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Clark Wood Says—

"The difference between stabilization and speculation depends a good deal on whether wheat futures are bought by the farm board or sold by the board."

The Oregon State Market Agent observes that inspectors of the department of agriculture of the state of Iowa recently made a survey to ascertain the extent to which oleomargarine and other substitutes are taking the place of butter among consumers, and the report declares that in 401 stores of nine counties of the state 56 per cent of the people use butter and 44 per cent use oleo. Considering the farmers separately they find about the same ratio. A newspaper item noted a few days ago recited the case of a woman from a farm selling a package of her butter to a grocery store and buying five pounds of oleo to take home with her, but this particular case was not in Oregon. The practice is hardly conducive to dairy prosperity. Possibly it is not general in this state.

Better results for the grower in marketing potatoes will accrue if they are clean and properly packed, is inferred from action recently taken by the American Fruit and Vegetable Shippers at their annual meeting in Chicago. Motion was adopted that the secretary take up with the various state departments of agriculture requesting them in turn to find ways and means of reaching the various growers and shippers of potatoes in their state, urging them to lend their best efforts and interests toward shipping clean potatoes free from dirt and that each package be branded indicating clearly the quality of the potatoes contained therein.

One of our exchanges explains that an outgrowth of a better food service idea has been the development of a process which it is contemplated will in the near future open up an entirely new method of food distribution. Perishable foods will be frozen at a temperature of 50 degrees below zero, so quickly that cell-destroying ice crystals will have no time to form, thus retaining the original freshness of the food. It is claimed that berries, fish and vegetables can be transported in this form across the continent in perfect condition as soon as distributing facilities are provided.

If the attack on Senator McNary by Oregon lumbermen continues, one of the most disastrous splits in the republican party organization in this state will be the result. McNary is especially strong in Eastern Oregon and his supporters here are sure to retaliate to the bitter end by opposing any candidate brought out to defeat the Senator at this time.

The baseball world is beginning to bore in. Back east the code for college games stresses courtesy. By this is meant, we suppose, the better shaking hands with the catcher when he advances to the plate and stopping to salute the waver of the mask before starting for first base on a safe hit—and the pitcher hugs his arms each time a strike is called.

Mexico City has a newspaper, The Excelsior, which proposes to exclude crime news from its columns. Explaining its attitude, The Excelsior says that news of crime "only gives a city a sordid aspect, and presents a distasteful picture to tourists," but we are of the opinion that this Mexican editor has been reading about Chicago.

An epochal event transpired in Walker county Saturday, when Governor Nichols dedicated the Vale diversion dam by uncorking the first volume of water in the canal which will irrigate the first 4000-acre unit of the Vale 30,000-acre project.

Sydney Franklin, American manager, further established his popularity with Madrid bull ring fans, when he was poked through the thigh by an enraged bull. Next to seeing the bull killed, the Spaniards delight in goring a maimed bullfighter.

Virtually snuffed from his native land, General Primo de Rivera, ex-dictator of Spain, died suddenly in a Paris hotel. Lying in power only two months ago, broken in health as well as spirit, he sought rest in France—and found it.

British Columbia is "singing pretty." She lets it be known that tourists from this side of the line have increased the profits of her

government liquor stores that the price is going to be cut. But why cut the price?

A Californian handled a bandit just right the other night. He poked the holdup artist in the eye with his thumb, grabbed the thug's gun and killed him with it. More of the same would make traveling after dark much safer.

Before purchasing, motorists are paying more attention to what is under the paint of a car. As a result there are more than 6,000,000 all-steel automobile bodies on passenger cars in America.

The Milton-Freewater Co-operative met recently and reported a very satisfactory year for the members. The organization shipped 50 carloads of apples last year, with pleasing returns.

The automobile speed goal is set at 250 miles per hour for the Daytona Beach record this year. And the pace of it, the windcrackers down there believe that it can be done.

Los Angeles has something to offer tourists besides earthquakes and fiascos. They have added cyclones to their repertory down there.

A Tennessee judge has decreed that carrying booze in the tummy is legal.

The KITCHEN CABINET

"Spring with that careless pathos in the air which dwells with all things fair. Spring with her golden curls and silver rain. Is with us once again."

THIS AND THAT IN COOKERY

Apples are so commonly found in all markets, so wholesome as a fruit and so popular as a food, we find new ways of serving them most welcome.

Pierrot Apples—Pare and core six large cooking apples, cut into eighths. Make a syrup with one cupful of water and cook gently until they are nearly done. Add two tablespoonsful of butter and finish cooking. Now add one cupful of rich cream, stir to mix and pour into a glass dish, grate nutmeg over the top and serve just warm.

