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Dairymen's Association Meets at Lynden, Wn.

The 18th annual convention of the State Dairymen's Association met at Lynden December 21, 22, and 23. In point of numbers, enthusiasm, harmony and good will, it was the greatest dairy convention ever held in the state. The Legislative Committee had their resolutions almost unanimously supported, only two votes being recorded against them. That the delegates who came to Monroe last year and promised a full turn out of Whatcom county dairymen at the convention, if held at Lynden, was fully sustained.

The royal reception accorded to the delegates was such as to make every one wish that the meeting would be held at the same place next year. With but one or two exceptions, the

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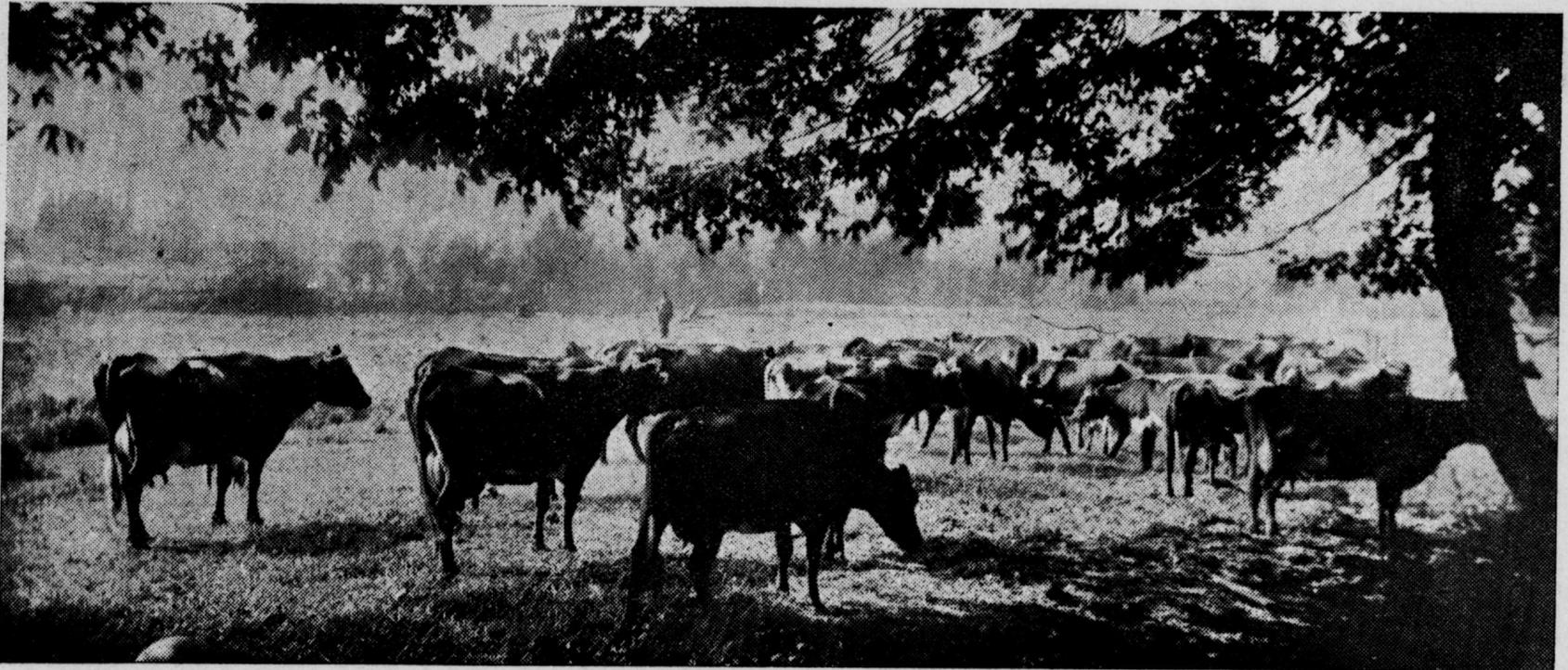
program was carried out to the letter. President Langdon tried very hard to have the program carried out as arranged. On the last day the delegates however, were determined that the recommendations of the tuberculine testing committee should be discussed without restrictions. The speaker gave over to wishes of the delegates. After full discussion had been given to the subject, occupying about one hour and a half, the delegates were fully agreed that the resolutions should be passed as provided by

the committee. However, Mr. Donald McInnis of Oak Harbor, seemed to believe that the tuberculine investigation and testing should be more comprehensive and cover all classes of farm animals. He contended that the dairyman were throwing a stone at themselves by simply making recommendations that legislative action should be taken against the dairy cow alone. It was shown, however, by those who believed differently, that too much money from the state would be required and too intricate

problems of compensation for stock condemned would result. Also it was claimed and agreed by all that if a dairy herd should be condemned and state inspection required before killing, that it would result in sending all cattle to the packing houses to be killed where Federal inspection might be given, and thus put local butchers out of business. In a legislative way this was the most important and happy result of the meeting.

The whole discussions and papers, touching of elbows, shown by the delegates and the local dairymen will result in great good. Most of the important papers presented to the Association have been secured by The

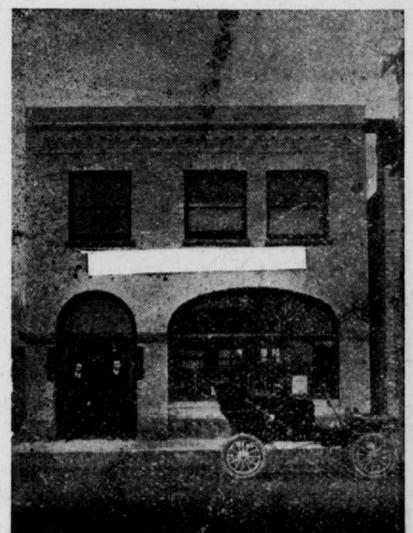
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