

GREAT DINING BOARD

By Gilson Gardner
 WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 27.—The federal trade commission has been in existence six months without having entered a single order for the correction of any unfair business practice.

Which indicates one of two things. Either business is much more virtuous than it used to be, or the federal trade commission is doing something different from what was expected by its promoters.

The trade commission's purpose, according to law, is to inquire into price discriminations, monopolistic combinations, tying contracts, interlocking directorates, spying or any form of economic bludgeony by one firm or individual against another.

When such practices are discovered the commission has the power under the law to order them discontinued, and if the order is not obeyed at once to institute a suit in the circuit court to compel obedience.

The commission is theoretically an instrument to make effective all the provisions of the anti-trust law and its amendment, the Clayton bill—which amendment, by the way, has added a valuable set of teeth to the old Sherman act.

The mails have brought the trade commission hundreds of complaints, but so far the commission has done nothing with them but to file and sort them.

Commission Having See-America-First Tour

The headquarters of the commission here in Washington has been left to a small clerical force, while the commission itself is junketing over the country accepting the hospitality of many chambers of commerce in many cities.

Beginning many weeks ago, the commission started on a see-America-first tour, including the following cities: Chicago, Detroit, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Minneapolis, Spokane, North Yakima, Seattle, Tacoma, San Francisco, San Diego and Los Angeles.

At various places the commission has conducted what it termed "hearings."

At these certain invited business men representing large interests, present arguments and pleas for permission to do certain things.

Generally these things are what in the past have been regarded as bordering closely on violations of the Sherman law.

They want, for instance, to combine and maintain prices on the plea that such combination will assist them in securing foreign trade. The lumbermen of Chicago presented pleas of this sort and some arguments to the effect that they are not a trust, as has been intimated by the bureau of corporations in the three-volume report of that body.

Dining and Listering Body Only Thus Far

Up to date the commission has

MAUD LEONE, EMOTIONAL STAR IN BIG DRAMA, "INSIDE STUFF"



Miss Maud Leone, one of the greatest emotional actresses in vaudeville, who comes to the Pantages in a tense crime drama.

The six act bill that opens at the Pantages Monday matinee will be headed by Maud Leone and her company of two men and a woman in a dramatic sketch "Inside Stuff." Miss Leone is a former leading woman of Willard Mack, actor and playwright, and the sketch was expressly written for her by Mack.

It is said to have all the punch that goes with the Mack productions, and the plot is a sequence of circumstances connected with a mysterious murder. Miss Leone as the girl suspected of the crime because of her previous record,

handles the emotional parts. Second place on the bill is held by "The Birthday Party," a medley of entertainment by eight juvenile performers, imitators of celebrated stars.

"Putting It Over" is a comedy singing, dancing and chatter act by Spencer and Williams.

The Parisian Trio of instrumentalists and vocalists are three men, two of whom are said to have good voices, while the third is an accordionist.

The opening act is a comedy gymnastic offering by Hanlon, Dean and Hanlon, equilibrist and all-around athletes.

been merely a listening and a dining body. It has not acted on the pleas of these prominent business men, neither refusing nor permitting them to do what they want to do.

Under the law it is doubtful if the commission has any power to grant immunity from the Sherman act.

The only indication as to policies to be followed by the trade commission are found in certain press notices issued from time to time.

These convey the idea that the commission is anxious not to pester business, but to be helpful in a large, constructive way. Nothing is said in these bulletins about the complaints issued, nor about the purposes to be served by the hearings and journeys and earnings around the country.

