

Oregon Representatives Study Stronger Rules on Fluid Milk

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Salem—(U.P.)—A measure designed to strengthen regulations concerning fluid milk—sold in bottles and cans—is expected to come to the floor of the House some time next week for the second time.

It is back in the House Food and Dairying Committee headed by Rep. Leon S. Davis (R-Hillsboro) for consideration of a motion to continue the marketing of grade B fluid milk. In its original form, House Bill 124 would have excluded all fluid milk for retail sale except grade A milk. An amendment now being studied would repeal only the provision permitting sale of grade C milk.

Under the proposed amendment, both A and B grade milk would be legal, but the same bacterial standard would apply to both grades; also, final delivery containers for both grades of milk would have to be automatically filled and mechanically capped.

The grade A phase of this bill is a request understood to originate with the dairy industry; other features of the bill are largely corrective legislation and are proposals of the State Department of Agriculture which administers the fluid milk act.

Here's what other sections of the bill would do:

1. Give the department specific authority to ask for an injunction to restrain persons from violating either the fluid milk act or the dairy products act. The dairy products plant act deals with manufactured dairy items. It would prohibit persons from continuing to violate either act between the time a complaint was signed and a court decision handed down.

2. Three sections would give the department authority to condemn dairy equipment, including producer-owned milk and cream cans which are in bad repair and unfit for use.

3. It would apply to fluid milk the same requirements for weighing, sampling and testing to determine butterfat as now apply to manufacturing milk. It would also require fluid milk plants to have a state-licensed pasteurizer operator supervise pasteurization operations. These two matters simply pick up requirements inadvertently left out of the fluid milk act when the dairy products plant act was amended in 1953.

4. Another section would tighten up the law relating to adulteration of milk by adding water.

5. It would add to the fluid milk act a definition for a non-processing distributor and bring him under licensing provisions. In other words, a license would be required of a milk peddler, or one who distributes under his own label milk which he neither produces nor processes.

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LARRY'S EVIE—Shown above is Larry's Evie, a registered hereford heifer, which will be awarded to a 4-H club member or Future Farmers of America member on March 17 at the annual Cal-Ore Hereford association sale, to be held at the Jackson county fairgrounds. The heifer, valued at \$350, was raised by John and Edyth Bohnert at their Seven Oaks Hereford ranch near Central Point.

Cal-Ore Hereford Sale Scheduled Here on Thursday

The annual Cal-Ore Hereford association sale will be held Thursday, March 17, at the Jackson county fairgrounds.

Fifty head of purebred herefords consigned will be shown on March 16 starting at 1 p.m. The sale will start at 11 a.m. March 17, with Ontario auctioneer Ellis White in charge. Dick Richards, Warren, Ore., will act as judge.

A purebred hereford heifer calf will be awarded by the hereford breeders association to an active 4-H club or Future Farmers of America member.

The heifer, Larry's Evie, was raised by John and Edyth Bohnert, Central Point, at their Seven Oaks Hereford ranch. The animal is a registered hereford valued at \$350.

Members of 4-H clubs or FFA must register with their parents or guardians prior to start of the sale, and contestant can be residents of any part of the west. This is the second year in which a calf has been awarded as part of the sale.

Mamie's Health Not Issue, Butler Says

Detroit—(U.P.)—Democratic National Chairman Paul M. Butler said Saturday he never intended to make a national issue of Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower's health and that it "certainly" will not be a campaign issue.

"This whole thing has just become a battle of words that is much ado about nothing," Butler said at a press conference.

"I never intended to make a national issue of Mrs. Eisenhower's health," he said. "A few days ago someone asked me the perpetual question—if I think President Eisenhower will run for a second term—and I cited the health of the President's wife as one of the many reasons why I think he will not."

The Democratic leader added that "it was my own personal belief that Mr. Eisenhower would not seek a second term."

It is important for every worker to be sure that his employer reports his wages under the correct name and social security number.

Ships Must Give 24-Hour Notice To Coast Guardsmen

Washington—(U.P.)—Beginning Saturday, all ships must give 24 hour advance notice before entering U.S. seaports, the Coast Guard announced.

A Coast Guard spokesman said the new order, part of the port security program, was not prompted by any emergency situation. He said most ships already give the 24 hour notice voluntarily and that the new order is designed to improve the security program's operation.

Ships already must clear with the Coast Guard when entering the United States under the 4 year old security program. The advance notice, the spokesman said, will help avoid delay in clearing ships when they appear at the harbor entrance.

