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THE 1924-1925
CITY CLUB YEAR BEGINS

MUSIC

CITY CLUB QUARTET

SPEAKER

MERTON K. CAMERON

*Business Organization and Public Utilities
Department of Economics, University of Oregon*

SUBJECT

"Government Control of Public Utilities"

The speaker is aware of the seeming discontent with, or misunderstanding of, the work of the Public Service Commissions, and because of this general situation believes that consideration of the history of the emergence of the public utilities in the United States, and a discussion of principles of control will be of worth while interest. Since everyone is more or less directly served by public utilities, this subject will prove attractive, especially so to City Club members.

Tell Your Friends of This Meeting

Joint Meeting: UNIVERSITY CLUB and CITY CLUB

TODAY NOON (Thursday)

Sixth and Jefferson

DR. ALEXANDER MEIKLEJOHN

"The Liberal College"

MAY 12—MONDAY NOON: Seventy-five City Club members are invited to be the guests of the Good Samaritan Hospital, on National Hospital Day. A novel and interesting occasion. Plan to go.

MAY 23—FRIDAY NOON: LADIES INVITED. The City Club is invited to luncheon at the Girls' Polytechnic School, 14th and Morrison streets. This will be a lark. There's room for a party of 250.

The City Club seems suddenly to have become the recipient of many invitations. Show your Club loyalty by responding.

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City Club dues are \$1.00 per month, payable semi-annually on May 1st, and November 1st. There is no initiation fee.

NOMINEES ELECTED

All that remains for the President to do next week is to call for the Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot for the candidates for City Club officers and Governors, by reason of the fact that no additional nominations were made from the floor last week.

City Club officialdom is, therefore, as follows:

OFFICERS

President C. C. Ludwig
1st Vice President G. N. Woodley
2nd Vice President R. R. Denny
Secretary MacCormac Snow
Treasurer A. L. Andrus

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

3 year term R. M. Boykin
3 year term Thaddeus W. Veness
2 year term F. D. Stricker, M.D.

The hold-over Governors are L. D. Bosley, John A. Laing and R. F. Scholz.

The occupations of those elected are: C. C. Ludwig, Executive Secretary, Multnomah Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission; George N. Woodley, Lawyer; Roy Denny, local manager, Missouri State Life Insurance Co.; MacCormac Snow, lawyer; A. L. Andrus, certified public accountant; R. M. Boykin, general manager, North Coast Power Co.; Thaddeus W. Veness, lawyer, and Dr. Frederick D. Stricker, State Health Officer.

The new officers take the reins immediately after the meeting Friday.

TELEGRAM SENT

The proposal made by the late President Harding that the United States take part in the World Court has remained dormant for the reason that the sub-committee of the Foreign Relations Committee of the United States Senate in whose keeping the proposal was placed has not seen fit to report. Announcement has now been made that hearings will be held on the plan Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

At its meeting on Monday, the Board of Governors considered the question of sufficient Club interest to justify the sending of a telegram to Senator George W. Pepper, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, as follows:

"The undersigned, charged with the proper direction of the largest civic body in this city interested in non-political and non-sectarian subjects do strongly urge upon you and your associates sincere consideration and favorable action upon the proposal of the late President Harding that the United States participate actively in the World Court.

CITY CLUB BOARD OF GOVERNORS."

The action of the Board will be presented for the approval of the Club, Friday.

On "Mothers Day" in Oregon, subscriptions will be taken by churches in every city and hamlet for the building of another cottage at the Children's Farm Home near Corvallis. The fourth cottage is urgently needed to care for the increasing number of applicants. This Mothers' Day gift may be sent to the nearest church or to the Farm Home office, 615 Stock Exchange Building, Portland.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

W. S. BABSON

President, Peerless Pacific Co.
Plumbing Supplies

ROBT. J. LEWIS

Construction and Design

E. H. MACDANIELS

U. S. Forest Examiner

CHARLES C. SCOTT

Draftsman, Northwestern Electric Co.

Proposed by L. D. Bosley, Carl Zook,
F. H. Brundage, and D. F. McCurrach.

The Club year is just beginning—there is no better time than now to turn in the application of a new member.

NOTED VISITOR SPEAKS

W. F. Hypes, sales manager for the wholesale department of Marshall Field & Co., of Chicago, was the distinguished guest of the City Club last week and addressed a representative audience of Portland business men on "The Human Element in Business," drawing particularly on his experience as president of the Chicago Y. M. C. A., the largest of its kind in the world.

On the eve of an expansion campaign in Portland which seeks to double the capacity of the local Y. M. C. A., Mr. Hypes told of the first great campaign in Chicago which started that "Y" on the road to becoming the strongest and best organized. A million dollars was asked for and the business men rallied so quickly to the support of the cause that the amount was well over-subscribed. Not content with a seemingly inclusive city-wide service the Chicago "Y" recently conducted a survey to check up on the extent of its work. To the consternation of the directors it was found to include only 15% of the city.

A twenty million dollar expansion campaign has now been started to raise that service well toward 90%.

Yet, here in Portland the "Y" has been permitted to be overtaxed for ten years, having insufficient space to adequately serve its membership. Mr. Hypes' closing challenge was that character, rather than factories and industries make a city, and that to neglect the Y. M. C. A., is to neglect the most vital character-forming association a city can possess.

Many City Club members are serving on the teams taking part in the local Expansion Campaign.

The great Japanese earthquake in addition to destroying a vast amount of commercial property, also wiped out a number of libraries which years were spent in collecting and which formed the foundation for much educational work. The finest law library in Japan was destroyed, as well as other technical institutions. City Club members who have extra law books, or engineering texts, are urged to donate them to the cause by leaving them at the Japanese Consulate, 208 Henry Building.

