ROAD TO ORGANIZE BOYS' CORN CLUB

O.-W. R. & N. Plans to Ask Oregon, Washington and Idaho to Help.

COMPANY TO SUPPLY SEED

Traffic Manager Instructs Agriculturists to Urge Plan Before Officials of States — Cash Prizes to Be Given.

A boys' corn club is to be organized in every country school district in Oregon, Washington and Idaho served by the O.-W. R. & N. Co. lines, according to plans being made by R. B. Miller, traffic manager of the company.

Mr. Miller has instructed C. L. Smith, agriculturist for the company, to cooperate with state officials in each of the three states with the idea of having them give official indorsement to the plan. He hopes to have the department of education in each state co-operate with him in the work.

The O.-W. R. & N. Co. will give cash and other prizes in each county, but it is believed that the local bankers, merchants and farmers' organizations will supplement this with additional awards.

Corn clubs have worked wonderful results in other states; they have stimulated the production of corn and have encouraged boys, and girls, too, in agricultural pursuits.

Road Urges Corn Culture.

The O.-W. R. & N. Co. recently has conducted a series of corn shows in the Northwest with corn grown from seed which it distributed free to the farmers last Spring. Now, to give further impetus to corn culture in the Northwest, it proposes to conduct these contests among the boys.

"We haven't completed plans yet," said Mr. Miller yesterday, "but I have had the subject under consideration for quite a while.

"We are certain that the Northwest is the greatest corn-growing section of the United States and want to encourage the farmers as well as their sons in the work."

Mr. Smith already has taken steps to have the state officials of Washington give the plan their official indorsement and will attend a meeting at Olympia this week to discuss the project further.

Company to Supply Seed.

The company will supply acclimated seed to boys who enter into the contests. It will supply seed, also, to farmers who want to grow corn on their own places. All those farmers who grew corn this year have arranged to sell seed to other farmers next Spring at a nominal price.

Mr. Smith returned yesterday from Seattle, where he exhibited the prize corn shown in Portland a few weeks ago. More than 15,000 persons saw the exhibition. All, he reports, are interested in corn culture.

In its seed distribution planned for next Spring the company agrees to buy all the corn grown from this seed that in turn can be used for seed and to pay for it at the rate of $50 per ton. Farmers are required to sell it to the company or to their neighbors at this figure. This is one of the conditions that must be met before the seed is distributed.

BEALL & CO. GIVE DINNER

Employes and Stockholders of Firm Attend Annual Banquet.

As has been their custom for many years, Beall & Co. tendered their annual banquet to their stockholders and employes in the rooms of the Portland Commercial Club the night of December 29.

John S. Beall acted as toastmaster for the evening and everyone present had something to say for the best interest of the firm they represent. The past year's business was discussed and plans were outlined for making 1914 the banner year.

The following members of the firm and employes were present: John S. Beall, E. H. Beall, W. C. Feenaughty, T. J. Patterson, J. B. Jarmin, H. W. Ireland, B. G. Danley, J. L. Latture, J. I. Overman, W. B. Jamison, A. C. Curnow, C. J. Cramer, C. A. Feenaughty, Hugh Junor, Miss Agnes Loftus, Miss Dorothy Branham, Miss Anna Luedke, Mrs. C. Cuthbert, Mrs. J. I. Overman, Mrs. N. Berkshire, Alex Donaldson, Ray Kuhlman, H. Werkentine, A. L. Gage, W. D. Conn, C. P. Quinlin and J. P. Pasquil.

STAR IN THEATRICAL WORLD TO FLIT FROM SHOWHOUSE TO SHOWHOUSE TONIGHT AT NEW YEAR'S MATINEE.

MISS ALICE LLOYD.

51 POSTERS ARE IN

Committee Opens Designs in Rose Festival Contest.

BEAUTY OF MANY MARKED

Selection Is to Be Made by Elimination and Winner Announced January 10—22 Drawings Violate Specifications.

With 51 artists entering designs for the Rose Festival poster contest and the commencement of adjudication, the beauty and varied nature of the artistic efforts as a whole have forced upon directors of the Festival and judges of the contest the conclusion that the 1914 poster will be of unusual beauty.

Promptly at 2:15 o'clock yesterday, the time set for opening the designs submitted, C. C. Colt, president of the Rose Festival Association; C. V. Cooper, William F. Woodward, Franklin T. Griffith and J. A. Currey, composing the executive committee; A. C. Jackson, of the O.-W. R. & N.; D. C. Freeman, of the Seattle, Portland & Spokane; E. C. Robbins, Northern Pacific; H. Dickson, Great Northern, and Mark Woodruff, Portland, Eugene & Eastern, the publicity committee, began opening the designs. As each drawing was opened, the sealed envelope containing the name and address of the artist, was taken in charge by President Colt. Each drawing was numbered carefully, as was also the identification envelope. The 51 envelopes were placed in a safe and will not be opened until both committees have decided upon the winner.

