

# Looking In on Congress From the House Gallery

## A CONGRESSMAN'S DAY

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Most people think that a congressman has a soft snap. Little work, big pay, bright lights, much society. I suppose I used to think so. I had seen the legislature at work, and I naturally supposed that such an important body as the congress would not work more continuously than does a state legislature. I had never seen much of the eastern part of the country, and when I came down here I found myself planning little week-end trips to New York, Atlantic City, New England and near-by places.

Society affairs are not on the daily program of many members. A few large receptions may be attended and a few dinners exchanged, but the average member wears his evening clothes, if he has any, less frequently in Washington than he does in his home town.

So it may be seen that a congressman, if he takes his job seriously, soon finds that in Washington he is just a plain, everyday workingman with a daily program full and complete.

### A CONGRESSMAN'S MAIL

A congressman's desk is full of mail and propaganda. What do the people write about? you ask.

Well, about almost everything under the sun. The congressman is the bureau of information for his district. He is the direct representative for his district of the great government at Washington to which all people turn when in need or distress.

Letters come favoring or opposing legislation; asking for information on every conceivable subject; asking for government aid in all sorts of enterprises; asking help to get people out of all sorts of difficulties and troubles; asking for information that will help boys and girls in debates; asking for decisions to help settle bets; asking for literature on all manner of subjects; asking for aid in getting post offices and rural routes established.

The homesteader seeks his congressman's assistance in land office matters. The old soldier and the soldier of later wars bring many problems to their congressman. The mothers of soldiers often have need of help in the way of delayed insurance adjustments, a discharge for the boy who enlisted under age, and occasionally help to get clemency for a boy in prison. The farmer asks for bulletins, agriculture year books, garden seed, rare field seed, farm loans and a variety of other things. One wrote in and asked for the loan of a government bull. They also write often about fence laws, road laws and high taxes on real estate—all with all of which the federal government has nothing to do.

Claims against the government produce much mail and some work. Some of the claims are recent and collectable, but many are for losses during the Civil war and before, and these, however just, are hard to do anything with at this late date.

Many people write urging larger appropriations for various departments of the government in which they or their communities are directly interested. Some urge greater appropriations and lower federal taxes at the same time.

Some letters refer to jobs the writers would like to obtain, but as a congressman has little influence in procuring jobs now since nearly all government positions have been but in the civil service, this class of letters does not crowd the desk.

There are many unclassified requests, such as one from the citizens of a certain town alleging that the citizens of another town had stolen their courthouse in the night and asking for its return through government agency.

**Propaganda is Plentiful.** Then there is the propaganda, which is in a class by itself. It comes from all quarters of the globe and covers all subjects relating to life, from birth control to government graveyards. It is delivered by wire, mail and messenger. It runs in volume from a telegram or post card to bound books. No subject is suggested in congress. It seems, that does not bring forth a shower of propaganda, and some subjects bring a deluge.

So you can see that a congressman's desk is apt to be full of mail. His office is quite a business institution. If he had no legislative duties to perform he would find his whole time well employed in taking care of the mail, and the requests for service which the mails bring in.

And withal let me say that a congressman likes to hear from home. He wants to be of service to his constituents. He courts the business, so to speak. He is proud of the big bunch of mail that comes in and is pleased to see a big bunch go out at the close of the day. A big mail indicates a close touch with home. Most members answer most letters. I have replied to every letter that has come to my office from Colorado, except one. That came from a sort of anarchist, I would judge. Anyway, I could hardly dictate a proper reply to a lady stenographer, so that single letter among the thousands went into the waste basket, unanswered.

**Scotch Thrift.** In a talk on thrift, a banker told a story about a Scotch farmer who, on frequent shopping trips in town, would hitch his horse on Main street, and having securely attached the feed bag would lift a hen from the wagon and tie her with a stout cord to one of the shafts. In such a manner that she would be able to pick up every bit of oats the horse might drop while wrestling with the feed bag.—Judge.

## AUGUST COW TESTING REPORT

Tillamook Cow Testing Association of Oregon. Report for month of August.

