

PROPOSE FEDERAL INSPECTION OF CREAMERIES.

Following the report in many of the newspapers of the country that some of the creameries are not in the most sanitary condition, a resolution has been introduced in Congress calling for an investigation of the truth of the news articles and probably the passing of a federal inspection law. Reports sent out by the federal bureau of animal industry are to the effect that many dairies are furnishing impure products to consumers and as the government has no direct control of the creameries remedial legislation is sought.

The proposed congressional committee would be called upon to report on the following questions:

"Whether conditions prevailing in dairies seriously menace health and property of the people of the United States; whether federal inspection and supervision, either alone or in co-operation with states and municipal inspection, is necessary to the protection of health and property, and the best methods of enforcing proper safeguards."

A mad dog scare is prevailing at St. Peter on account of several children having been bitten by some worthless cur running at large says the Free Press of that city. Lyle, young son of Mr. and Mrs. James Castles, was bitten by a strange dog last Wednesday. He was given surgical treatment immediately and no serious consequences are looked for. It is thought that this is the same animal that bit Louis Eckstrom and Clare Moll. Hopes are expressed that the owner of the dog may do away with the animal before it does any serious harm. St. Peter has an abundance of worthless curs and it would be a good idea if a heavy tax were imposed in order to get rid of them. But St. Peter is not the only town afflicted or blessed with dogs of doubtful pedigree. New Ulm has its share and a cleaning up along that line would not be out of place.

Thousands of live fish were shipped out of Fairmont in one shipment recently to be used for the Jewish markets at Philadelphia. The Jewish people insist that their fish be bought alive, and killed by their Rabbi according to the way their belief teaches them. The cost of shipping this lot of fish to Philadelphia will amount to nearly \$500. The car contains nine steel tanks which are kept filled with water and require a complete change every forty-eight hours. Air is furnished by an electric motor and air pump which is operated by large storage batteries underneath the car.

Pleadings by the Commercial Club of St. Peter to the Omaha road to order passenger trains to stop at the "across the river" station have had their effect and passengers on the through night trains will now be able to either board or get off. Orders were issued this week by the Omaha passenger department for the stopping of trains 9 and 10 beginning on Sunday, March 12th. For some years these trains have not stopped there to the great inconvenience of the traveling public. The stopping of trains will also make a difference in the mail service as it had been necessary to dispatch the mails for these trains by express train to Mankato and outside of the letter mail only a limited amount of bulky matter could be dispatched as only pouches were sent for this service.

10 CENT "CASCARETS" FOR LIVER AND BOWELS

Cure Sick Headache, Constipation, Biliousness, Sour Stomach, Bad Breath—Candy Cathartic.

No odds how bad your liver, stomach or bowels; how much your head aches, how miserable you are from constipation, indigestion, biliousness and sluggish bowels—you always get relief with Cascarets. They immediately cleanse and regulate the stomach, remove the sour, fermenting food and foul gases; take the excess bile from the liver and carry off the constipated waste matter and poison from the intestines and bowels. A 10-cent box from your druggist will keep your liver and bowels clean; stomach sweet and head clear for months. They work while you sleep.

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NOSE CLOGGED FROM A COLD OR CATARRH

Apply Cream in Nostrils To Open Up Air Passages.

Ah! What relief! Your clogged nostrils open right up, the air passages of your head are clear and you can breathe freely. No more hawking, snuffing, mucous discharge, headache, dryness—no struggling for breath at night, your cold or catarrh is gone.

Don't stay stuffed up! Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist now. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic cream in your nostrils, let it penetrate through every air passage of the head; soothe and heal the swollen, inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Ely's Cream Balm is just what every cold and catarrh sufferer has been seeking. It's just splendid.

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ABOUT THE STATE

News of Especial Interest to Minnesota Readers.

GATHERED FROM ALL SECTIONS

Happenings of the Week Briefly Told for the Convenience of the Busy Reader.

