

STATE FAIR VISITED BY BOOSTER CLUBS

1000 Uniformed Men Parade Over Grounds.

RACES DECLARED GOOD

Art Exhibits, Livestock, Horse Show and Big Dance Among Many Attractions.

BY W. A. PETTIT.
SALEM, Or., Sept. 27.—(Special.)—Members of booster organizations from various sections of Oregon and Washington, to the number of more than 1000, invaded the state fair grounds here today, took charge of the programme, and put over a series of entertaining and unprecedented events in the history of Oregon's great annual event.

It was booster day in every sense of the word, and the visiting organizations made their presence known by giving original yells, singing songs typical of their home communities and indulging in other demonstrations appropriate for such an occasion. Included among the visiting organizations were the Hibernians of Albany, Radiators of Eugene, Berrians of Newberg, Rosarians of Portland, Provincians of Vancouver, Wash., Cherrians of Salem and scattering delegations representing other clubs of the state.

Uniforms Are Worn.
The Hibernians were dressed in their attractive white suits, straw hats with blue band, and provided their own music with a group of saxophone artists. The Radiators appeared all "dolled up" in their tattle grey suits, while the Berrians wore distinctive red hats shaped and colored to represent a strawberry. The Rosarians, Cherrians and Provincians were attired in their marching suits of grey material. On the likeness of a rose worked in red, while on the sleeve of the Provincians' coats was a likeness of the pine.

The visiting organizations arrived at the fair grounds shortly after 10 o'clock, where they were formally welcomed by Charles E. Knowlton, King King of the Salem Cherrians. Stunts followed in front of the Cherrian headquarters, after which the visitors, headed by the Hibernian band, fell in line and paraded to all parts of the grounds. What was advertised as a Dutch lunch followed at noon. All units of the fair were honored guests at this event.

Races Are Witnessed.
This afternoon the boosters attended the race programme. Although clouds hung low over the track, the speed events were among the best witnessed here in recent years, and the grandstand was crowded to capacity. Other features this afternoon included a balloon ascension, airplane stunts by De Villiers, known as the "flying cowboy," and a concert by H. N. Stoudenmeyer's band of Portland. The afternoon programme was followed by a banquet served by the Salem Cherrians in honor of the visiting booster organizations.

Horse racing on an illuminated track was witnessed here tonight for the first time in the history of the Oregon state fair. Powerful searchlights played on the horses as they galloped around the track, and the excitement attending these events was even greater than prevailed at the official races held in the afternoon. These races will be held tonight until the conclusion of the fair.

Horse Show Is Staged.
Another added feature tonight was the horse show. There were 12 events, including four jumping numbers which brought the spectators to their feet. Features of the horse show were the "fire jump" and "handy hunters." Other amusements tonight include auto polo on Lone Oak track, in front of the grandstand, hand concerts, music by the Old Soldiers' Pipe and Drum corps, midway features, and dancing in the pavilion. To the latter event were admitted only members of the uniform booster organization and their partners.

Important among the attractions at this year's fair is the art department, under the direction of Mrs. Alice Welster of Portland. In this department are displayed portraits, landscapes, marines, photographs and miscellaneous exhibits relating to arts and crafts.

Paintings on Exhibit.
Of paramount importance and interest is the famous Beckwith collection, comprising copies of the old masters. This includes reproductions of the work of Velasquez, Rubens, Rembrandt, Hieronimo and a number of other painters of the world.

Mrs. Welster, who has charge of the art exhibit, was at one time a pupil of Mr. Beckwith.

Of special interest in the art division is the unique exhibit of Miss Margaret De Vos White, a young Portland artist who has exhibited a distinctive art in the creation of miniature bas-reliefs in colored wax. Children of prominent Portland families are represented, and the quite remarkable study of a middle-aged woman is also included.

Mrs. William G. Gattens has entered a portrait of Judge Gattens. She also has on exhibit a number of other charming canvases.

Art Students Exhibit.
Sidney Bell has sent a group of paintings that would do credit to an art exhibit anywhere. Clyde Leon Keller, also of Portland, has on display many new pictures. The Portland Art Museum students have a section in which still life, studies from life and decorative panels are featured. Mrs. J. Albert Jackson of Portland was to have assisted Mrs. Welster, but was unable to keep her appointment. Mrs. Irene Giacomini of Portland was substituted.

