

a continuation of such practises as he may have been found committing, and is given an opportunity to make the changes considered necessary by this department in order that satisfactory work might be done. It has been found necessary to revoke the licenses of a few operators who failed to heed the warning given.

Whenever a station is found with faulty or inadequate equipment a notification is mailed to the company responsible. Satisfactory cooperation has been given by most of the creameries, and suggested changes or improvements have, as a rule, been readily made.

The following rules and regulations govern the work of licensed testers and of operators holding permits, and these requirements are strictly enforced:

1. It shall be unlawful for any operator buying and paying for milk or cream on the basis of the amount of butter fat contained therein to under-read, over-read, or otherwise fraudulently manipulate the Babcock test for butter fat, or to falsify the record thereof.

2. It shall be unlawful to read the test at any temperature except the correct temperature, which is 135 to 140 degrees Fahrenheit. In this connection the hot water bath shall be used, the hot water shall surround the entire length of the fat column in the neck of the test bottle, and the test shall remain in the bath not less than three minutes in warm weather, nor less than five minutes in cold weather, before being read.

3. It is hereby provided that each day's milk or cream samples shall be held, plainly numbered, securely sealed, and kept separate from all other samples until the end of the following day, when they may be emptied. At any cream station not operated daily the cream samples may be emptied at the close of the buying day. Samples obtained on Saturday may also be emptied at the close of that day.

4. It is further provided that if, at the close of any testing day, any held-over cream is on hand, the amount of butter fat contained therein shall be determined by weight and test, and a record thereof entered on the next daily report sheet.