Paul Fitzpatrick, secretary. Peters & Hall, testers.  
August pounds of milk per cow, 714.  
August pounds of fat per cow, 30.78.  
Total number cows tested, 2579. No. 40 lb. cows, 369.

Owner	No. Cows	Aug. lbs. milk	Aug. lbs. fat
Homer Mason	15	735	37.64

Three high grade herds under 20 cows—			
Frank Lundburg	9	1112	51.34
Jim Lommer	15	1007	45.52
T. B. Wright	8	977	43.79

Three high grade herds, over 20 cows—			
Gus Wicklund	28	888	44.70
Hunt & Durrer	20	943	43.44
Durrer & Son	30	988	42.38

The high purebred cow was Bossy, a registered Jersey owned by Frank Lundburg of Nehalem. She produced 1153 lbs. of milk, containing 62.26 lbs. of fat.

The high grade cow was Blindy, a Jersey owned by Hunt & Durrer. She produced 1742 lbs. of milk containing 85.36 lbs. of fat.

### Roll of Honor

Owner	Name of Cow	Breed	Milk	Pct. Fat	Fat
Hunt & Durrer	Blindy	G. J.	1742	4.9	85.36
Hunt & Durrer	Bessie	G. G.	1113	5.7	63.44
Hunt & Durrer	Neglety	G. G.	1132	5.0	56.60
W. K. Scovell	No. 27	G. H.	1289	3.4	74.43
W. K. Scovell	No. 4	G. H.	1349	4.2	56.56
Frank Ligler	No. 24	G. J.	1649	4.3	70.91
Frank Ligler	No. 21	G. H.	1324	4.7	62.23
Pius Christen	Morning	G. H.	2192	3.2	70.14
Frank Lundburg	Daisy	J.	1438	4.6	66.15
Frank Lundburg	Bossy	R. J.	1153	5.4	62.26
Frank Lundburg	Rosy	G. J.	1153	5.0	67.65
E. M. Leonig	Buttercup	G. J.	1243	5.3	65.88
E. M. Leonig	Daisy	G. H.	1417	4.7	62.55
Dave Fitzpatrick	Rose	G. J.	1528	4.3	65.70
Durrer & Son	Lady	G. J.	1259	4.9	61.69
T. B. Wright	Tillie	G. H.	1646	3.9	61.19
Jim Lommen	Vermilyea	G. G.	1107	5.5	60.89
Jim Lommen	Snowball	G. G.	1228	4.8	58.94
Frank Hediger	No. 3	G. J.	1290	4.7	60.63
Wm. Toll	Tiny	G. J.	942	6.4	60.29
Wm. Toll	Big Guer.	G. G.	992	5.6	55.55
Mtrk Boys	Golden Glow	R. J.	1101	5.4	59.45
V. J. Love	No. 13	G. J.	719	8.2	58.96
Steve Steiner	No. 7	G. J.	1225	4.8	58.80
Carl Possette	Dolly	G. J.	1153	5.1	58.50
H. C. White	Princess	R. J.	1147	5.1	58.50
E. J. Geinger	Jersey	G. J.	1116	5.2	58.03
Gus Wicklund	No. 33	G. J.	949	6.0	56.95
Louis Weber	Evangelina	R. J.	1234	4.3	55.60
W. P. Walker	Blue Bell	G. H.	1293	4.3	55.60

Class B. Cows 4 years old making 45 lbs. of fat.					
E. J. Geinger	Miget	G. H.	1438	5.2	74.78
E. J. Geinger	Fanny	G. J.	1066	4.7	59.10
A. F. Wallace	Star	G. J.	1048	6.6	69.17
Frank Lundburg	Petsy	J.	1147	5.3	60.79
Frank Lundburg	Minnie	G. J.	1215	4.4	53.46
Frank Lundburg	Briggs	R. J.	1153	4.4	50.73
Joe Baumgartner	Pea	G. J.	766	7.3	55.92
Hunt & Durrer	Bo Peep	G. G.	722	7.7	55.59
Cottonwood Farm	Rosebud	R. G.	1287	4.3	55.34
Frank Lader	No. 27	G. G.	1190	4.5	53.55
T. B. Wright	Snoot	G. J.	905	5.6	50.68
T. B. Wright	Easie	G. G.	973	5.1	49.62
Dave Fitzpatrick	Jewel	G. J.	884	5.6	49.50
W. K. Scovell	No. 26	G. H.	1383	3.5	48.41
E. M. Leonig	Lady	G. J.	905	5.1	46.16