An "aeroplane" that alarmed Duluth citizens was only a toy balloon.

The State Bank of Stanton has been incorporated with a capital stock of \$10,000.

The Winona county board has sold to two Winona banks \$500,000 worth of good road bonds.

Mrs. W. J. Yanz, wife of the superintendent of the state hospital for the insane at Hastings, is dead.

W. J. Stevenson, assistant attorney general, has resigned to accept a position with Wells, Dickey & Co., Minneapolis brokers.

Charles W. Dearing, who ran the first locomotive over the stone arch bridge at Minneapolis, is dead, aged seventy-three years.

Charles Premo, eighty-six years old, one of the earliest settlers of St. Paul and a former steamboat captain on the Mississippi river, is dead.

The country near Northome is overrun with beavers and farmers are asking permission to kill the animals. Beaver dams have caused several big floods.

Bird Island's public school building has been destroyed by fire with all its contents. Twenty below zero weather hindered the work of the firemen. The loss is \$25,000.

President Wilson has sent to the senate the name of Joseph A. Wessel of Crookston for United States marshal for Minnesota. Early confirmation is expected.

Warren Moritz, his son John, his wife Kate and his daughter Mamie were convicted of petty larceny in the Minneapolis municipal court and sent to the workhouse.

George Franklin, wealthy retired farmer and a resident of Mazeppa for nearly fifty years, is dead. He was eighty-six years of age and is survived by ten children.

The historic mail used near Garrison, Mont., Sept. 8, 1883, to drive the last spike completing the Northern Pacific railway has been presented to the Minnesota Historical society.

The cost of construction work authorized by the building department of the city of Duluth in February was almost as large as the entire amount authorized the first quarter of 1915.

Minnesota Socialists, in state convention at Duluth, selected J. O. Bentall of Litchfield for their candidate for governor and Andrew Hanson of Minneapolis for lieutenant governor.

Cash in the state treasury to the credit of state funds was \$1,000,000 greater on March 1 than on the same date a year ago, according to the monthly statement of State Treasurer Gooding.

Voters of consolidated district No. 30, which includes the city of Canby, carried a bonding issue by the decisive vote of 338 to 40. An addition to cost \$45,000 will be added to the present structure.

Armin J. Bosshard of Meriden, Steele county, has filed for the nomination for state senator for the Sixteenth district to succeed former Senator Eugene B. Collester, who died about three months ago.

Mrs. Ada H. Wilson, wife of General George P. Wilson, former attorney general and state senator, is dead at Minneapolis. Mrs. Wilson was seventy-two years old and had been a resident of Minneapolis since 1858.

Red Lake county, the only remaining wet district in Northern Minnesota, remains so by a majority of 279 out of 1,635 votes cast in the special option election just held there. There are seven saloons in the county.

J. A. Markert, former assistant city and county assessor at St. Paul, was fined \$300 by Judge Dickson of the Ramsey county district court for accepting a \$10 bribe for omitting a citizen's personal property assessment.

Anson A. Pike, ninety-six years old, the oldest Mason in the world, a former resident of Pipestone, this state, is dead at Spokane, Wash. Mr. Pike was the last survivor of General Fremont's army of conquest in Mexico.

Carl Gerstenmaier, former treasurer of the German Lutheran Cemetery association of St. Paul, pleaded guilty in the Ramsey county district court to an embezzlement charge and was sentenced to the state prison at Stillwater.

Two promotions were made in the office of A. H. Turrittin, superintendent of banks, when D. B. Fuller of Bemidji, assistant examiner, was made an examiner, and George H. Sivright of Hutchinson was made an assistant examiner.

Minnesota's oil inspection law was upheld in a decision by Judge J. C. Michael of the Ramsey county district court in a state suit against the Pure Oil company to force payment of \$9,191.20 for gasoline inspection. The court held the inspection is an exercise of police power by the state and not taxation.

