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## OLEO CROWDING OUT BUTTER.

Substitute's Sales Increase Hundred  
Fold—Latter's Price Too High.

Says the New York Times: "The continued rise in the price of butter, with no sign of a drop in the near future, is causing the manufacturers and dealers in oleomargarine to rejoice. They say that all their product needs to win recognition by the public is a trial, and because of the present high prices of butter the number of people who accept the substitute is daily increasing. The state authorities are receiving many applications for dealers to sell the product. It is retailed for 25 cents or less per pound, while the best butter now costs 40 cents.

"The manager of the grocery department of a large department store said yesterday that its business in oleomargarine has greatly increased in the last few weeks. In the last year, he said, the sales of oleo or butterine, as the oleomargarine is called, have increased a hundredfold.

"Oleo must be labeled 'oleomargarine' in letters of a size large enough to be easily seen, and it must not be colored. An arrest was made in Brooklyn Friday for peddling oleo as the 'best dairy butter.' Frank Jones, who gave his address as Jersey City, was in charge of a wagon containing several hundred pounds of the butter substitute. It is said that he tore off that part of the label containing the name oleomargarine before selling it. Jones was arraigned before Commissioner Benedict and held in \$1,000 bail for the grand jury."

## A Stringent Law.

Justices of the peace are bearing in mind that under the provisions of an act of assembly, approved by Governor Stuart, May 8, 1909, persons making charges of threat and surety of the peace may be committed to jail in default of payment of costs, if the magistrate finds upon hearing the evidence that the complainant is in no danger as to person and property. The preamble sets forth that the practice of bringing unwarranted actions has become so common as to burden the Commonwealth with unnecessary costs that the magistrates are enjoined to carefully hear the evidence and, if it be found that the complaint is without just grounds the costs may be imposed upon either of the parties or divided between them in any proportion that the magistrate may think just, and in the event that payment is refused the delinquent may be committed.

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## WASHINGTON

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 14, 1909.

Congress is again in session at the Capitol of the United States or rather it was in session until it adjourned. Seldom has there been a tamer opening of the National legislative body. There was not a suggestion of sensationalism. A little irony perhaps in the motion to print the President's Winona speech the one in which he endorsed what has been characterized as the Cannon and Aldrich fake tariff reform bill. And this was intensified when an amendment carried with it the printing of Cannon's speech in which he read the Insurgents out of the party. The President's message was the tamest received by Congress in eight years. Its reading had the effect to empty many seats in the House and Senate. Only a few members and Senators remained to hear it through. The document while devoid of any new and startling proposals is a safe and conservative state paper and quite up to the average of Presidential messages to Congress.

It is already given out that the President will soon send to Congress important supplementary messages and one relative to the Pinchot-Ballinger controversy in which it is stated that the Cabinet Officer will be re-exonerated is expected in a few days.

There are other Congresses in Washington which have before them work or enterprises of national importance. The Southern Congress with representatives from sixteen Southern states which has for its object the promotion of Southern trade and industry has well attended meetings in Willard's Hotel. The Senate and House of Representatives have adjourned from day to day in order that their members may be present at the deliberations of this Southern Convention and also at the sessions of the Waterways Improvement Convention which is represented here by it is said four thousand delegates. It is their wish to have Congress issue half a billion in bonds at the rate of fifty millions a year for ten years but the President in his address before this body expressed his disapproval at this time of that scheme. The Southern Congress has purchased ground on one of the most valuable corners in the city and will erect there a building costing more than one million of dollars to be used for offices and as a kind of club house for the promotion of the objects of the Southern organization. This brings to mind another enterprise and a crying need in the city of Washington, a permanent hall or temple to be used by the hundreds of conventions and visiting organizations that come to the national Capital for counsel and deliberation. The city of Washington has made more than one abortive effort to build a Convention Hall but a great portion of the population of Washington is made up of Government clerks on small salaries and fully one third of the population is of ninety thousand of Africans, the most degenerate and physically and spiritually anemic mob that can be found anywhere in the world. This is not exaggeration or mere assertion. It is a statement borne out by the census report and demonstrable by charity, health office statistics and police court records. There are in this city some wealthy residents, men who have made fortunes elsewhere who have retired to Washington as a home. These subscribed liberally to the Convention Hall project as did also the proprietors of the larger hotels but there was not sufficient in subscription to carry out an enterprise requiring at least two millions of dollars. Secretary Root and other distinguished men have suggested a plan to raise the money by small subscriptions from all the people of the United States. A postage stamp from the ninety millions of people composing the population of the United States and territories it has been said would build in Washington a convention temple of the states and furnish a home as it were, in this peculiarly national city, for the many visiting organizations that come to Washington.

