

VALLEY CREAMERY BUTTER IMPROVES EXPERT DECLARES

Samples Tested At Session Here—Bowman Awarded Cream Judging Prize.

That southern Oregon creameries are making a very excellent grade of butter which compares favorably with any other section of the state and shows great improvement over a few years ago, was the opinion expressed last night by Dr. G. H. Wilster of the dairy manufacturing department of Oregon State college, at the completion of the butter scoring contest held at the Hotel Medford yesterday.

Butter samples from about 50 Oregon butter plants were scored upon flavor, aroma, texture and color with the southern and eastern part of the state represented by entries from Burns, Klaskanin Falls, Grants Pass, Ashland and Medford. Although these educational butter scoring contests are held each month, under the direction of the state college, the state department of agriculture and the commercial creameries of the state, this is the first time that the test has been brought to southern Oregon. About 35 creamery managers and butter makers were interested spectators at yesterday's contest, which was judged by H. C. Raven and R. E. Cavedt, Portland; J. D. Mickle and L. S. Leach, of the state department of agriculture, Salem; and Dr. Wilster, Corvallis.

The highest score, the results of which are confidential to the individual creameries, was 93.5, with the average about 91.5, which is considered an excellent showing.

In the cream judging contest, first awards went to L. H. Pickett, Grants Pass creamery, and P. W. Bowman, Medford. An informal dinner arranged by R. G. Fowler, county agent, was held last evening at the Hotel Medford. Among those who gave short talks were Frank Moser, Corvallis, president of the Butter and Ice Cream Makers' association; Paul G. Adams, secretary of the Oregon Dairy Council, Portland; Dr. Wilster, Mr. Raven, Mr. Mickle and Mr. Leach. The date of the annual meeting was announced for February 19-22 at Corvallis.

STORES OPEN ON SATURDAY TO 8:30

The retail stores will remain open until 8:30 p. m. only on Saturday preceding Christmas. It was announced yesterday by John Moffatt, chairman of the Chamber of Commerce committee of the Chamber of Commerce, after a ballot had been taken from the majority of the stores of the city.

"Some stores wish to remain open until 8:30 for three days before Christmas and others for a longer period but the majority rule will prevail," stated Mr. Moffatt.

The result of the voting was as follows: 60 per cent wished to remain open Saturday only; 33 per cent desired three days; 5 per cent four days, and 2 per cent one week. All merchants are asked to cooperate with the majority and remain open late on Saturday only, it was announced by Mr. Moffatt.

3 HELD IN BEEF AND BOOZE CASE

The remains of a beef stolen several weeks ago from the Nichols and Ashpole slaughter house was found in four dozen quart jars, by city and state police, and as a result, three men are being held in jail, awaiting further investigation of the case. John Weedman, 38, one of the trio, also had 19 gallons of whiskey confiscated by the officers, because it did not have a distiller's tax.

Weedman was arrested Saturday morning at No. 2 Adams lane, Albert P. Nichols, 33, and Robert Coke, 18, who reside on Boss Lane were also jailed, the latter being arrested downtown Friday evening.

Charges are to be filed Monday against the trio, according to police.

Christmas Cards.
Time is getting short to get Christmas and New Year greeting cards. Order now. See the choice line to select from at Mail Tribune Job Department. Prices reasonable.

Speaks Today



REV. SAUL BENJAMIN, Full Gospel Missionary here from Transjordan, attired in Arabic costume.

Reverend Saul Benjamin, a Full Gospel Missionary from Transjordan and Palestine, will this evening give an address at the Full Gospel church, 11 Newtown street, concerning his mission work in that country. Reverend Benjamin is stationed at EsSalt, in Transjordan.

This morning he is speaking at the Full Gospel church in Ashland. Saturday evening he showed a number of slides at the Full Gospel church, all of which dealt with the work in the mission fields there.

Reverend Benjamin has been stationed in Palestine for the past five years, having been educated in the United States. He came to this country in 1921 from Perata, where he was born and reared.

BARNWELL NAMED CCC. COMMANDER MEDFORD SECTION

Official announcement of the appointment of Captain Charles H. Barnwell Jr. as district commander for the Medford CCC's, has been received at headquarters here from Major General Mallin Craig of the Ninth corps area. Captain Barnwell succeeds Major Clarence H. Armstrong, who is in Letterman General hospital at San Francisco.

A number of changes will be made in the district headquarters with Captain Barnwell's position as executive officer and inspector being taken by Captain Harold E. Stow, who has been public relations, welfare and signal officer. Captain Barnwell B. McMahon, will report to headquarters December 26 to fill the vacancy left by Captain Stow's change. Captain McMahon has been in charge of Applegate camp since its establishment.

Lieutenant Harry J. Harpel of Camp Carberry and Captain Miron J. Rockwell of Fort Ordoff camp, have been ordered to return to their regular stations at Fort Lewis. Lieutenant Harpel will be succeeded by Lieutenant B. C. King, coast artillery reserve, from Cottage Grove, and Captain Albert T. Anderson, infantry reserve, from Astoria will succeed Captain Rockwell.