John H. Clarkin, fifty-two years old, a native of St. Paul and a former president of the fire board, is dead.

Frederick C. Eastman, head of the Latin department of the University of Iowa, and Eugene C. Barker, professor of history at the University of Texas, have been engaged as instructors in the summer session of the University of Minnesota.

R. B. Basford, eighty years old, a pioneer in the insurance business in Minnesota, died suddenly at Winona. Mr. Basford was a soldier in the Civil war, had been county auditor and treasurer of Winona county and a state legislator.

Zinko Arko, thirty-three years old, a resident of Chisholm, was instantly killed by an explosion of dynamite in a mine hundreds of feet underground. It is supposed that he committed suicide, as nothing indicated the tragedy was an accident.

Joint funeral services took place at Minneapolis for Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Johnson. Mr. Johnson was stricken with apoplexy and as his wife was hurrying to his aid she fell down the stairs and sustained injuries which resulted in her death.

Daniel P. Hance, eighty-five years old, a sergeant in Company D, Eighth Minnesota infantry during the Civil war, died at the Soldiers' home at Minneapolis. He was buried in Lakewood cemetery beside his wife, who died two months ago.

The charter commission of Red Wing has turned down the council's request to submit the high license question to the voters of Red Wing at the spring election. The amendment proposed by the council would increase the liquor license fee from \$500 to \$1,000.

Walter J. Richeson, formerly deputy clerk of the Duluth municipal court, was found guilty in St. Louis county district court of misappropriating court funds. The count upon which he was tried charged a shortage of \$691, but about \$5,000 was missed, it is alleged.

Joseph Guernon, farmer, was killed and Mrs. B. Doucette, wife of a neighbor injured when their sleigh was struck by a Northern Pacific engine at a blind crossing near Fort Ripley. Both horses were killed. The engine, just out of the Brainerd shops, was making a trial run to Little Falls.

Fred B. Myers of Duluth, who will be an important witness in the coming trial of Walter J. Smith, former state treasurer, has resigned as president of the First National bank of Biwabik and Gilbert and has sold his stock to business men in the iron range towns.

Game licenses issued during the 1915 hunting season totaled \$6,673, according to the statement of Carlos Avery, game and fish commissioner. There were 26,288 big game licenses and 60,385 small game licenses sold. In 1914 there were 25,852 big game and 23,729 small game, or a total of 49,581 licenses sold.

The Minnesota railroad and warehouse commission will conduct a hearing at Owatonna March 30 to determine whether a physical connection should be made between the lines of the Northwestern Telephone company and those of the Tristate Telephone company. The Northwestern is opposed to making the connection.

After twenty-two years' service as head of the Red Wing Lutheran Ladies' seminary, Rev. H. Allen is to retire at the end of the present school year. Dr. G. G. Ristad, president of the Park Region Lutheran college at Fergus Falls, prominent among Northwest educators, has accepted the presidency of the Red Wing institution.

Single handed, Charles Benson, deputy Indian agent, stopped three wagon loads of liquor just after they were driven across the line into "dry" territory, arrested seven men, confiscated three teams and wagons and smashed barrels, kegs, bottles and jugs containing hundreds of gallons of whiskey, beer and wine. The capture is valued at \$2,500.

The state railroad and warehouse commission has ordered a modification of the railroad clearance law. The new order allows railroads to reduce the space between the tops of cars and overhead structures and also between the parallel clearings on all bridges and in tunnels, except in places where switching operations are conducted.

Walter J. Smith, former state treasurer, under indictment on three counts for the alleged embezzlement of \$26,000 in state funds, will not appear in Ramsey county district court for trial until April 4. Judge Dickson ordered a continuance when two physicians who examined Smith in behalf of the state reported he is too weak physically to stand trial for a month.