Three invitations to the City Club in one week from other organizations constitute a record. Perhaps we are being discovered!

HIKING TRIPS

In view of the proposed "assault" on Mt. Hood by the City Club in July, several members have been inquiring concerning hiking trips to get in condition. Under the direction of the Local Walks Committee, trips are taken each week-end of the year by the Mazama Club and since nearly all of these are open to the public, brief notices will be given occasionally in the *Bulletin*.

For instance, next Sunday, a party will leave the Union Station at 7:30 A. M., buying round-trip tickets to St. Cloud, Wash., (\$1.95), for a visit to Archer Falls and a scramble up the bluffs on the west side of Archer creek. Each member of the party provides his or her own commissary and the club furnishes coffee. Heavy shoes and outing clothing are necessary for this trip, which is one that will provide thrills. The train returns to Portland at 7:50 P. M.

Sunday, May 11th, the Mazamas leave the Union Station at 8:15, buying round trip tickets to Scappoose. This will be an interesting tramp of ten miles cross country and along old roads and trails.

Call the City Club Office for further information. Try one of these trips and you will go often.

BOYS WANTED

The object of the Citizens' Military Training Camps is to bring together annually for a month's training, the best representative young American citizens from all sections of the nation; to give them a basis of military instruction, and that physical and moral development that will fit them to become influential leaders in their respective communities in times of peace and war; to inculcate stronger patriotism and a wholesome respect for discipline and obedience to constituted authority, and to teach them their serious duties, responsibilities and obligations to home and country.

A City Club committee is seeking to do a share of the work by inducing members who have boys between the ages of 17 and 24 to register for the encampment at Camp Lewis, July 19th to July 25th. All of the expenses are paid by the government for this period. For further information call Brwy. 5105.

City Club bowlers were forced to be content with second honors in the Club League which closed two weeks ago. Rose City took first place by winning the last three games from the Club team.

THE QUESTION OF PASTEURIZED MILK

PORTLAND has long been recognized as a city with an unusually pure and rich milk supply. The principal contributing factors have been, favorable climatic conditions, uncontaminated water supply, green fodder for herds, dairies adjacent to city thereby doing away with long hauls, and joined with a rigid inspection of dairies and products by the proper authorities. Yet, the question has arisen: Is Portland doing all that it should do to safeguard its milk supply? At this point, opinion is divided on the advisability of pasteurization of milk as that final safety test.

Realizing the importance of the question and the interest City Club members generally will have in seeing it analyzed, the Milk Committee called a conference of representatives of various organizations last week to discuss the various phases of pasteurization. Some of the facts brought out and the attitude of the group toward them are herewith reported.

Milk is judged, or inspected, on the basis of richness, cleanliness, sweetness and safety. The minimum butter-fat requirement for Portland of approximately 3.5 is one of name only, for the actual butter-fat average of the entire milk supply is well above 4.2. Close inspections of dairies and product have resulted in a remarkably clean milk for Portland, as shown by the sediment test. Through the city laboratory an actual count is kept on the bacterial content of the milk, and dairies are rated accordingly and their ratings published. For additional safety we have the requirement that herds shall be given the tuberculin test.

Pasteurization has been adopted by 25 of the largest cities as the final safeguard for milk *in addition to the above tests*. To pasteurize milk does not mean that precautions as to cleanliness will be dropped forthwith.

Of the diseases which may be spread through milk, septic sore throat is the most directly fatal. Such an epidemic started through one of Portland's finest raw milk dairies two years ago and before it could be curbed resulted in over 400 cases and 22 deaths. Typhoid is also easily spread through milk, one such epidemic resulting in 15 cases and 3 deaths here recently. Scarlet fever and diphtheria are other epidemics which may be spread by infected milk.

Epidemics play a minor role, however, so far as the general welfare of the public is concerned. Tuberculosis is the disease that, through milk, needs to be the most guarded against. After New York required 98% of its

milk to be pasteurized there was a great reduction in bone and glandular tuberculosis cases. In spite of a constant inspection of herds about Portland, there has been an average of 250 cows taken from these herds each year because of the presence of tuberculosis, a fact indicating that raw milk can never be at all times free from the danger of tuberculosis.

It is reported by J. C. Bartlett in the October 1923, *Journal of Public Health*, that in thousands of raw milk samples, 50% showed the presence of tuberculosis, but that not one such sample was found in pasteurized milk. The tuberculosis organism is the first to be destroyed by pasteurization—the heating of milk for thirty minutes at a temperature of 42 to 45 degrees. It was also pointed out that the bacteria in milk, both good and bad, consists of vegetable organisms and are not "bugs."

Pasteurization was first used in Chicago in 1910 and in New York in 1911. The epidemic of 1911 in Chicago was caused by milk from a pasteurizing plant which had broken down and distributed its milk raw during a four-day period. This was a time in the development of pasteurization when improved methods were unknown and it is worth remembering that no similar epidemics have since occurred from pasteurized milk, while, epidemics coming through the use of raw milk are a weekly occurrence throughout the country.

There are twenty-two pasteurizing plants in Portland which distribute 60% of the city's milk supply, using 65 trucks. The remaining 40% of the milk is distributed by over 200 rigs, showing that the raw milk is distributed at greater cost.

Certified Milk is produced under rigid sanitary requirements which increases the cost of the product—and then cannot be considered absolutely safe. Nearly all cities which compel the pasteurization of milk, permits the distribution of certified milk.

The City Club of St. Louis will dedicate with appropriate ceremonies its new two million dollar home early this month and it is expected that Theodore Roosevelt will deliver the principal address. The City Club of Portland has been invited to send a representative. The Board has appointed and authorized C. C. Cook, who will be in St. Louis this month, to represent the City Club.

Don't forget the University Club luncheon today noon—and attend early.