The latter changes, according to Captain Stow, are in line with the governmental policy that all regular army men in charge of camps, will be returned to their posts before Christmas. This leaves eight reserve officers and two regular navy men in charge of the ten camps in the Medford district.

Obituary

William Charles Spellman
William Charles Spellman died at the Sacred Heart hospital Friday evening of plural pneumonia, after a short illness, at the age of 64 years. He was a native of Iowa and resident of 53 Myers street. For ten years he operated a dairy and was a resident of Medford for the past 25 years. He leaves two children, Howard Spellman of Medford and Irene Spellman of Crowstags, Ore. Funeral services will be held at the Perl Funeral Home, Monday at 10:30 a. m. Rev. N. D. Wood officiating. Interment in Siskiyou Memorial park.

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 16.—(AP)—
Pope Pius today ordered a general pay cut for churchmen and church employees in the Vatican City and Rome effective Jan. 1.

ZANE GREY SAYS NO LAND RACKET IN ROGUE CLAIM

Writer Declares He Conscientiously Mined Property This Section While Fishing.

Zane Grey, the writer, has issued a statement denying a published charge made by officials of the United States forest service that he used land racketeering methods in obtaining title to property on the Rogue river in southern Oregon.

The statement follows recent publication in the Sacramento papers of charges made by the forest service officials that obsolete mining laws are permitting a growing racket in the grabbing of valuable land through fake mining claims.

Tells of Own Patent
In his statement, Grey says: "My objection, expressed in an article by me published in 1930, to the ease with which land patents were obtained was justified because of my experience and difficulty in understanding to legitimately obtain a patent on Winkle Bar.

Conscientiously Mined
"Winkle Bar was conscientiously mined by my employes at a great cost to me when gold was selling at \$20.98 per ounce, which I found would not net me a sufficient amount to pay expenses. Now that gold has increased in value to where it is profitable to carry on a mining project of this kind I am negotiating with parties for the exploration of mines on Winkle Bar.

"The criticism which I have been subjected to is manifestly unfair for the reason, among others, that I spent \$8,400.20 employing labor from that vicinity to develop the property which otherwise would have remained undeveloped. Any individual who elected to secure a patent on this property could have done so by improving the property to the extent of \$100 per year for five years, at the end of which time they would have been granted a patent to the property.

Permitted Fishing
"It is true that I did enjoy visiting my Rogue river property. I enjoyed the fishing advantages and the other natural advantages which greatly aided me in gathering material for my stories. During the several times which I spent there, I did not confine myself to my property at Winkle Bar, but most of my time was spent on locations on the Rogue river outside of Winkle Bar.

"I have not at any time attempted to keep anyone from enjoying the fishing privileges on that part of the Rogue river which my property borders. I do not have a fence on either side of Winkle Bar nor do I intend to put one there. The river is free to all sportsmen who care to fish in it, and will always be so.

"I am not the only sportsman who has secured a mining patent on the Rogue river or other rivers, and why my name should be singled out to be attacked in this unjust manner I cannot see.

Created Value
"As far as fishing is concerned,

BURCH COMMITTEE ON MINING MAPS FUTURE PROGRAMS

The mining committee of the Chamber of Commerce, recently organized by Albert Burch, held its first meeting last week and outlined a program for future activities. It was announced by Chamber of Commerce officials yesterday.

The program in general will be confined to three definite objectives: (1) To encourage legitimate mining; (2) To discourage illegitimate mining; and, (3) To advertise the mining possibilities here by giving only the true facts.

Mining articles will be prepared for publication in the newspapers from time to time under the direction of A. E. Rehmes and Earl Tunny and subcommittees have been set up by Mr. Burch covering other phases of the work to be attempted.

It is believed that money is available for mining properties and, in order to be acquainted with the facts to present to possible investors and also as a means of tabulating a list of mines in this territory, blank questionnaires have been prepared which are available to those who have mining properties.

One questionnaire is for placer mines property only, and the other covers lode mines and prospects. These questionnaires when returned, properly filled out, will be placed before the mining committee and a subcommittee will look over the property in order to make a thorough examination. With this work completed the committee will then be in a position to know those mines in Jackson county which can be recommended to prospective investors and it is believed by Chamber of Commerce officials that those mines with pay ore can be publicized through the proper channels.

Judge Day to Talk To Kiwanis Monday

County Judge Earl B. Day will be speaker Monday noon at the meeting of the Kiwanis club at the Hotel Medford. He will tell all about the special session of the legislature and the new bills, which have become laws.

James Stevens, popular local baritone, will sing one of the best programs of the year is expected. Any person interested in hearing the talk by Judge Day and the special Christmas music, is invited to attend the meeting.

I could always have fished on the Rogue river without spending the amount of money which Winkle Bar cost me, but I felt that the property was good mining property, and I still feel that it is good mining property, and that some day when I can afford to develop it that it will be profitable to me as such.