Presumably, however, it is a move in the direction of helping prosperity to return and in this purpose it will be commended by many people, and particularly by

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES

Born to—Mr. and Mrs. H. B. LaMont, 643 North Pine st., girl, Aug. 14; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Donvis, 1730 South Tacoma av., girl, Aug. 16; Mr. and Mrs. John Abitz, 2316 South E st., boy, Aug. 6; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nelson, 125 East 34th st., boy, Aug. 19; Mr. and Mrs. Richard M. Lynch, 2901 North 10th st., girl, Aug. 16; Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Walter, 622 South 45th st., boy, Aug. 22; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sorenson, 317 South 32d st., girl, Aug. 24; Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Larson, 3715 South J st., boy, Aug. 15; Mr. and Mrs. William J. Meyer, 6501 South Park av., boy, Aug. 21; Mr. and Mrs. E. A. O'Neal, 3919 North 24th st., girl, August 18; Mr. and Mrs. John Knowles, 5425 South L st., boy, Aug. 4; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Burgeson, 927 South 75th st., boy, Aug. 20; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hinz, 7807 South Park av., boy, Aug. 14; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lindsay, 3633 East L st., girl, Aug. 25.

Licensed to marry—Chas. G. Jackson and Julia I. Elmlund of Eatonville; B. O. Bendixen of Port Townsend and Hazel Spinning of Olympia.

TRY BUSINESS MAN

After a strenuous day in the field yesterday the members of the business men's instruction camp at American lake indulged in a little play in the mess tent during the evening, holding a mock court martial, in which the victim, a well known Seattle business man, barely escaped a swim in the lake's cold waters. The pleading of his counsel changed the probable verdict to a compulsory drill, going through the manual of arms for several minutes. During the day the men were given instructions on field work, the same problems given them as they would encounter in actual service. In a short time they will practice these instructions in sham movements. Blank ammunition will be issued.

REFUSES DIVORCE

Judge W. O. Chapman said he could see no reason yesterday for granting Minnie Bell Horton a divorce from Charles E. Horton, a former Tacoma furniture dealer, and refused the decree.

Horton went to his wife and offered to take her home. The wife burst into tears, and left the courtroom. Deputations showed that Horton had reformed during the last four years and was a proper and kindly father, enabled to support his wife and family.

OPEN NATIONAL PARK

DENVER, Col., Aug. 28.—The Rocky Mountain national park today was formally opened to the people of the United States. This park is the latest pet of the federal government, and promises with comprehensive development to become as famous as Yellowstone, Tacoma, Yosemite and other national parks. Located entirely in Colorado, the state has taken an interest in its development, especially in the construction of adequate automobile highways leading to and through the peaks and valleys.

HONOR HINDENBURG

BERLIN, Aug. 28.—Berlin today unveiled a great statue of General von Hindenburg, the German military hero. The shaft and figure stand nearly 40 feet high. The unveiling was set for today in commemoration of the first anniversary of the battle of Tannenberg, when the Russians were first thrown back in East Prussia.

CHINA WANTS SUBS?

NEW YORK, Aug. 28.—Rumors circulated here yesterday set financial circles agog. These were that Chinese military experts were negotiating for the purchase of 100 submarines at a cost of \$75,000,000. It is said Charles M. Schwab will place the orders.

WOULD BOOM WOOD

PORTLAND, Aug. 28.—Representatives from every section of the northwest decided at the meeting yesterday of the North Coast Lumbermen's association on a campaign to extend the lumber trade field by getting every city on the coast to use wood paving blocks.

HERE AND ELSEWHERE

Social service board decides formally hold other kiddies' picnics hereafter.

State's attorney at Gary, Ind., announces the Rev. Edmund Kaiser, German protagonist, killed by own revolver. Business as well as sympathy with allies may have been cause, he says.

Cut flowers and floral works. Hinz, florist, So. 7th and K. av.

Art Smith, aviator, falls at Des Moines, Ia., wrecking his machine, but he's uninjured.

Turkish soldiers able to withstand every attack on Gallipoli except that of Irish bayonets.

Real Whole Wheat Health Bread. Duenwald's, 313 11th. "adv."

Cary Llewellyn, 22, American, forced to leave German army because he wouldn't give up U. S. citizenship. He's won the iron cross.

Genuine Flynn's Health Bread, sold at Crescent Butter Store, 1104 Market St. "adv."