In the poultry exhibit today were found 1200 chickens, turkeys, geese and ducks, 250 pigeons, 300 rabbits and other representatives of this division. The poultry exhibit from the Washington state fair arrived here yesterday and breeders and fanciers from all parts of the west, middle west, and southeast are represented. The new poultry building is modern in every particular and the wire show cages have proved a great advantage over the coops formerly assigned to this department.

Judging Is Begun.
The judging of the county exhibits started today, and it was predicted that announcement of the awards in this division would be made tomorrow night. There are 17 counties competing. Marion being merely a complimentary exhibitor because of its geographical location.

The midway shows this year are the best ever assembled on the grounds and not a game savoring of chance has been allowed to operate.

In the old pavilion is an attractive

and educational exhibit from the Oregon Agricultural college and the University of Oregon, also a unique display arranged by the Salvation Army, and a floral offering not equaled at any previous state fair. The Portland Floral society and the Salem Floral society have large and attractive exhibits, while the individual offerings are more numerous than ever before.

Auto Exhibits Good.
The automobile and truck department also has come under the wire for honors this year. Every foot of floor space in this division is occupied, and practically every make of car is represented. The same is true of the machinery section.

The livestock barns were crowded with admiring visitors today, and the collection of animals was pronounced by experienced breeders as the finest ever assembled west of Chicago. Included in these exhibits are horses, cattle, sheep and hogs from as far east as New York and as far south as Florida.

Tomorrow will be Salem day, and in the language of the union worker, the merchants and shopkeepers have declared a lockout. Offices at the state capitol also will be closed during part of the day as will the county and municipal departments. Many smaller towns of the county also have sent word to the fair board that they will shut up shop, and come to Salem in a body to attend the fair.

Races Are Booked.
The feature of tomorrow's programme probably will be the racing card in the afternoon. This will include the 2:18 pace for a purse of \$3000, 2:18 pace for a purse of \$800 and several running events. There will be automobile races and auto polo.

Lighter attractions scheduled for tomorrow include the new restaurant with the various canning clubs in the industrial club department, a balloon ascension, airplane stunts, a pageant of prizes, livestock in the new pavilion, concerts by Stoudenmeyer's band, assisted by Miss Nellie Westmore, cornetist, and an informal address by Mrs. Alice Welster. The evening programme for Wednesday will be featured by an entertainment in the main pavilion by the foreign-born citizens of Oregon, who will appear in native costumes.

Special plans are being made for the dedicated new restaurant erected for the members of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Grand Army of the Republic. The land was donated a year ago by the state fair board and the money to build the structure was raised by popular subscription.

Tomorrow night there will be held the annual meeting of the Oregon Pure-Bred Livestock Association. At this meeting a reorganization will be perfected to the extent of affiliating with numerous county and state organizations having for their purpose the promotion of the livestock interests.

Officials of the fair announced tonight that the attendance today was the largest for any Tuesday in the history of the event.

A. J. RANEY'S POULTRY WINS

Corbett Man Takes All Places With Cockerels.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 27.—(Special.)—Awards announced in the poultry department up until tonight showed that A. J. Raney of Corbett had won all places with his cockerels and first two places on hens. Judging in this department started yesterday, but it will be tomorrow night or Thursday before all the awards are made.

The poultry exhibit, according to officials in charge, is the largest in the history of Oregon state fairs.

Mr. Raney is in partnership in the poultry business with Julius Stier of Portland, and their ranch near Corbett is said to be one of the best equipped exhibiting at state fairs in Oregon for many years and has been successful in winning many prizes at each. Other prizes, it was predicted today, would go to his town before the judging of this year's exhibits is completed.

Y. M. C. A. Gym Classes Formed

CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 27.—(Special.)—Under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium classes for men of the city were organized last night. H. K. Ghorlley, Y. M. C. A. secretary, will be the instructor. A basketball league will probably be organized later. The men will have the use of the high school gymnasium on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings.

Orpheum matinee today, 12-25-50-A.

300 HEAD OF DAIRY CATTLE ON EXHIBIT AT OREGON FAIR

Herd From Oregon Agricultural College Praised Especially—Great Dairy Future Is Predicted for State—High-bred Animals on Show.

