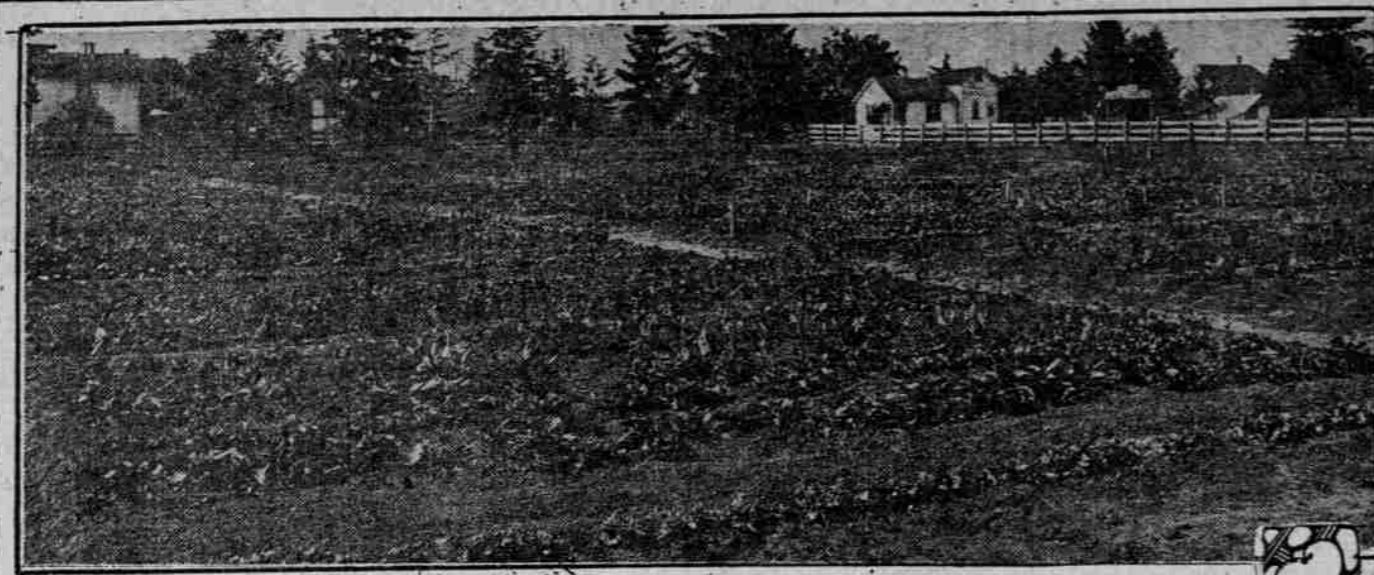


SCHOOL GARDENS ARE REVELATION TO INSPECTION PARTY

Prominent Citizens and Educators Marvel at Farming and Gardening Successes of City's Pupils: Often Uninviting Plots.



Woodlawn Garden, Winner of Sweepstake Prize



Arieta Garden, 1st Place in Class II, Division I.



General View, Glencoe School Gardens



Shaver School Garden, Tied For 3rd Place, Class II, Division II.



Llewellyn School Garden, Tied For 3rd Place, Class II, Division I.



Levi's School Garden, 2nd Place Class II, Division II.



Montavilla School Garden, 2nd Place, Class II, Division I.



Fulton Park Garden, 1st Place, Class II, Division II.

SOME of Portland's most prominent citizens, members of the Board of Education and others interested in school garden work had their education greatly improved on Friday. They learned things they never had even dreamed of before, for they made a tour of inspection of the school gardens of the city. The trip was planned by Supervisor of School Gardens M. O. Evans. It was a personally conducted tour and proved of great interest to those fortunate ones who made up the party.

There were many amusing incidents to enliven the programme. On one occasion two members of the School Board got into an argument as to the identity of a certain row of plants. "It tell you it's flax," said one. "My dear sir you are mistaken, it is alfalfa," said the other.

Back and forth they argued, until they attracted the attention of some other wise ones, who knew in turn that the plants were onions, carrots and parsnips. At last Mr. Evans settled the dispute by informing the group that the plant was buckwheat.

Old Generations Deafened. "We never had such a chance as this when we were boys," remarked many of the men in the party, as they went from one garden to another, marveling at the wonderful system that has evolved them; wondering, praising and asking questions of the supervisor and the Oregon Agricultural College's representatives, who were among those present.

The teachers who have hoed, raked and dug with the children came in for their share of praise. No weeds were found, and the paths between plots were straight and well kept. Cloves were unknown quantities.

The immense size of cabbages, lettuce heads, turnips and beets found in many gardens made the visitors wonder if they were real. At Woodstock, the big prize cabbage, grown by Homer Bowden, brought \$3.25. O. M. Plummer wanted that cabbage, but Dr. Alan Welch Smith out-bid him. The honor of the Commercial Club was maintained by C. C. Chapman, who got the lettuce away from several other contestants.

Montavilla has a wonderful first-year garden that is well laid out. The green peas were especially fine. The potato patch is the pride and joy of the Montavilla boys, who have had great success with their "spuds."

Woodlawn Man at Arieta. Professor Newbill, who was formerly principal of the sweepstakes school, Woodlawn, is now in charge of Arieta, and he and his teachers have directed the children most efficiently. They have a large garden, arranged scientifically, with various fertilizers demonstrated and with scores of varieties of every kind of vegetable, grass and fruit growing. A fountain centers the garden and the scenic arrangement is particularly well carried out.