British engineers figuring on plan to raise Lusitania, which lies in 300 or 400 feet of water. Would be unparalleled task.

Great Northern Steamship Co. offers Minnesota for sale.

Hop pickers wanted in Yakima.

STANLEY BELL PRINTING CO. "adv."

Charles W. Gunns, accused of assaulting wife and mother-in-law in latter's home, charged with second degree assault.

McLean the contract mover. Main 1850. "adv."

Victoria Hamontowska, Russian, asks name be made Phillips.

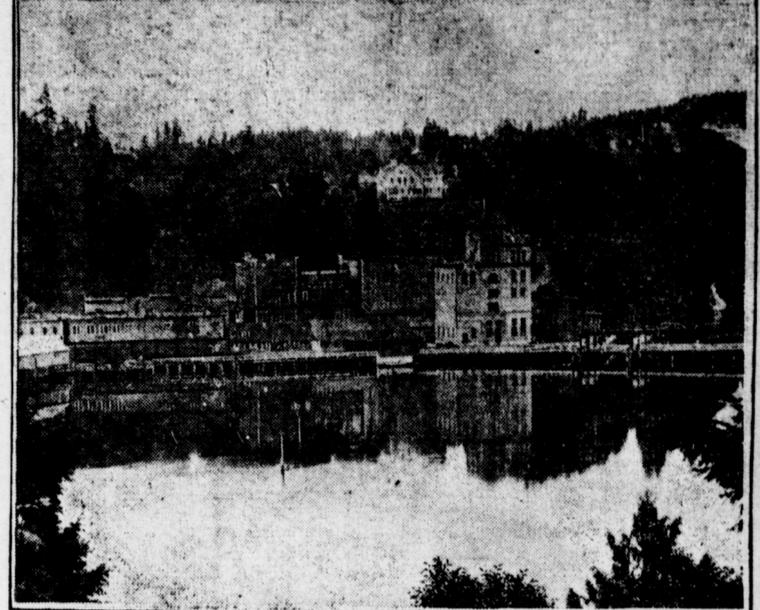
Pearl Jeannette Ross asks divorce from C. W., charging cruelty and non-support.

Harry Agorney, convicted of petty and grand larceny and burglary faces proceedings to declare him a habitual criminal.

County commissioners prepare to pay for Stellacoom paving. Lawsuit with state likely, as latter does not approve pavement.

Bill Tatt says we out west can't try out our "crazy laws" if we want to—the east is willing if we pay the bills. Nice of him, eh?

WHAT'RE BREWERIES TO DO? THIS ONE WILL BECOME A CREAMERY



Plant of the Olympia Brewing Co., at Tumwater, on the outskirts of Olympia, now being operated as a dairy. Below, Mrs. Margaret E. Platt, of Seattle, president Western Washington W. C. T. U., who scouts the idea that brewery property will be destroyed when the dry law becomes effective. "It's all both. This property will not be confiscated," she says. "The history of other states shows that the industries which replaced breweries employed more men than the breweries."

By Staff Correspondent
 OLYMPIA, Aug. 28.—The day prohibition becomes effective in Washington, we are told by the anti-prohibitionists, property valued at many thousands of dollars will be destroyed and thousands of men and women will be thrown out of work and forced to seek employment in a market where the employment supply already far exceeds the demand.

Huge buildings and costly machinery will suddenly become worthless. Hop growers and grain growers will be unable to market their crops.

And so on, and so on. All the thousands of men engaged in the growing of these crops, in their transportation, and in all such phases of manufacturing liquor, will be idle.

Hard times will result, just as sure as the sun will rise on Jan. 1.

This is the story of the anti-prohibitionists.

The prohibitionists point simply to the work of preparation now going on in practically every brewery of this state to convert these liquor factories into factories that will turn out other products.

Brewery men are pessimistic. They admit they are making the preparations. But they believe the probable results. Nevertheless, the work of preparation goes on. In some parts of the state it has been completed.