Class C. Cows 3 years old making 40 lbs. of fat.					
Peter Betchart	No. 40	R. H.	2089	2.6	54.31
Phillip Buslach	Sunbeam	G. G.	809	6.5	52.59
Wm. Glick	Margie	R. G.	812	6.4	51.97
Barber Bros.	Nell	H. H.	1442	3.6	51.91
Homer Mason	Lindy	R. G.	812	6.1	49.53
Homer Mason	Linnie	R. G.	899	5.3	47.65
Homer Mason	Buttercup	R. G.	691	6.6	45.61
Homer Mason	Alma	R. G.	905	4.5	40.73
Pius Christen	Star	G. G.	1172	4.2	49.22
Hunt & Durrer	Lady Lou	G. G.	865	5.6	48.44
Hunt & Durrer	Leannette	G. G.	1073	3.8	40.77
Mark Boys	Gary	G. J.	741	6.5	48.17
Robert Portman	Druthy	G. J.	865	5.1	44.12
Wm. Maxwell	Rhoda	G. J.	955	4.6	43.93
Learned Bros.	Dot	G. J.	834	5.2	43.37
Ed. Davis	Nan	G. J.	961	4.5	43.25
H. C. White	Peggy	G. J.	862	5.0	43.10
Steve Steiner	No. 12	G. J.	694	6.2	43.03
Durrer & Son	Molly	G. G.	1045	4.0	41.92
Frank Blaser	Beauty	G. J.	791	5.2	41.13
H. H. Tubbesing	Pink	G. J.	667	6.0	40.02

Class D. Cows, 2 year old, making 35 lbs. of fat.						
E. M. Leonig	Spot	G. J.	1091	4.6	50.19	
E. M. Leonig	St. Mawes	Kilchis Bty	R. J.	766	5.4	41.36
Ed. Davis	Bluch	G. H.	896	5.3	47.49	
H. C. White	Mary	G. J.	791	5.3	41.93	
H. C. White	Nellie	G. J.	715	5.1	36.36	
H. C. White	Patsy	G. J.	567	4.7	41.82	
Pierce Jacobs	Midget	G. G.	890	4.7	41.82	
Josi & Perron	Lours	G. G.	809	5.0	40.45	
Carl Possette	Katy	G. J.	789	5.1	39.98	
Carl Possette	Trixie	G. J.	555	7.0	38.85	
Dave Fitzpatrick	Jan	G. J.	713	5.5	39.22	
Dave Fitzpatrick	Ruby	G. J.	676	5.3	35.83	
Edgar & Son	Blanch	G. J.	825	4.6	37.95	
Steve Steiner	No. 1	G. H.	1150	3.3	37.95	
Steve Steiner	No. 2	G. H.	1004	3.7	37.15	
Hunt & Durrer	Lillian	G. G.	862	4.4	37.93	
Hunt & Durrer	Nancy	G. G.	992	4.1	36.98	
Durrer & Son	Ruby	G. G.	729	5.2	37.91	
Durrer & Son	Mattie	G. G.	933	4.0	37.32	
Ben Van Tress	Dell	R. J.	667	5.5	36.69	
F. H. Pinkstaff	No. 1	G. H.	775	4.7	36.43	
Clem Rust	Star	G. G.	772	4.7	36.28	
H. H. Tubbesing	Topsey	G. G.	620	5.8	35.96	

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In reaching this decision the committee took into account that Oregon is now the least advertised state in the union, while it has scenic advantages and industrial and agricultural opportunities that cannot be excelled anywhere. Feeling that some big comprehensive move to bring Oregon into the public eye is necessary the world's exposition was declared to be the best method of starting the ball rolling.

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