Centerbury bells nod their approval of the loveliness of Fulton Park's school garden, where choice vegetables vie with flowers for honors in a garden which inspires just pride. Llewellyn children had an eye to beauty when they selected the natur-

tion as a border for their trim plots of potatoes, onions, cabbages and other varieties. Shaver's garden looks out upon the river and the factories, mills and docks. It is a well-kept plot and a credit to the children who made it.

Much has been written in praise of the Woodlawn garden, but like the proverbial articles that are advertised, "it must be seen to be appreciated."

Praise Is Given All. The men and women who made up the inspection party of Friday were enthusiastic in their praise of each garden. The small ones and those made on poor soil received just as much recognition as did the big, fine gardens, for the members of that party realized that each garden represented hard work, loyalty to school, determination, a fine feature of education, something practical, helpful and good in every way for the health, happiness and success of the boys and girls as they grow up into manhood and womanhood.

Following are interesting notes relative to the luncheon: "Planning, cooking and serving by the domestic science department; decorations by the art department; menu cards by the Jefferson High School printing department; music by the Washington High School Glee Club; vegetables for this luncheon were supplied by the following school gardens: Peas, Brooklyn, Clinton Kelly; beets, Woodlawn, Hudson; radishes, Arieta, Glencoe; onions, Montavilla, Ockley Green; lettuce, Mount Tabor, Llewellyn."

25 Schools Are Visited. The school gardens visited were: Shattuck, Falling, Stephens, Brooklyn, Llewellyn, Clinton-Kelly, Creston, Woodmere, Lents, Hudson, Arieta, Woodstock, Hawthorne, Glencoe, Mount Tabor, Montavilla, Jonesmore, Rose City Park, Kern, Highland, Woodlawn, Ockley Green, Thompson, Shaver,

Couch, Davis, Chapman and Fulton. In the city there are 43 school gardens, area 16 acres; number of pupils participating, 1100; number of home gardens, 3900; area, 8 acres. In the final judging prize ribbons were awarded as follows: Sweepstake prize for the best all-around garden in the city, Woodlawn. Class 1.—Schools which had gardens in 1913, divided into two divisions, as follows: Division 1.—Gardens covering an area greater than 11,000 square feet—First, Clinton Kelly; second, Rose City Park; third, Glencoe. Honorable mention, Mount Tabor, Davis, Woodstock and Falling. For remarkable showing on very poor soil, Peninsula and Couch. Division 2.—Gardens covering an area of 11,000 square feet or less—First, Woodmere; second, Highland; third, Creston. Honorable mention, Portsmouth, Brooklyn and Kerns. Fine showing on poor soil, Buckman. Class 2.—Schools making gardens for the first time in 1914, divided into two divisions, as follows: Division 1.—Gardens covering an area greater than 11,000 square feet—First, Arieta; second, Montavilla; third, Llewellyn and Ockley Green. Honorable mention, Hudson and Chapman. For good showing on poor soil, Sellwood. Division 2.—Gardens covering an area of 11,000 square feet or less—First, Fulton Park; second, Lents; third, Thompson and Shaver. Honorable mention, Multnomah, Capitol Hill and Shattuck. For good showing on poor soil, Jonesmore and Holman. In judging the gardens, points were considered as follows, on a basis of

100: Vegetable growth, 40; freedom from weeds, 20; condition of soil, 20; arrangement, 15; distinctive features and decoration, 5.

CITY HAS \$2,343,749

SEMI-MONTHLY STATEMENT MADE BY TREASURER.

Where Municipal Funds Go Told in Itemized Report Filed With Auditor Barbur.

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| General | \$1,227,207.85 |
| Police department | 1,574.48 |
| Bonded indebtedness interest | 156,032.06 |
| Lighting | 2,232.70 |
| Park and boulevard | 2,733.24 |
| Street cleaning and sprinkling | 230,549.24 |
| Improvement bond sinking | 240,519.89 |
| Water | 1,175.25 |
| Garbage crematory | 600.00 |
| Municipal jail | 148.02 |
| Fireboat and fire main | 1,175.25 |
| Special bridge | 1,175.25 |
| Sinking | 122,477.85 |
| Water fund bond account | 14,192.22 |
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| Bonded indebtedness relief | 25.22 |
| Street improvement | 254.74 |
| Sewer | 12,819.53 |
| Street and sewer interest | 1,571.28 |
| Public auditorium | 24,394.92 |
| Total | \$2,242,749.70 |

CHRISTIAN YOGA TO MEET

Four States to Be Represented in Conference June 29.

The first annual conference of Christian Yoga for this district, which includes Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, will be held in this city on June 29-30. Representatives from these states will be in attendance, and at

The judges were Professor A. G. Bouquet and A. L. Peck, of the Oregon Agricultural College, and N. C. Maris, of the State Department of Public In-

struction. They were accompanied by G. S. Crego, the Commercial Club photographer, and M. O. Evans, supervisor of school garden work.

SCHOOL GOES IN AUTO

AUSTRALIAN TEACHER MAKES 4000 MILES TO VISIT CLASSES.

Australia has a pedagogue who teaches a school several thousand miles in diameter. He conducts his class in a district of Queensland, where a ranch of 25,000 acres is considered small. In order to gather enough pupils to fill a one-room schoolhouse it would be necessary to draw on the entire country within a radius of 100 miles.

SURVEY COMMITTEE MEETS

Plan Made for Inquiry of Social and Community Life in State.

The state social survey committee, appointed at the recent Commonwealth conference at the University of Oregon, held its initial meeting yesterday to organize and map out its work. A complete social survey of the State of Oregon is contemplated with careful investigation of each community, urban or suburban, and its special problems in social and community life.

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