

MILK COMMISSION MEETS.

Judson Welliver, of Washington, Addresses Dairy Men at Baltimore.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 18.—The Tri-State Milk Commission of Maryland, Pennsylvania and Delaware met Wednesday and began an investigation of production costs, distribution costs and disposal of byproducts, &c.

Judson C. Welliver, a Washington writer, made an address advocating a municipal monopoly of milk distribution in large cities. Mr. Welliver spoke as chairman of the Maryland and Virginia Milk Association. He has a large dairy farm in Montgomery county. The commission found that the main plea of the dairymen is that "it is impossible to expect people to produce milk with world conditions such that farmers get prices for wheat and other products which make it unprofitable for them to devote their labor to dairying."

The commission is composed of Dr. Clyde L. King, chairman, and four from each State. The appointments were made by the governors. The next session will be held in Philadelphia.

SAVED FROM JAWS OF A BEAR

Brother Struck Enraged Brute With Ax and Rescued Ellery Harer.

Williamsport (Pa.) Dispatch to New York World.

Ammon Harer, a farmer living near Liberty, saved the life of his brother Ellery (who lay prostrate under a wounded bear, which was tearing and chewing the man's arm) by striking the animal on the head with an ax.

The exciting battle occurred on the Harer farm recently. As Ellery Harer opened the kitchen door at his farm home to investigate a peculiar noise he was confronted by a large black bear only a few feet from the doorstep. The farmer jumped back into the house and slammed the door almost in the face of the bear.

Armed with a gun containing one shell he partly opened the door and fired. The shot wounded the bear, which turned and disappeared down a gully below the house.

Harer, carrying his gun with five shells—all the ammunition in the house—and his brother, armed with an ax, followed. They soon overtook the bear. Harer pumped the remainder of the ammunition into bruin's body and the enraged animal turned on him.

Raising itself the animal struck Harer with a front paw, tearing the flesh off his arm. As the bear struck both fell, the man under the bear. The man was held a prisoner as the bear tore and bit at his bleeding arm, until his brother rushed to his rescue and with a blow with the ax on the bear's head killed it.

CAN'T SHIP CHRISTMAS TREES

New Jersey Quarantine Against Gypsy Moth Area Is Rigid.

Trenton (N. J.) Dispatch to N. Y. Tribune.

Christmas trees probably will be scarce this year as a result of the State department of agriculture's declaration of a quarantine against Christmas trees and greens cut in the moth quarantine area of New England. According to the department the quarantine has been established as a precaution against the brown tail and the gypsy moth in the State.

The Federal and State governments are expending \$1,000,000 a year in an effort to prevent the increase and spread of these destructive moths. It is known that egg masses of the gypsy moth may be carried through the medium of Christmas trees.