Egbert S. Oakley of Duluth has been appointed the successor of W. J. Stevenson as assistant attorney general in charge of inheritance tax matters, under Attorney General Smith. Mr. Oakley is a native Minnesotan, was twice elected county attorney of Wright county, was register of the Cass Lake land office from 1903 to 1908 and assistant district attorney under C. C. Haupt from 1908 to 1914.

Mrs. Amelia Dudek of Minneapolis, mother of seven children, shot and instantly killed Rev. Father Henry Jajeski, pastor of St. Casimir's Catholic church at St. Paul, as he sat in his chair in the church confessional. Mrs. Dudek says the killing was the sequel of a series of lawsuits in Minneapolis in which her husband, Frank Dudek, herself and the priest had figured and in which the priest was charged with improper relations with Mrs. Dudek.

FRENCH HOLDING ENEMY IN CHECK

Repulse of German Attacks Inspires Confidence.

DEAD LYING IN HEAPS

Flower of Teutonic Army is Hurling Against French Left in Frantic Effort to Break Through the Line and Clear the Way for Another Advance on Paris.

Paris, March 7.—Public confidence is greatly strengthened by the news of the continued repulse of the German attacks near Verdun. In military and political circles intense satisfaction is expressed regarding the situation and the opinion begins to prevail that the great efforts of the Germans will be more easily disposed of than expected at first.

Having failed to make any impression on the Douaumont position and on Vaux, to its right, the German general staff determined to smash the French left on the Vacheraville Wood-Cote du Poivre position. Without regard to the cost the best troops were hurled forward, but with no more success than elsewhere. Pomeranians and what was left of the Brandenburgers dashed themselves vainly against the French, who stood as immovable as a rock wall.

At Vaux the Germans finally fell back, leaving dead in heaps. The French infantry, supported by their formidable artillery, showed themselves able to resist every onslaught. On the left bank of the Meuse artillery on both sides thundered. The French infantry in that section had little to do, but it remains there ready for any eventuality, although the military experts believe it is extremely doubtful that the Germans will attempt to storm the Mont-Homme key position, for to do so they must deploy over a plain a mile wide, under cross fire from the heights around.

SENDS LETTER TO BISHOPS

Pope Benedict Appeals to Warring Nations for Peace.

Rome, March 7.—Pope Benedict, in a Lenten letter to bishops, protests against the continuance of the war, which he alludes to as the "suicide of civilized Europe."

The letter recalls the pope's previous efforts to establish peace and sets forth this proposal, made by him several months ago:

Each belligerent should clearly state his desires, but should be ready to make necessary sacrifices of pride and particular interests, thus ending the monstrous conflict in accordance with justice and re-establishing peace; advantageous to neither side, but profitable to all, and therefore a just and lasting peace.

The pope recommends that alms be given for child victims of the war. Such almsgiving is suggested as appropriate for the Lenten season in neutral countries.

GERMAN RAIDER IN PORT

Cruiser Moewe Slips Through Enemy's Blockade.

Berlin, March 7.—The German raider Moewe has arrived at Wilhelmshaven, a German port.

Official announcement has been made that the Moewe has on board many British prisoners and 1,000,000 marks in gold bars, taken from captured vessels.

Fifteen vessels are said to have been captured by the Moewe, which also laid a number of mines. One of these mines, it is asserted, sank the British battleship, King Edward VII.

The Moewe has achieved one of the most spectacular feats of the war by reaching a home port safely.

Wilhelmshaven is on the North sea, which is patrolled by British ships. The Moewe had to pass through these waters before it could reach port in safety.

SHELLING TURKISH SEAPORT

Russian Torpedo Boat Destroyers Attacking Trebizond.

Petrograd, March 7.—Russian torpedo boat destroyers have bombarded Trebizond, the Turkish seaport in eastern part of the coast of the Black sea, 120 miles northwest of Erzerum, and have sunk several vessels. The Turkish batteries, it is announced, replied, but without success.

