

State Food Commissioner Tells All About Butter.

In His Report to the Governor, John Peterson Gives Information That the Good Housewife Should Peruse.

John Peterson, state food and dairy inspector, has submitted his report to Governor Cutler, in response to the communication of his excellency asking that an investigation of the existence of an alleged "butter trust" in Salt Lake City be made. Mr. Peterson charges in his report that statements contained upon the packages of butter are misleading in many instances. The report is as follows:

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 14, 1908. Governor John C. Cutler, Salt Lake City, Utah:

Dear Sir—In compliance with your communication of Dec. 8, asking an investigation of the following charges, made by the Salt Lake newspapers, in the following words:

"Again, we are informed that the creameries here, which are in the trust, are importing from the east second and third-rate butter, churning and making it over, and putting it out as fresh butter, right from the creamery."

"I herewith submit the following report of the investigation:

The subject under consideration has resolved itself under the following head: Are certain creameries here in a trust? Are they importing from the east second and third-rate butter? Are they churning and making it over and putting it out as fresh butter from the creamery? As the second and third questions come directly under my supervision, I will give these first consideration.

I find the following conditions to exist in the Jensen Creamery company: They are at the present time making up four brands and three grades of butter—the Blanchard, Gold Coin, Eureka and Hazelnut. The printed matter on the Blanchard carton reads as follows:

"Blanchard butter. Our quality reasons: Tested cows, clean dairies, separated milk, pasteurized cream, sanitary creameries, thorough refrigeration, Danish buttermakers, modern methods, and air-tight packages. Put up December."

"We desire to give the customers of Blanchard the best and freshest butter produced. Each package is dated. Watch the date and see that it is not over a week old. Churned daily. Fifteen-sixteen ounces."

Remarks: The cream out of which this butter is made is gathered from the various points of Utah and Idaho. It is pasteurized, churned into butter with modern machinery and under sanitary conditions. Wholesale price, 34 cents. Gold Coin brand is the same as the butter of the Blanchard brand, only that it does not bear the date when churned; wholesale price, 34 cents. The Eureka brand is a second-grade butter. The carton reads as follows:

PASTEURIZED BRAND. Eureka. Trade mark registered. Pasteurized butter. Cleanliness. Our special appliances enable us to deliver the butter from the churn to your table in the original package, without in any way handling the contents. Compare our method with the old way and think it over. Eureka standard pasteurized butter will satisfy you every day in the year. It will be sold at a popular price, and if quality and cost are considered, you will use no other. Remember, this butter is guaranteed

satisfactory, or your money is refunded. Jensen Creamery company, Salt Lake City. Fifteen-sixteen ounces."

Remarks: The Eureka butter during the summer months is produced from a second-grade cream. In the fall of the year, when the cream has become scarce, the Eureka butter is made from fresh eastern and western storage butter. In view of the facts, the statement from the carton which reads, "Our special appliances enable us to deliver the Eureka butter from the churn to the table," is a misrepresentation, as Eureka butter as now sold does not enter the churn, but is made from large cubes of butter received from eastern factories. Wholesale price, 34 cents.

Hazelnut—A third-grade butter. On the carton is printed the following: "Hazelnut brand. Trade mark registered. Is contained in a moisture-proof package, which retains all the delicate flavor and sweetness of this butter. As good as we can make it. Made from pure cream, aerated and handled according to the best scientific methods of butter-making regardless of expense. Guaranteed. If quality of this butter is not satisfactory package can be returned to our office. Fifteen-sixteen ounces. Jensen Creamery company, Salt Lake City."

Remarks: Hazelnut is made from a mixture of Utah storage butter and the outside of the cubes of eastern Eureka butter. The outside of the Eureka butter comes into contact with the wooden container of the cubes, which imparts a wood or off flavor to the butter. In my opinion, the statements "as good as we can make it" and "made from pure cream" are misleading and intended to deceive the consumer, as it is made from inferior Utah cream and storage butter mixed with the inferior part of the eastern butter.

SELS THREE GRADES. The Elgin dairy sells three grades and brands of eastern butter, namely: Elgin Special, Excelsior and Arctic. The printing on the Elgin Special carton reads as follows: "Elgin Special butter. Pasteurized. Elgin's products are made in clean, sanitary creamery, handled under the best improved methods and guaranteed pure and wholesome. The butter contained in this package is made from first quality cream, pasteurized, and handled in the best scientific methods. Elgin Dairy, Creamery & Supply company, Salt Lake City, Utah. This package contains fifteen and one-half (15 1/2) ounces."

Remarks: This butter is made from first class sweet cream from Utah and Idaho points. Wholesale price, 34 cents. Excelsior brand—The following printed matter is on the carton: "Excelsior brand pasteurized butter. The butter contained in this package is made from first quality cream, pasteurized and handled in the best scientific method. Contained 15 1/2 ounces when made. Elgin products are made in a clean, sanitary creamery and under the best improved methods and guaranteed to be pure and wholesome."