It is somewhat unusual for another congress in Washington to eclipse the regular Congress at the Capitol, but this is the actual situation at this writing. The Waterway Congress or convention holding its sessions in the banquet room on the eighth story of the Willard Hotel is looked upon as a gathering of pre-eminent national importance, and at the opening of its sessions yesterday, the Congress at the Capitol having adjourned, the President of the United States, foreign ambassadors, and many senators and representatives in Congress were present. President Taft made the opening address and ex-

## GRANGERS' CONVENTION.

Three Days' Program Arranged for Annual Meeting of State Organization.

All the arrangements have been completed for the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania State Grange at State College, beginning Tuesday, December 21, and continuing three days. The indications are that it will be the largest assemblage in the history of the organization. Thousands of persons representing every county in the State are expected to attend, and the program for each day's session will be replete with matters particularly interesting to those engaged in agriculture, horticulture and kindred subjects.

In connection with the meeting there will be held the third annual educational exhibit of the Department of Horticulture. The display last year was probably the finest ever held in the State, and the prospects are good for a better exhibit this year. Orchard and garden products of Pennsylvania will be shown, while the horticultural show and the display of farm, garden and dairy implements will be larger than ever.

There is also to be a butter scoring contest. Each sample will be carefully judged by experts, who will, besides giving the score, also point out as far as possible, the reasons for the defects and make suggestions as to improving the quality. It is the purpose of the department to make the work entirely educational.

Wednesday evening during the Grange session will be devoted to a public meeting to be opened with music. The program will be as follows: Address of welcome in behalf of the Centre County Pomona Grange, No. 13, by Leonard Rhone, past master of the Pennsylvania State Grange; response, State Master W. T. Creasy; dramatic recitation, Miss Williams Anderson; address in behalf of State College town; response by J. T. Ailman, State secretary; address in behalf of the State College, President Edwin E. Sparks; response, John A. McSpartan, secretary of the Legislative Committee of the State Grange.

The exhibition of agricultural products, electrical appliances and agricultural inventions will be open to the public during the entire week.

The dairy building of State College, which is one of the best equipped of the kind in the United States will be open to members, who will have an opportunity of witnessing students at work making butter and cheese.

There will also be an exhibition in one of the buildings of many articles of interest to the farmer and the farmer's wife, particularly in machines that make the burden of housekeeping less irksome.

Persons going to the State Grange will be transferred at Bellefonte to the Bellefonte Central Railroad and taken by special train to State College.

## You All Know Them.

An exchange truthfully remarks, "There are a few people in every place (and pretty nice people too) who will enter a grocery store, run their fingers into a barrel and top up a couple of ounces of sugar, nibble at the back of a herring, eat a handful of nuts, cut off a slice of cheese, just to taste, then, as a matter of course must take a few crackers; and perhaps before they make up their mind to buy a bar of soap they have eaten up the profits on \$2 worth of groceries, and to wind it all up they have it charged, and the poor merchant perhaps realizes a profit of one cent. They leave the store munching a couple of apples. This is no dream but a reality, except some times they don't buy any soap. But such is life."

pressed himself in favor of a national system of waterways, but advised against urging an immediate issue of 500,000,000 in bonds. President Taft has considerably improved as a speaker. He speaks with ease, he talks with ease and without embarrassment. Perhaps the greatest fault in his style is an apparent lack of seriousness, an apparent impression that a story or joke is necessary to ingratiate himself, and put him en rapport with his audience. This detracts from the dignity and seriousness of any subject upon which he may speak, and is in strong contrast with the earnest and convincing style of his predecessor. Any one will seek in vain in all the speeches of Roosevelt for any desire or attempt to be funny or flattering. It is difficult for one to believe that a man is thoroughly in earnest when he can turn aside to be funny.

Children Cry  
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