The Schmidt brothers, who control the Olympia Brewing Co., recently bought out the Farmers' Co-operative Creamery at Olympia, and converted part of their brewery into a dairy products plant, where they are manufacturing butter, ice and ice cream, and storing eggs.

This was done, they explain gloomily, because it was necessary to keep their ice plant going, despite the fact that their output of beer was decreasing in anticipation of prohibition. The creamery was established to keep the ice plant's efficiency up to standard.

But just the same, the creamery is operating, and a big auto truck is busy every day rolling along the roads of Thurston county gathering cream from the farmers in a territory within a radius of 40 miles of the creamery.

Under the incorporated name of the Fruja Fruit Products Co., the brewery concern also has engaged in the manufacture of fruit beverages at its bottling works. It is making six varieties of fruit drinks.

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Plant Here to Be Closed, Officials Say

The doors and windows of the \$500,000 plant of the Pacific Brewing & Malting Co. will be



boarded up and the machinery allowed to rust when the new prohibition law goes into effect on the first of January.

This is as much of an outlook as a prominent official of the brewery had to make today.

Another field in developing in British Columbia. That province has heretofore drawn heavily on Australia for its butter supply. But Australia has suffered a drought this year, and what little surplus she had has gone to feed the allies in the war zone.

Creamery men are agreed that if the Washington farmer will apply himself studiously, employing economical business methods to the dairy business, he will find a ready market for all he can produce, and will reap profits enough to encourage him in expanding.

Answer Made by the Prohibitionists

Here, then, we find the answer of the prohibitionists. Convert the breweries into creameries, fruit products plants, and—as is already being done—into condenseries, wholesale groceries, etc.

The capital of the brewers and distillers will then be not destroyed; their buildings and land will not become useless; men will not have employment; the output will give employment to beer truck drivers and salesmen.

Moreover, instead of the new material being hops and barley for malt, it will be alfalfa, corn, etc., for cows.

It will mean very much more corn and alfalfa which means more land cultivated in Washington, more farmers, farm hands, and also more homes. Thus the land and the handling of food products will take up much, if not all, the idleness caused by prohibition.

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MY CRITICISM OF THE TIMES

This blank to be filled out in full by every competitor for the editor's prize of \$10 for the best suggestion to improve The Times, and to be mailed in along with letters embodying ideas.

Name

Address

My chief reason for taking The Times is.....

I (always, occasionally, never) read the sport page. I think this of it.....

My opinion of The Times editorials.....

I (always, occasionally, never) follow The Times comics. Of the Married Man, Stella and Gertie, Nic Nimble, the little movie strip, Hong Kong Kolumn, Everett True, Satterfield's cartoons, Junior Office Boy, Household Hints, Squirrel Food and Monkeyshines, my favorite is.....

.....; my second favorite is.....

I read (do not read) The Times movie department. What I think of it.....

My favorite Times writer.....

I read (do not read) Cynthia Grey's department. My opinion of it.....

I read (do not read) Confessions of a Wife. My opinion.....

I read (do not read) City of Tacoma's official notices.

I read (do not read) the classified advertising.

I am interested in what class of Tacoma merchants' display advertising? My idea of advertising.....

Of all the recent articles in The Times which I can recall, I liked best.....

Times features I should like to see eliminated.....

New features I should like to see in The Times.....

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Create Market for Fruit Products

This opens up another field of industry. This new company is at present getting its fruit extracts from Oregon orchards and vineyards, but if a supply were available nearer home, the company would no longer patronize Oregon.

The Fruit Juice Industry Has Proven Profitable in California

It is proving itself excellent for the grading of dairy herds. Washington never has produced

RENTON COAL
 No Soot
 Little Ash
GRIFFIN
TRANSFER CO.
 Auto Delivery. MAIN 580

San Francisco for **Fair**
Hotel Guide Visitors

LINCOLN HOTEL
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