Failure to give the notice may result in fines or imprisonment for a ship's master or its agents, or could lead to seizure of the ship.

The order does not apply to vessels operating in the Great Lakes.

U.S. Holding Out on Island Withdrawals

Seattle—(U.P.)—Robert D. Murphy, deputy Undersecretary of State, said Friday it was "doubtful" Britain's suggestion that Nationalist China abandon its coastal islands would serve the cause of peace.

The United States thus appeared to be holding out against any plan to get Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to pull his Nationalist troops out of Quemoy, Matsu and other islands just off the China mainland.

Eden Backs Plan
British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden called for such a move Tuesday as a step toward settling the Formosa fighting.

Murphy said the United States wants to obtain a cease-fire between Nationalist and Red China as other nations do.

"But," he said, "it is doubtful that the suggestion of the surrender to the Chinese Communists of further coastal positions would serve either the cause of peace or the cause of freedom."

Murphy said in an address delivered at the opening dinner of the Washington State International Trade Fair Friday night that the Chinese Reds have been "the initiators of violence in the area."

He said the Communists have boasted repeatedly that they intend to conquer Formosa and that they consider the coastal islands as stepping stones to that objective.

At an earlier press conference Friday, Murphy said trade relations between Russia and Red China eventually could lead to a break between the two powerful Communist nations.

He said both the Russians and Chinese are shrewd traders, particularly the Chinese who "know when they are being done in."

Murphy said Red China is not receiving military aid from Russia as a gift, and the Communist Chinese were undoubtedly paying for it in some form, probably in raw materials.

Pope Goes Through Elaborate Ritual

Vatican City—(U.P.)—Pope Pius XII went through the elaborate ritual of a major Vatican ceremony marking the 16th anniversary of his coronation Saturday without displaying more than slight weariness.

Observers here considered the 79-year-old Pontiff's endurance as evidence of his recovery from a recent illness.

Borne shoulder-high on the golden gestatorial chair and wearing the three-tiered papal crown, Pope Pius led a procession into the 15th century Sistine Chapel.

He stood and knelt alternately all through a long high mass.

When the Pope appeared before 5,000 pilgrims at his study window high above St. Peter's Square after the ceremony he appeared only slightly tired.

The one indication of the strain of the 96-minute ceremony was that he used his left hand to bless the crowd—and did not speak the blessing.

Firemen's Ball Set At Phoenix; History Of Department Told

Phoenix—The annual firemen's ball sponsored by the Phoenix Fire association will be held in the Phoenix Community hall the evening of Thursday, March 17, according to members of the department.

Proceeds from the dance will be used for the purchase of equipment for the department, and improvement of the operation. Bobby Champion and his Melody Wranglers will furnish the music.

Dancing will start at 9 p.m. C. L. Robbins, chief of the department, outlined the long history of the department in announcing the dance.

The first piece of fire fighting equipment in Phoenix was purchased and placed in use in 1911—or 44 years ago. Warren King was named chief at that time. On the first trial run of the equipment—a hose cart—most of the members of the department lost interest in the practice run due to the extreme difficulty they experienced in negotiating a five degree incline to the scene of the fire, the chief said.

Some of the members in those days were R. S. (Bob) Furry, Harry Reames, Robert Waterman and W. L. (Dave) Smith.

In 1927, a Chevrolet 1½ ton truck equipped with chemical tanks was purchased. Among the fire chiefs who served with this equipment were Walter (Jack) Allen, Harry Reames and Fred Holcraft.

In 1944, a volunteer fire department was organized on a formal basis through the efforts of F. L. Tripp and Floyd Barrett. Tripp was named fire chief, and Bob Furry was assistant chief. Members included Ralph Roberts, Raymond Furry, Pres Turpin, Earl Briscoe, H. Prince, Eddie Caldwell, Warren Fitch and Ernie Bolz.

A used pumper truck was purchased from the city of Medford in 1947. It was equipped with a 500-gallon pump. John Gee was fire chief at that time, and a year later Glen Peterson succeeded him.

The present Phoenix Fire association was formed in 1950, with Frank Lovett as president and Vincent Clafin secretary and treasurer. Robbins was named chief at this time, and Edwin Caldwell was made assistant chief. Both still serve in these capacities.

Class A Rating
In 1951 a new Ford-Hale 600-

gallon pumper was purchased. It is also equipped with 500 gallon reservoir tanks. The department now has a Class A rating with insurance underwriters, denoting that the equipment is in excellent condition.