Fried Apple Pudding—Line a buttered pudding dish with strips of sponge cake (cut one-half inch thick) which have been dipped into milk and scented lightly in melted butter. Cut core, pared apples into rings and cook them in the butter. Place half of the apple rings in the lined dish and spread over them one-half cupful of strawberry preserves or jam with plenty of the syrup. Repeat and top with more cake. Bake one-half hour, turn out, sprinkle with sugar and serve with cream.

Apples With Cheese—Cut circles of white bread one-fourth inch thick, dip into melted butter then roll in grated cheese. Place half on a buttered baking dish. Cover with strips of core apples. Bake in a hot oven and serve sizzling hot.

Chicken Cordon—Chop cooked chicken, stir in a thick white sauce, add one beaten egg, and cook stirring constantly; pour into custard cups, sprinkle with buttered crumbs and brown delicately.

Prepare some biscuit sandwiches by rolling out the biscuit dough thinner than usual, spread one with chopped, seasoned ham and cover with another. Bake until well browned. Cheese or any other filling may be used. Grated maple sugar, peanut butter are some other fillings which are worth trying.

Cucumber sauce is especially good with fish. A very small cucumber will, when grated and seasoned with grated onion, a little lemon juice and plenty of mayonnaise, make a most tasty sauce.

Nellie Maxwell

Harry L. Corbett
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NUISANCES!
(Oregon Journal)

Now comes a tirade of abuse of the United States senate on account of the activities of senate investigating committees. A contemporary has this to say of them:

"Senate investigations rarely contribute anything to good legislation or good administration, but they obstruct public business and cause men of ability and integrity to shun public office. They are usually instigated and conducted by senators who are afflicted with a morbid suspicion that all men in public office and private business are either crooks or fools. Senate investigations have degenerated to a public nuisance."

Was the senate investigating committee which brought to light the activities of sinister lobbies and which took a tariff lobbyist out of the secret meeting of the senate committee working on the tariff a "public nuisance?"

Is the senate committee which has unearthed a deplorable condition in the federal power commission, a committee whose action moved President Hoover to ask for a change, and a committee whose work may protect the public from millions of dollars in excess charges, a "public nuisance"? Maybe, but if so, give us more "public nuisances!"

Then there was a senate committee which investigated some oil land transactions a few years ago. As a result of its activity the people of the United States are now in control of hundreds of millions' worth of oil lands which had passed from their control through fraud. Perhaps it, too, was a "public nuisance."

Another senate committee went into the matter of the administration of the alien property custodian's office. As a result the alien property custodian went to the penitentiary instead of being paid a large salary in a high government position.

Another committee investigated the department of justice. As a result Mr. Daugherty was removed from office by the president of the United States.

Another went into the matter of the administration of the veterans' bureau under Mr. Forbes. Mr. Forbes went to the penitentiary instead of continuing to betray his high trust. Maybe those committees, too, were "public nuisances," but the American public will hardly agree with those who say so.

And, peculiarly enough, those committees which sent so many high officials either into private life or to the penitentiary and which saved so many millions of dollars to the people of the United States were at that time attacked vehemently from the same sources from which the committees of this day are criticized as "public nuisances."

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Real Estate
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Remodeling the House

(Tum-A-Lum Service)

Modernization work done on a run-down home in a Western city recently increased the selling value of the house more than \$1,000.00 over what it cost to have it remodeled.

Although the house, of frame construction, was more than 40 years old it was found that the lumber in it was still sound, and that all it needed was a general reshaping and the installation of modern conveniences to make it an attractive up-to-date home. Athena has many homes of the same general nature, which could be modernized far more easily than was this old home. The number and extent of changes made, however, indicate the possibilities of modernizing.

The house was given new wood exterior sidewalls, and western red cedar shingles were put right on over the old shingle roof. Placing the new shingles on top of the old ones gave the house an additional layer of insulation, thereby lowering the cost of keeping it heated to a comfortable temperature, likewise making it cooler in summer. This process also saved the expense of removing the old shingles and removing the litter. It is a practice which has proved entirely practical and which is steadily gaining in favor.

The entire front room was removed. Ceiling of the lower rooms were dropped to provide sufficient space for arrangement of two spacious bedrooms and bath in what formerly was the attic. An entire partition was removed and one built in. A bedroom that formerly was dark was converted into a large well-lighted living room. A new hallway was built from the kitchen to a rear bedroom, a combination wash and dressing room in the basement.

An artistic stairway now leads to the upstairs rooms, and the old floors are covered with shining new wood floors. New woodwork, new walls and paneled ceilings add to the charm of the interior. The old kitchen, which formerly was dark and drab and without conveniences, now considered essential, was converted into an attractive workshop for a housewife.