In order to receive the work of local artists who had telephoned the Rose Festival headquarters that they would deliver designs in person, the office remained open until after 10 o'clock Monday night. Even this did not give the contestants time, for at least a dozen more designs were submitted yesterday. The artists were told the contest was closed, but insisted upon leaving their designs, nevertheless.

Adjudication will be by process of elimination at daily meetings of the adjudicatory committee, and while 22 entries were barred from the contest by reason of not coming up to the specifications announced, much of the rest of the time yesterday was devoted more to an artistic appraisal of the remaining entries than the more serious work of judging their relative merits.

This, however, will begin today and from now until January 10, when the winner will be announced, the committee will meet until it has come to a unanimous or nearly unanimous decision.

ANNUAL IN GREEN WRAPPERS.

The public is cautioned that only GREEN wrappers will be used on The Oregonian Annual, which will be on sale tomorrow. Wherever sold, ready for mailing, the Annual will be in GREEN wrappers.

ARLETA CONCERT DRAWS

Children at Social Center Entertainment Receive Candy.

The entertainment given by the Dramatic Club and vocal class of the Arleta School Social Center Friday night was a success in point of numbers and interest. Music was under the direction of Frederick E. Chapman and consisted of old-time songs.

"Our Christmas Eve" was given under the direction of Miss Allen Brong and received much applause. Both Miss Brong and Mr. Chapman, leaders of the music and dramatic classes of the social center, were active in making this first entertainment a success. A quantity of candy donated by Ira Purdin was handed out in bags to 200 children as they passed out of the hall.

The evening closed with a fire drill. The audience was instructed in the manner of responding to the fire signals as used in the day school, after which the bells were sounded, and all passed out quickly and in order. On all future public occasions the drill will be repeated so that the audience may become trained, thus avoiding possibility of a fire panic when the hall is filled.

The regular night school will reopen January 5. On the night of January 8, at 8 o'clock, the vocal class will reopen. Everyone in the community interested in music is invited to join this class and get the benefit of the instructions.

All the activities of the social center will be under way next week. The social center represents the first effort in the state to open the school buildings for the use of the entire community, with the result that about 1200 persons, children and parents, visit this school daily.

Soon after the reopening of the city schools classes in athletics will be opened for boys in the assembly hall, where the windows are being screened with wire netting for basketball and other games. Work is progressing on the new dining hall for the luncheons and it will be ready shortly after the first of the year. Girls of the ninth grade will assist at the luncheons hereafter. Mrs. L. E. Ward will be in charge.

The first lecture of the Reed College extension course will be given tonight in the assembly hall.

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Dainty Miss Lloyd will flit from the Orpheum to the Empress and thence to Pantages, singing a song or two in each theater, and then depart for Seattle on the train, which, by the grace of railroad officials, has been ordered held for one hour that Miss Lloyd might shine as the star of the midnight matinee for the T. M. A.

Frank Fogarty, the Dublin minstrel, and one of the most prominent artists associated with Miss Lloyd in her giant vaudeville show at the Hellig, will be the extra added attraction. Mr. Fogarty takes the place of Billy "Single" Clifford, who telegraphed from Astoria last night that it is doubtful whether he will arrive here in time to take part in the holiday show.

Third place in the midnight matinee will be filled by Mary Edgett Baker and her fellow players from the Baker Stock Company in "The Power of Speech," the sketch written for them by Melville Brown, assistant treasurer at the Baker. The following named Baker players will appear in support of Miss Baker: Walter Gilbert, Miss Nan Duncan and Kenneth Stuart.

Another local feature of interest will be the midnight matinee number to be contributed by Myrtle De Loy, prima donna at the Lyric, and her beauty chorus.

To handle the holiday crowds the traction company will operate a ten-minute service on all lines until 2 o'clock tomorrow morning and after 2 o'clock every line in the city will have owl cars. The midnight matinee curtain will rise at the Orpheum, Empress and Pantages at 11:30 o'clock and the three-ply show will be over about 2 o'clock.

The tickets, boxes, loges and all, sell at 50 cents each. The reservation will be continued at Huntley's drug store, Fourteenth and Washington streets, until 11 o'clock tonight, and tickets may be reserved also at the Orpheum, Empress and Pantages after 6 o'clock tonight.

MILK DECLARED WATERED

Creamery Men and City Inspectors to Discuss Situation.

Declaring that farmers outside the city are using the pump too freely in connection with their milk business, creamery and dairy companies of the city which receive and distribute the outside milk supply will hold a meeting with the milk and dairy inspection force of the City Health Bureau today to see what can be done.

Creameries and dairy concerns have been complaining for some time about the increased amount of watered milk being shipped in, and they declare they are powerless to check the trouble excepting by concerted action. It is probable that the milk inspection force will arrange a campaign looking to the condemnation of every drop of watered milk shipped in. The creameries are ready to co-operate.

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