Remarks: This butter is made from our cream gathered from Utah and Idaho points and is of inferior quality. In my opinion, the statement "made from first quality cream" is deceptive, as it is acknowledged to be a grade inferior to the Elgin Special brand. Wholesale price, 30 cents per pound. Arctic brand—Of third grade. Carton

reads: Arctic brand butter. The butter contained in this package is June pack, made from pasteurized cream, handled under the latest improved methods, put away immediately after churning and kept at zero until shipped. June cream makes best butter."

Remarks: The number of ounces of butter, also the name of the maker, is omitted on the carton wrapper, which omission is a violation of the statutes of our state, chapter 99, section 1, which reads: "On each package of butter manufactured and offered or exposed for sale in the State of Utah there shall be stamped upon the wrapper or package the name of the maker thereof, with address of same and the actual number of ounces contained in said wrapper or package at the time it was manufactured."

HOLLEY'S ESTABLISHMENT. John Holley & Co. sell two grades and brands of butter, Eagle and Gilt Edge. The carton wrapper on the Eagle brand reads: "Eagle brand creamery butter. John Holley & Co., Salt Lake City. Packaged exclusively for export trade. Pasteurized. High-grade creamery butter, made for John Holley & Co., 51 Richards street, Salt Lake City. Creamery butter made from whole milk, pasteurized, and purity guaranteed. 16 ounces."

Remarks: This butter is made by various creameries in various points in Utah and Idaho, and is sold on commission. Wholesale price, 30 cents per pound. Gilt Edge brand—This has the following on its carton wrapper: "Gilt Edge creamery butter, pasteurized and absolutely pure. A high-grade butter at moderate price. Sold wholesale by John Holley & Co., Richards street, Salt Lake City, Utah, 16 ounces."

Remarks: This butter is made from Utah storage butter. Wholesale price, 25 cents per pound. J. M. Christensen Creamery company, West Temple street, sells two brands and grades of butter, Meadow View and Cloverdale. Carton wrapper on Meadow View reads as follows: "Meadow View creamery butter, sold by J. M. Christensen Creamery Co., Salt Lake City. To preserve the quality of the butter, keep unused portion inside of carton. 15 ounces net. Made from Utah cream."

Remarks: This butter is made by creameries in various parts of Utah. Wholesale price, 30 cents per pound. Cloverdale brand, or second grade—The carton reads as follows: "This butter is fine and wholesome. Made from fresh cream and handled under the best sanitary conditions. 15-16 ounces."

Remarks: Cloverdale is made from Utah storage butter churned last June. In my opinion this butter is misbranded and tends to deceive the public, the label indicates that it is fresh butter made from fresh cream. Wholesale price, 25 cents per pound. CACHE COUNTY CONCERN. Cache Valley Condensed Creamery company—This company puts out but one grade and one brand of butter, Royal brand, which is made from cream from Utah and Idaho. Wholesale price, 30 cents per pound. The Utah Creamery company makes four grades or brands of butter: Nisis, Puritan, Morning Glory and Sunset. The Nisis carton wrapper reads as follows: "The Nisis Nisis creamery butter. Sold by Utah Creamery company, 134 west Second South, Salt Lake City. Package contains 16 ounces gross, 15 ounces net when made."

Remarks: Nisis butter is made from fresh cream and is shipped from their creameries in cubes to the Utah Creamery company in Salt Lake City. Here it is cut up into packages and sold wholesale at 30 cents per pound. Puritan brand—The following appears upon the wrapper: "Puritan creamery butter. Sold by Utah Creamery company, 134 west Second South, Salt Lake City. Package contains 16 ounces gross, 15 ounces net, when made."

Remarks: Puritan brand is made from the outside of the cubes of the Nisis butter. It absorbs more or less of the flavor of the wood containers. It also may be made from storage butter. Price, wholesale, 25 cents per pound.

Morning Glory brand—The following appears on the wrapper: "Morning Glory butter. Pure and sweet. Sold by the Utah Creamery company, 134 west Second South street, Salt Lake City, Utah, 16 ounces gross, 15 ounces net, when made."

Remarks—Morning Glory brand may be made either of Utah or eastern storage butter. Price, wholesale, 25 cents per pound. Sunset—Fourth-grade butter. On the wrapper reads the following: "Sunset butter. Sold by the Utah Creamery company, 134 west Second South street, Salt Lake City, Utah; 15 ounces when made."

Remarks—This brand of butter is made from the outside trimmings of the cubes of Morning Glory butter and is an inferior grade of butter. Wholesale price, 24 cents per pound. NELSON & RICKS. Nelson & Ricks—This firm is putting out two grades and brands of butter, namely: Gold Nugget and Walnut Creamery. On the wrapper of the Gold Nugget butter reads the following: "Gold Nugget. Made from pure cream, pasteurized and guaranteed to be fresh from the churn every day. Contains 15 1/2 ounces when made. Nelson & Ricks, Salt Lake City, Utah."