Although the exterior and the interior now look like new construction, no changes were made in the foundation, floor or sidewalk and roof construction other than the overlaying of new material.

Any old wood home can be modernized just as effectively as was this antiquated house.

North Central Champions
North Central high school of Spokane won the University of Washington state high school basketball championship for the second time in three years by defeating the strong Walla Walla quintet 29 to 25 at St. Albans. It was the final game of the three-day tournament. North Central conquered Foster, 25 to 14, and Walla Walla defeated Everett, 30 to 14, in the semi-finals to earn the right to vie for the championship.

Tum-A-Lum Tickler

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Editorial
Local fishermen are complaining that oil is bad for fish, which possibly explains the worried expression we have noticed on the faces of sealines.

A. M. Johnson, Editor
The Literary Digest's poll on prohibition shows the wets ahead but then the returns are mostly from New York and Chicago. Just wait until we Americans get a vote.

There are a lot of substitutes being used in building that are taking the place of wood but there never has been anything to properly take the place of a wood shingle applied in the woodshed.

The hand that rocks the cradle confuses the world when it is stuck out to signal for a turn. Buy a Home.
A MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE WIVES
While you are in the midst of Spring Cleaning why not think of making needed alterations and repairs on your old home? A bit of architectural planning by the Tum-A-Lum, a few inexpensive additions and changes in your old home will sometimes transform it from a shabby, unattractive shack into a home of comfort, charm, and value. It will cost you nothing to inquire about our plans of remodeling and financing.

No. Panatrops, the Volstead Act is not in vaunderlie.
Monday was a gift day for the Irish. St. Patrick cleaned up the Emerald Isle and gave us a day to either wear green or look natural.
"Agnes, you don't love me and since you'll never love me, there's only one thing I can do. I'll kill myself."
"I'll shoot myself."
"Then won't you be so kind as to buy the revolver in James' hardware store. James is my friend, and I would like to help him whenever possible."
This is also our idea, buy at home whenever possible.

23 Years Ago

Friday, March 22, 1907

Miss Mae Gross is visiting friends in Walla Walla, this week. Geo. Kidder and family have moved into the Hiteman residence on Sixth street recently vacated by Mr. Banker.

The Stahl Brewing Malt Company, of Walla Walla, will apply to the council on Wednesday, April 24, for a license to sell liquor in the "Corner" saloon building.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Berlin took last night's train for Hot Lake, where Mrs. Berlin, who is afflicted with the rheumatism, will remain until a permanent cure is effected.

David Leach and family passed through town on their way from Morrow county, Oregon, to Adams county, Wash., this week. They visited over Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Russell in this city.

Mayor Plamondon has postponed cleaning up days in Athena to Wednesday and Thursday April 10 and 11. It is thought that by getting the cleaning days off until those dates, the weather will have settled so that rubbish and debris may be raked up and burned.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Barrett and little son will leave in a short time for Tacoma, where they will make their home. Mr. Barrett will enter into the business of his profession, that of building and contracting. Athena will be sorry to lose this estimable couple.

Henry and Everett, aged 7 and 5 respectively, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Knight of this city, became lost yesterday and caused much anxiety and worry until news reached town last night, that they were at the Hailey place, 14 miles west of Athena. Ed Knight went down after the little fellows and brought them home. They explained their long absence by saying that they were coming home all the while. The oldest boy pushed a bicycle wheel the entire distance and a faithful dog accompanied the pair on their pilgrimage.

James H. Banks, who has been an invalid for several years at the home of his sister, Mrs. Dickenson died at the home of his brother, H. P. Banks in Dayton, Washington, Wednesday morning.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Scott March 15, 1907, a daughter.

Herbert Manasse and Sheldon Taylor drove down to Pendleton this morning.

P. D. Mann, the hair blacksmith has leased the Spencer shop and will engage in business in Athena.

Little Jeanette Miller fell against a hot stove Wednesday, with the result that the left side of her face was severely burned.

Mrs. Lester O'Hara came over from Weston yesterday and brought her household possessions, which are now installed in the Willaby cottage on Current street. Lester now feels more at home in our city.

O. G. Chamberlain left Tuesday for Goldendale, Klickitat county. He will return in a few days with several head of work horses, and later, with his family will go to Twin Falls, Idaho, where he has a tract of land.

Miss Nellie Slope is up from Pendleton visiting her mother. She will leave the last of the week for Neacham.

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The above rates apply when bills are paid in full within 10 days from date of bill. Otherwise, the rate will be increased by 10 per cent on each item.
Commercial Rates
First 100 KWH used per month...10c per KWH
Next 200...7c per KWH
Next 300...6c per KWH
Next 400...5c per KWH
Next 1000...4c per KWH
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