BY ADDISON BENNETT.
ALEX., Or., Sept. 27.—(Special.)—One of the great features of every state fair is the display of livestock. The outstanding feature of this 60th show is the great number and exceedingly fine quality of the dairy stock. To accommodate all of the exhibitors two tents had to be utilized, the three barns lacking in space by more than 50 head.

I undertook this morning to go through the barns and tents where the cattle are stabled and make a mention of the various exhibits and give the names of the exhibitors, but I had not gone far before I found it an almost impossible task, absolutely so to get my dispatches on the wires in due season.

But I made a stager at it, and began with barn No. 1. Going into that building from the west, I found a big sign about Tillamook cattle over the entrance, but later I found that the Tillamook entries were more or less scattered, and then there was no person who could give me the details I wished for just then many of the exhibitors were out in the judges' pavilion, where the prizes were being awarded.

50 Cattle in Barn.
In this barn are 50 head of dairy stock, the three leading classes being about equal—Jerseys, Holsteins and Guernseys. I suppose some will give the exact number of each breed in each barn, for the Jersey, the Holstein and the Guernsey breeders are out in the lead. Now I am not prejudiced against or partial to either of the breeds mentioned and do not act with any bias. I try to do the best I can for each breed with the facts I can collate. But let me repeat that in barn No. 1, and in barns Nos. 2 and 3, and in the tents, the three breeds are pretty equally divided.

Exhibitors Are Named.
D. H. Looney of Jefferson, Or., has nine head of Guernseys; R. B. Magruder of Clatskanie, three head of Guernseys. (In publishing the name of Mr. Magruder, I hope the typo will not make the name McCarthy, McDuff or Moriarty, nor yet Meander. I make this request because when I visited the Magruder place a couple of months ago and wrote about it the article appeared with his name terribly butchered.)

The Highland Grove farm of F. R. Beare, Tillamook, has among his herd the celebrated Lady Ormsby of Rock, a cow with a record close up to the world champion, and his cow, Charming Wayne Monarch. Cow pla gave 23,296 pounds of milk in 105 days, which was productive of 323.3 pounds of butter fat. She was so the owner told me, the first Oregon Holstein to break a world's record.

I can only mention briefly the entries of L. A. McCormack of Tillamook, Howard Edwards of Lee, Or.; O. H. Graves of Bay City, Howard Edwards of Tillamook city, H. A. Brant of the same place, and also Herman Mason. They shipped in a mixed car and I did not get their entries properly tabulated. I, however, give their names to show what a wide interest the Tillamook people have in high-grade dairy stock. There are other Tillamook entries, but I cannot give them at present.

Farms Send Cowland.
From the great River Banks farm in Josephine county, on the Applegate river, near Grants Pass, the manager, Clyde E. Niles, has a carload, ten head of Guernseys of native birth and three of the same breed imported. Mr. Niles also has some entries in the swine classes.

I will not undertake to classify barn 2. It is a mixed lot stabled there, consisting of 182 head of Guernseys, Holsteins and Jerseys. I could not get in touch with anybody to post me there.

In barn 3 I was attracted first by the veteran Holstein breeder, William Bishop of Clatskanie, Wash. He has 15 head, among them the great sire, Greenbanks Sir Ormsby Hengerveld, and his great cow, Hazelwood Peterji Jewel. I often wonder if Mr. Bishop knows where he lives, and if he does, I wonder if he and his Holstein pets never get home. I guess he never misses a fair of any moment in the west. And rest assured he gets his share of blue ribbons.

There is a carload of mixed dairy stock from Coos county, but I will not stop to discuss it further than to give the names of the exhibitors and their entries. John Whobrey of Broadbent has three head of milking shorthorns; Ralph Bun of Argo, two head of Jerseys; John Carl of Argo, two Jerseys; A. O. K. Jelland, North Bend, one Jersey; L. J. Simpson, North Bend, four Holsteins, and the county agricultural station, one Guernsey. All of the Coos exhibits are properly placarded, and on a huge banner is the following sentiment in large letters: "Coos County—The United States' Garden of Eden."

