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COMBINATION OF EVENTS DISRUPTS

DAIRY MARKET

The present slump in dairy products has resulted from a combination of overproduction and reduced consumption of butter coupled with increased production of butter substitutes, according to the current dairy situation report issued by the Oregon Extension service.

Production of creamery butter for the first 11 months of 1929 exceeded that of the same period in 1928 by some 25 million pounds. Consumption decreased by 29 million pounds, while consumption of butter substitutes mounted by a similar amount. The federal outlook report a year ago said that a national increase of 1 per cent in dairy production would reach the limit of present domestic consumption.

Consumers can help the situation by taking advantage of the abnormally low prices to increase their use of wholesome dairy products.

A Louisiana woman has got herself in pretty serious trouble having shot a man who, it turns out, wasn't her husband.

New York will have an anti-noise campaign, in which the speakeasies will doubtless do their bit.

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STOCKMEN OPPOSE PROPOSAL TO TURN
OVER SURFACE RIGHTS

That opposition to President Hoover's recommendation to Congress that the surface rights of unappropriated public lands of the eleven Western states be turned over to the various states in which they are situated, will be given by Oregon stockmen is indicated in a resolution passed by a group of cattle and sheep men in Baker this month.

The matter was taken up at the meeting and thoroughly discussed. The group concurred in the opinion that the best interests of the state as a whole would not be benefited by accepting the President's proposition. They further recommend that "the grazing on all of the unappropriated lands of the state of Oregon be administered by the National Forest Department in such a manner as may be agreed upon by the National Forest officials and the stock users of the state, who own ranches and are dependent on adjacent public lands."

The resolution says further that "Whereas there has been and is now a great deal of agitation for withdrawal of grazing land with in the National forest for more national parks by people who are unfamiliar with the conditions and regulations under which the stockmen get their grazing privileges, and whereas at the present time the pleasure seeker and camper is not restricted at any time from camping any place within the national forest, we feel the tourist or camper is afforded with ample opportunity and protection under the existing rules of the national forest. Therefore be it resolved that we go on record as being opposed to the creation of additional national parks within the national boundaries of the forest."

Officers of the Oregon Wool Growers Association attending the meeting did not deem it wise to commit the organization as an association to any particular line of action on the public land question until the matter came before the association at the annual meeting in The Dalles, January 16 and 17.

BUSINESS IN 1930

Many expressions concerning the business outlook for 1930 have been published at the turn of the year, the consensus appearing to be that while there may be a perceptible slowing down here and there the general prospect is favorable.

One of the most conservative statements recently issued, and one which well represents the average opinion of business leaders is that of John E. Edgerton, president of the National Association of Manufacturers. Noting that the pessimists are forecasting storms, while the optimists see only blue skies, Mr. Edgerton says:

"Taking a middle position, I can observe little on the horizon today to give us undue or great concern. Barring a few inevitable disruptions here and there, I believe the immediate future is safe."

Out of a large number of members of his association recently questioned, 69 per cent report an increase in their forces, while 91 per cent have increased wage payments, and 74 per cent are increasing production, as compared with last year.

There has been some slowing down in automobile lines, chemical, furniture, iron and steel, and a few other industries. On the other hand, large scale expansion is promised in public utilities and railroads, an unusual program for the construction of public works is announced by the government and states and sales efforts in practically all lines will be pushed with vigor.

From present indications 1930 should be at least an average business year, if not above the average.

"Doing an Edison" is the new equivalent of getting lit up.

Putting on style and putting off creditors usually go hand in hand.

An unconfirmed report says a baby was born in Hollywood in 1929.

Officials sometimes experience a shake-up after doing too much shaking down.

It would be interesting to check some tombstone inscriptions with the recording angel's ledger.

Wonder if Marion Talley will have to do a little singing this winter to raise next spring's fertilizer money.

The pedestrian's hope is that the new \$200 automobile will be so small that he can kick it into the gutter.

Our private statistician estimates that more Bibles were bought and fewer read than usual during 1929.

We read that a restaurant chain has reduced the price of applesauce from fifteen cents to ten. We thought the stuff was free.

Los Angeles man locked his hot-tempered wife in a big refrigerator for three days. Even that did not cool her down so she is suing for a divorce.

Telegraph messenger boys are being used to test the wearing quality of shoes. But this will be of little value to folks who buy them to move around in.

A woman's tongue is her sword, says the Chicago News. But in a good many cases it acts more like a machine gun.

After the experts have invented a postage stamp that will stick they might try their hand on marriage licenses.

A cold in your head is bad enough but there are lots worse things you can have in your head at that.

If this television works out we can see the prize fight better in the parlor at home than in one of those twenty dollar seats in the arena.

The twentieth century is now in its thirties and we hope that it will begin to learn something.

If you want to know how fleeting fame is just consider that it is less than a month after Christmas and nearly everyone has forgotten Santa Claus already.

OWYHEE

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pratt of Nampa were guests of the Chas. Bradleys last week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Gardner were Sunday guests of the Ted Simons family.

Mrs. T. M. Lowe is visiting with the Wall family while Mr. Lowe is in Vale serving on the jury.

Cecil Fetter purchased a new Chrysler car.

The Owyhee P. T. A. met at the school house Friday afternoon. Plans for a Valentine party were discussed. Snow and cold weather seems to be the main topic of conversation the last few days.

J. B. Smith purchased a motor for his separator.

The Owyhee project crew at the Dunaway station began work on screening gravel for the dam.

The Kolony P. T. A. met with

Mrs. Dan Holly in Adrian. Efforts were made to find a cook to serve hot lunches at school.

Mrs. R. R. Overstreet is visiting this week with her son Robert and wife of Boise.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Toomb and daughter Dorothy have moved to the E. L. Tate ranch in the Bend.

A daughter was born Friday, January 10, to Mr. and Mrs. Mike Zam-

ora of the Kolony. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bradley were Ontario visitors Monday.

J. D. Fairman, C. MacCamy and W. G. Morgan attended to business matters in Vale the first of the week.

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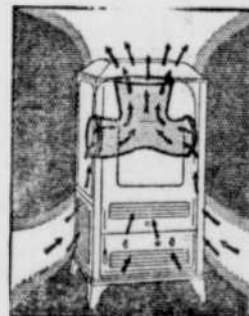
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