An Amsterdam dispatch says that since Feb. 21 heavy fighting has been in progress between the relief forces of General Aylmer on the Tigris and the Turkish troops, according to advices from Constantinople. Especially severe fighting has been taking place near the town of Nasrie. The British have recently moved up a new large force to proceed to the relief of General Townshend at Kut-el-Amara.

Noted Swiss Surgeon Is Dead. Geneva, March 7.—Charles Girard, professor of surgery of Geneva university, who operated on scores of Americans, is dead. He was sixty-six years old.

PRINCE MIRKO.

Claims Royal Title to Montenegro In Declaration to Austro-Hungary.

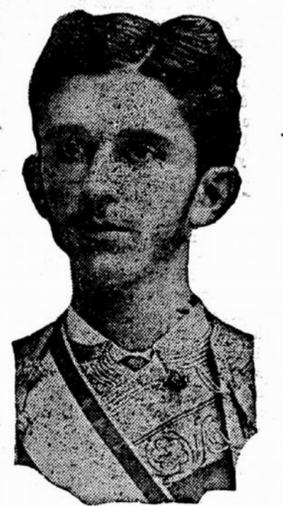


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This declaration was in reply to that issued by King Nicholas of Montenegro ordering the Montenegrins to continue the struggle. The prince and his adherents reiterate their assertions regarding an armistice for peace by which Montenegro was saved from final destruction.

GERARD RIDICULES SECRET TREATY IDEA

London, March 7.—An Amsterdam dispatch says that the German newspapers publish an interview between James W. Gerard, American ambassador to Germany, and an Austrian journalist. The ambassador is reported as saying:

"I hope an understanding between Germany and the United States may yet be reached, but no change is expected in the situation until the German memorandum regarding armed merchantmen reaches Washington. It is foolish to credit the rumor that President Wilson has sanctioned a secret treaty between the United States and Great Britain. Any president who did such a thing would immediately be thrown out of office."

The correspondent adds it is believed in German naval circles that the new phase of the submarine warfare will not be started before the end of the crisis with America, although the government will not make that announcement, fearing a revolt in the pan-German press.

PARIS PAPERS PRAISE VOTE IN THE SENATE

Paris, March 7.—Great pleasure at what is generally called a "Wilson victory over the German-Americans" is unanimously expressed by the French press regarding the submarine-armed ships controversy in America.

The senate's action, according to the *Journal*, shows that the American people are behind their president. The same writer remarks:

"The mechanism of the American Constitution has worked to perfection; that of the initiative, which belongs to the president, and that of control over this initiative, which belongs to the senate, have worked in harmony. The house of representatives now can only pass a vote of sentiment."

According to the *Petit Parisien* the vote will make a profound impression on the European neutrals, "as it is the greatest neutral which has spoken."

President Wilson, according to the *Figaro*, now is armed by the senate and is certain to act.

The opinion is expressed by *Gaulois* that, after this, President Wilson is hardly likely to settle differences with Germany diplomatically, "as it is clear that American opinion will not stand for American citizens being sent to the bottom of the sea, whether vessels they sail by are armed or not."

OFFICIAL ADMITS MISTAKE

Confusion in Accounts Resulted in Original Statement.

St. Paul, March 7.—J. A. O. Preus, state auditor, admitted that he made a mistake when he charged the Republican state central committee last week with exceeding the \$10,000 legal maximum expenditure in the 1914 campaign. A statement by W. O. Clure, secretary of the committee, shows Mr. Preus added too many obligations when he figured his totals. Mr. Preus justifies his action by saying there was a mistake in the reports submitted to the secretary of state by Mr. Clure as to expenditures of the committee.

Fred L. Carpenter, treasurer of the committee, said statements attributed to Mr. Preus were incorrect and that it was unfortunate the committee assumed a check for \$300 was sent to them by Mr. Preus.

Uniting the Family.