Robbins said that it is through the cooperation of "fire-minded" Phoenix citizens that the department has been able to function as efficiently as it has, with proper equipment to do the job.

The present strength of the department is 15 men. They are Robbins, chief; Caldwell, assistant chief; Lovett, captain; Leo Bolke, lieutenant; and Leo Furry, Russell Davis, Bob Randles, Dell Hain, John Cook, John Klassen, Mike Popow, Dan Foxworthy, Charles Bandy, Otto Caster and Harlan Glasscock.

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Red Subs May Try To Convoy Tanker To Chinese Port

Taipei—(U.P.)—Chinese Nationalist sources speculated Saturday that Communist submarines may attempt to escort a Finnish tanker loaded with jet plane fuel, through the Nationalist blockade to a Red China port.

Authoritative Nationalist sources said Friday that the Nationalist navy has been ordered to make every possible effort to intercept the tanker "Aruba" and prevent delivery of the jet fuel.

American Air Force sources said the tankers' 13,000 tons of high grade kerosene are enough to fuel Chinese Communist jets for 5,000 missions against Formosa.

Belief that the Reds might attempt to bring the tanker through the Nationalist blockade under submarine escort were based on intelligence reports that the Communist Chinese have built a sizeable submarine base at Hainan island in the Gulf of Tonkin, off Indochina. Nationalist sources claim that Russian as well as Chinese Communist submarines are operating out of the Hainan base.

Fake Fire Plug Poses Puzzle for New York Police

New York—(U.P.)—Police pondered Saturday what charges, if any, they could file against restaurant owner Patrick Moriarty, the admitted culprit in the case of the vanishing fireplug.

Moriarty Friday admitted that it was his portable fire hydrant that almost made patrolman John Van Oosteron turn in his badge and seek a bed in the nearest psychiatric ward.

Moriarty said he got tired of seeing automobiles parked bumper to bumper in front of his place at night, making it difficult for his customers to alight safely from taxicabs.

To remedy the situation, he put a fake hydrant in front of his restaurant every night to keep cars from parking there.

The neat scheme exploded when Van Oosteron spotted an auto parked in front of the fire plug Wednesday night. The officer hung a ticket on the car and left, sure he had done his duty.

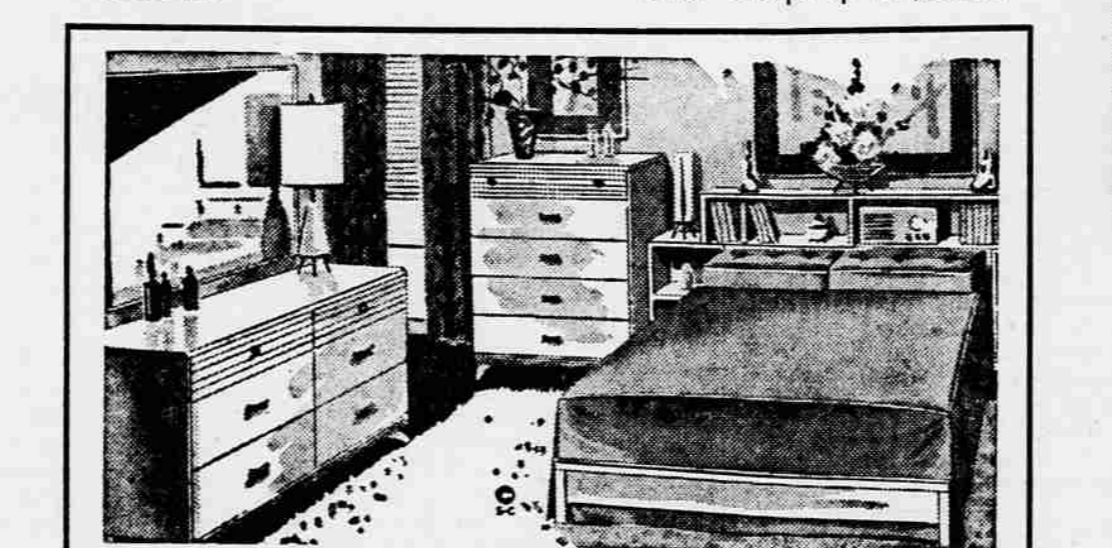
He did a fast double take upon returning later to find both auto and hydrant gone.

After considering both an eye doctor and a long rest, Van Oosteron decided to investigate. He took the fake plug to headquarters for investigation.

Shortly after that, Moriarty confessed.

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