Remarks—This butter is made at various creameries in Utah and sent to Nelson & Ricks, who handle it on commission. As but few creameries are equipped with pasteurizers, it is doubtful whether all of this butter is pasteurized. It is also doubtful if it reaches the consumer "fresh from the churn every day." The wholesale price is 30 cents per pound. Walnut Creamery Butter—The printed matter reads as follows: "Walnut Creamery butter. Distributed by Nelson & Ricks, Salt Lake City, Utah, 15 1/2 ounces."

Remarks—This brand of butter is old and of inferior quality. Wholesale price, 25 cents per pound. In conclusion—In answer to the question, "Are certain creameries importing from the east second and third-rate butter?" It is evident from the above that large quantities of butter have been shipped and imported from the eastern factories, mostly in large cubes; that these cubes are cut up and made into two grades of butter. Neither of the grades is first-class butter.

In answer to the question, "Are certain creameries churning and making it over and putting it out as fresh butter?" Most of the butter is made from the cubes of eastern storage butter and sold without re-churning, but is reworked very often with inferior grades of Utah butter, and sold to the consumer as butter being made from pure cream and "delivered direct from the churn."

SPIRITUALIST WANTS SECRET. Jupiter Brothers Refuse to Tell How They Do Their Trick.

The Jupiter Brothers who so mystified audiences at the Orpheum a week ago, and who bewildered keen detectives at the police station by performing their wonderful trick in ordinary street attire, and without the aid of any assistants, have set all Denver talking about them. Their trick, for it is a trick, of producing apparently human hands, and of bringing forth from the mysterious cabinet half a bushel of cut flowers, such as carnations, American beauty roses, lilies, etc., dripping with dew, is undoubtedly one of the cleverest performed on the American stage.

A friend of the mystic pair received a letter this morning from Denver which indicates the amount of interest created by their wonderful act, there. A prominent and wealthy Denver man has made the Jupiters an offer of \$50,000 in cash for the secret, and also a royalty on the proceeds. The cowboys are considering the offer and may take it after their contract with the Orpheum circuit has expired.

They are now on their way to Kansas City, having left Denver for that place. An interesting story is told in the letter about their experience in Denver, with a wealthy spiritualist for whom

they gave a private performance, as they did for the local police department. The man was so mystified and was so certain that it was what he termed spiritualism he made them a big cash offer to prove to him that it was a trick. Of course to do this would be to lose their secret and they declined.

"I am a believer in spiritualism," said the man, "and if what you do is a trick then I have no more faith in spiritualism." The Jupiters explained that to "show him" would be to part with their secret which was of far more value to them than to shatter the man's faith in spooks.

WOMEN INSTALL OFFICERS. The following officers were installed last evening by the Mizpah chapter of the Eastern Star, in Masonic hall: Worthy matron, Mrs. Elizabeth R. Schramm; worthy patron, Mrs. Belle Herwood; associate matron, Mrs. Belle Browning; secretary, Mrs. Flora E. Sinclair; treasurer, Miss Adelle B. Loftus; conductress, Mrs. Lavina Brown; associate conductress, Mrs. Willie Clay Keyes; marshal, Mrs. W. E. Bailey; organist, Mrs. Lilla E. Treasurer; chaplain, Miss Sallie Houghton; Ada, Mrs. Eugenia Carr; Ruth, Mattie B. Prosser; Esther, Minnie M. Coleman; Martha, Mrs. Minnie Duval; Electa, Mrs. Elizabeth Moser; warren, Mrs. Isabelle Anderson; sentinel, J. T. McDonald; Mrs. C. I. McInnes, acting grand marshal, was presented with a symbolic Scottish Rite ring. A banquet concluded the evening.

FIREMAN LOSES FOOT. Earl P. Cross, a R.G.W. fireman, lost a foot in a collision accident at Garfield yesterday. A freight train on which he was riding collided with a switch engine, the two engines telescoping, and the foot of the unfortunate man was caught in such a way that it was completely mashed, and amputation was effected at St. Mark's hospital later in the day.

It seems that trains are run without a schedule west of the Garfield smelter, and the accident happened at a curve. Yarimaster W. S. Berry and Henry Arnold, foreman of the switch-engine, jumped when they saw the inevitable crash. The freight train crew was not so lucky. Fireman Cross, acting grand marshal, was in Salt Lake, though who they were is not known at Rhyolite. The remains were shipped to Auburn, N. Y., for interment.

RICHARD COLLIVER KILLED. Earl Farish, writing to the "News" from Rhyolite, Nev., gives particulars of the death at that place of Richard Colliver, who was shot by highwaymen on the night of Dec. 12. Colliver, who was working at the Homestake mine, drew his pay, \$14.50, and was on his way home when attacked. He showed fight when told to throw up his hands, and was shot five times. One bullet hit him near the heart, another through the shoulder, one in the jaw, another tore off his ear and the fifth went through his hat. The man lived for some time, but did not speak after he was shot. Colliver had friends in Salt Lake, though who they were is not known at Rhyolite. The remains were shipped to Auburn, N. Y., for interment.

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