How many households have a family hour—a definite time in the week when all the members of the family gather in perfect serenity for an interval of genuine communion? Although civilization brings many advantages in its train, it has the great fault of tending to disrupt family intercourse. Each member has too many individual activities. Fathers have their business; sons, their business or education; mothers, their domestic duties or social occupations; daughters, their business, their education or their social life.

All these things are right and worthy in themselves, but they do not tend to weld the family. If members of a family will make it a rule to devote themselves for one hour in the week wholly to one another the spirit of family life will be quickened and strengthened. Often the members of a family pursue parallel courses that do not intersect. It is mere platitudes to point out that great events—travel, marriage, death and the like—must inevitably cause disintegration. But so long as the family is together under one roof the spirit of union and common interests should be fostered.—Youth's Companion.

A Bird's Barbed Wire Fences.

There is in Central America a brown wren about the size of a canary which builds a curious nest. It selects a small tree with horizontal branches growing close together. Across two of the branches it lays sticks fastened to gether with tough fiber until a platform about six feet long by two feet wide has been constructed. On the end of this platform nearest the tree trunk it then builds a huge dome shaped nest a foot or so high with thick sides of interwoven thorns. A covered passageway is then made from the nest to the end of the platform in as crooked a manner as possible. Across the outer end as well as at short intervals along the inside of this tunnel are placed cunning little fences of thorns with just space enough for the owners to pass through. On going out this opening is closed by the owner by placing thorns across the gateway, and thus the safety of the eggs or young is assured.

How Chalk Is Formed.

Deposits of chalk are found on some shores of the sea. A piece of chalk, such as the teacher uses to illustrate something on the blackboard at school, consists of the remains of thousands of tiny creatures that at one time lived in the sea. All of their bodies, excepting the chalk—called carbonate of lime in scientific language—has disappeared and the chalk that was left was piled up where it fell at the bottom of the ocean, each particle pressing over it all until it became almost solid. It took thousands of years to make these chalk deposits of the thickness in which they are found. Later on, through changes in the earth's surface, the mountain of chalk was raised until it stood out of the water and thus became accessible to man and school-teachers.

Not Afraid of Cold Steel.

In her younger days Eugenie, when empress of the French nation, was noted for her great courage, as the following incident proves.

At a brilliant dinner party a somewhat tactless general told her majesty that women should not meddle in politics.

"You know, madame," he said, "that politics lead to war, and if the worse came to the worst you would not have the nerve to face cold steel."

"Wouldn't I?" cried the empress. "I'll show you!" And, snatching a large knife from the table, she inflicted a deep stab on her arm.

After that the general never broached the subject of woman's lack of nerves again.

Sharpening a Pocketknife.

Cutters have certain rules for sharpening razors, pocketknives, etc. "A razor," said one of the craft quoted by the *Scientific American*, "must be laid flat on the hone, because it is low ground and requires a fine edge. But a pocketknife requires a stiff edge, and the moment you lay it flat on a stone, so as to touch the polished side, you injure the edge. It must be held at an angle of twenty to twenty-five degrees and have an edge similar to a chisel."

Ups and Downs.

Lady (who was on a visit to her native town)—How is Mrs. Gabbie? I haven't seen her for a long time? Hostess—She is having her usual ups and downs. Lady Visitor—And what may that be, I pray? Hostess—Oh, running up bills and running down her neighbors.—Buffalo News.

A Rise.

"The automatic force of inanimate objects is sometimes a wonderful thing," said the professor.

"Yes," agreed the impecunious man; "even the humble cake of yeast can always raise the dough."—New York Mail.

His Wisdom.

Judge—How long have you owned a car? Motorist (charged with speeding)—One week, your honor. Judge—Um; then you can still afford to pay a fine. Twenty dollars!—Puck.

Not What He Meant.

Diner (in swell cafe)—I suppose people who dine here carry off quite a lot of silver. Waiter—Yes, sir; we can't get all their loose change.—Boston Transcript.

The very best way to get ability is to do thoroughly whatever you do. Master every detail of work that falls to your lot.—Selected.