"That was not the only consideration which encouraged me to acquire this property. I felt that I owed the country, which had given me pleasure and about which I had written, a debt which could be paid by developing the property which had obviously no value to any of the people in that vicinity as it had been standing for years and years uninhabited, with the possible exception of being occasionally occupied by an individual who had temporarily selected this bar to live on."

Kiddies' Community Christmas Tree Coupon

If you wish to attend the big Christmas Party sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, fill out this coupon and mail to the chairman of the tree committee, care Medford Chamber of Commerce or deposit in the box in the Chamber of Commerce Building. This party is for kiddies of 10 years of age and under. . . If you have any little brothers, sisters or friends who wish to attend, enter their names and ages. Fill out this coupon NOW!

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CWA. PAY CHECK FOR WEEK \$8,081

Still more money to boost Christmas buying in Medford went into circulation yesterday, when the Civil Works Administration payroll was met for another week. The United States treasury warrants totaled \$8081.35 and were divided among 585 persons.

There were 694 people working under the program yesterday, staying out on the new week. The original total of 609 men, announced for this district, having been boosted by 85 about the middle of the week.

YULE SEAL SALE GAINS MOMENTUM

The local tuberculosis Christmas seal sale campaign was reported in full swing yesterday with many people purchasing the little seals, which carry a cheerful message to the world. Although the contributions are smaller in many cases this year, they come from many more homes, the committee stated. And all donations are appreciated, however small they are.

The schools in Jackson county are doing much to aid the campaign. Interest is particularly high in the Prospect district, where seven cases of tuberculosis have been treated through the discovery of the county nurse. The seven people, through the efforts of the local health campaign, have been placed in hospitals and the state sanitarium for treatment.

W. W. Allen Attends Dodge Dealer Meet

W. W. Allen and L. C. Taylor, of the Pierce-Allen Motor Co., Inc., local Dodge dealer, left last night for San Francisco to attend a meeting of Dodge Brothers automobile dealers at the Fairmont hotel, Monday. The new 1934 Dodge automobile will be on display and 1934 selling plans will be discussed, according to Mr. Allen. They will return Tuesday night.

Autographed photos of Jack Dempsey at the Shanghi studio only 50c.

Notice.
Ladies, get the new contract bridge score cards, with instructions printed thereon, 10c for 25, at Commercial Printing Dept. Mail Tribune, 28 North Grape.

FORMER RESIDENT OF VALLEY DIES IN AUTO MISHAP

The sad news of the accidental death of Mrs. B. R. Porter of Corvallis, formerly of the Rogue River valley, was reported here yesterday by her son, Stewart Porter. Mrs. Porter, a resident of Oregon for 60 years, was killed as she was crossing the west side Pacific highway near her home when struck by an auto driven by Fred C. Ritner of Salem. She was 82 years of age and last March 12 had celebrated with Mr. Porter their sixtieth wedding anniversary.

The Porters are well known in southern Oregon, having owned the Table Rock orchard, now the property of Shelby Tuttle, for a number of years. They sold the orchard to Col. R. C. Washburn in 1905, when they moved to Central Point. In 1911, they left the Rogue River valley for Corvallis, where they had since made their home.

Mrs. Porter was Mary Jane Anderson before her marriage. In 1873 she was married to Baxter R. Porter in Mason City, Iowa. The couple came to Oregon and pioneered in the eastern part of the state. They had been residents of Corvallis since 1911. Mrs. Porter was actively affiliated with the Evangelical church and was prominent in the Women's Relief Corps. Surviving with the husband are two daughters, Mrs. Myrtle Jennings of Roseburg and Mrs. Margaret Reed of Burns; two sons, Harry B. Porter of Corvallis and Stewart Porter of Medford; 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Capone Gets Break

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 16.—(AP)—Federal Judge E. Marvin Underwood today granted Al Capone, former Chicago gang chieftan, the right to appeal to the fifth district court of appeals in New Orleans from Judge Underwood's recent decision denying Capone's freedom on a writ of habeas corpus based on the statute of limitations.

Notice.
Late appropriate presents for Christmas. Initial and personal stationery, printed or lithographed cards for men or women, with or without leather card cases, six lead pencils and ruler in leather case with coin pocket, name printed in gold on each pencil and case, all for \$1.00. Commercial Printing Dept. Mail Tribune, 28 N. Grape St.

FOREST OFFICER HELD FOR THEFT

Lieutenant James L. Combs, supervisor for a CCC camp in the Eugene district, was arrested in Yreka, Calif., Friday, and returned to Medford that evening, on information from Roseburg where a warrant has been issued for his arrest, charging him with larceny from a factory and a dwelling.

Lieutenant Combs was charged with having stolen several hundred dollars worth of goods from a leather factory in Roseburg. He was returned to Medford, where he was held in the county jail over night. Sergeant Ralph Quine of the Oregon state police and Sheriff Percy Webb of Douglas county took him on north Saturday.

Skinner Attends Buick Meeting

R. A. Skinner, owner of Skinner's Garage and local Buick dealer, left for Portland today to attend a dealer's meeting to make arrangements to introduce the new 1934 Buick. Mr. Skinner will make an announcement as soon as he returns to Medford.

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