College Exhibit Fine.
One of the overflow tents is occupied with the wonderful exhibit from the Oregon Agricultural college. I suppose this is the finest and largest exhibit the fair has ever had from one exhibitor. I hope every reader of this article who comes to the fair will visit this tent and carefully survey the cattle, one by one. You will find persons there to tell you all about them. No matter whether you love best the Jerseys, the Holsteins, the Ayrshires (or even the Bennett dual purpose cow, that gives half milk and half beef), you will find each getting an equal show. If you will look these exhibits over carefully you will, I know, vote more cheerfully hereafter for Oregon Agricultural college appropriations. There are eight Holsteins, six Jerseys, seven Guernseys and ten Ayrshires.

In another tent there are 20 head of Red Polls belonging to L. C. Cogswell, and six head belonging to a person unknown to me, for there were no placards to give the name of the exhibitor and no person to tell it to me.

Display Is Praised.
So altogether we have here in the cow barns and tents about 300 head of choice dairy cattle, as they were before assembled at one time in the west. Indeed, it is such a display as was probably never equalled anywhere before. And let me remind the reader that we are making very rapid progress in increasing the number of our dairy cattle and in raising the standard of quality. Even the beginner in the industry these times will not start with a bunch of scrubs. He will have at least an animal or two of high breeding. And as he goes higher he soon finds that the cream of the dairy business is on the very heights of quality—the higher the better.

What an interesting study it would make, if we had the data (which we have not) to compare our dairy cattle today with the state's dairy cattle at the first Oregon state fair and bring the record down by decades to 1921! To make a comparison of those 60 fairs would bring us down from the tallow candle to electricity, from the tin horn and speaking tube to the telephone, from the ox cart to the automobile. But not one of those features of progress means as much to Oregon as the advance made from the Mexican longhorn cows, that prevailed here 60 years ago, and our wonderful milk stock of today. And our annual fairs have had much to do with the advancement, and will have still more to do from now on.

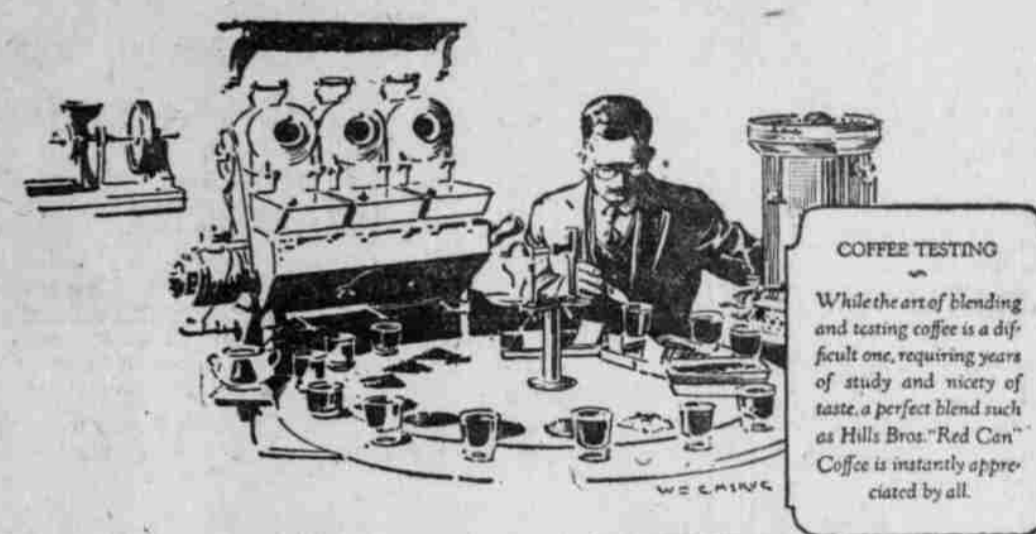
Dairy Future Predicted.
Oregon is destined to be the great dairy state of the union. You cannot advance any successful argument to deny it. The answer is written in our soil and our climate, in our owners and breeders, and those who will not admit it do not understand the matter. Yes, written upon the star of destiny is the motto: "Oregon, the great Dairy State of the Union."

And a majority of the people living in the state today will live to see my words come true. We old-timers will miss it, but we may get credit for forecasting it.

Of course, you have already read what Mr. Pettit has said about the weather, the crowd, the races, etc. I will only say that the first is ideal, the crowd is, I judge the largest of the Tuesday crowds of the 60 fairs—and the races, alas, I do not get to see. But Starter McNair tells me they will be more than usually well contested, therefore more than usually interesting.

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