

DAIRYING AT THE OREGON STATE FAIR

Pen and Picture Description of what was Done and Seen In the Dairy Section of the Big State Fair Exhibit at Salem Recently.

all others directly interested in dairying, and there is good reason to believe that the affair will greatly stimulate the dairy industry throughout the state and also the dairy sections of the Pacific Northwest.

Mrs. S. A. Yoakum, of Coos county, is one woman who has most emphatically demonstrated that to make a success of a state fair or dairy exhibi-

(This article and accompanying pictures of the dairy exhibit at Salem is presented to the readers of The Times by courtesy of the Pacific Homestead, that excellent farm weekly of Salem, so ably edited by F. S. Craig.)

Mercedes DeKol Albin, a Holstein cow owned and exhibited by John L. Smith, proprietor of Hazelwood Farm, not far from Spokane, Washington, ranked ahead of six other dairy cows in the milk cow contest conducted at the Oregon state fair recently, but she was hard pressed by the little Jersey cow, Madelina May, owned and exhibited by Charles Cleveland, Jr., of Gresham, Oregon, and by two Holstein females belonging to P. A. Frakes, the genial cattleman of Scappoose, Columbia county, Oregon.

The contest was conducted by Paul V. Maris, deputy dairy and food commissioner for Oregon, the first milking taking place at 6 o'clock on Thursday morning and the last at 6 p. m. the following day. The contest was conducted on a commercial basis and the cows making the most money for their respective owners were awarded the premiums according to their rank in the test. The first premium consisted of \$40; the second, \$30; third, \$20; fourth, \$15; and the fifth, \$10.

The milking was done at the barns where the cows were stalled during the fair, and the milk was taken to the dairy headquarters in the dairy pavilion where it was tested at stated hours morning and evening by the most approved methods in the hands of the deputy commissioner and the outcome immediately bulletined on a blackboard for the benefit of all those persons interested in the matter. An allowance of 25 cents per pound was made for butter fat and 20 cents per pound for skimmed milk.

The names of the respective cows in the order of rank in which they entered the contest are: Mercedes DeKol Albin, Becky Claremont, Cloe Mechthilde, Glencoe Queen, Clotilde of Rosemont, Netherall Dosie, and Madelina May.

The amounts and kinds of food fed during the test is explained in the following: Mercedes DeKol Albin consumed 12 pounds carrots, 8 bran, 8 cornmeal, 12 rolled oats, 1 1/2 oil cake, and all the hay she could eat; Becky Claremont—22 pounds rolled



The corner occupied by the Empire Cream Separator Company's exhibit in the dairy pavilion, Oregon State Fair, 1908.



A Flashlight picture of the cheese exhibit in the dairy pavilion, Oregon State fair, 1908. The woman at the right is Mrs. S. A. Yoakum superintendent of the dairy department.



Flashlight picture of the De Laval Separator Company's exhibit, dairy pavilion annex, Oregon State Fair, 1908. The "milk maid" shown is C. A. Stahl, one of the firm's representatives.

tion the women must be given recognition among the official board. The fair management displayed most excellent judgment when they placed her in position of superintendent of the dairy department of the 1908 state fair just closed, as though her untiring efforts a larger display of dairy products was made than at any previous fair. A new twin building to the dairy pavilion was constructed and in this were housed the working exhibits of dairy machinery, thus leaving the older pavilion to the use of the butter and cheese display and the state dairymen's headquarters. In the latter were shown dairy and creamery butter from several of the leading dairy farms and creameries of the state and cheese from the principal cheese-producing counties—Coos and Tillamook.

OREGON DAIRY NOTES.

"Oregon's dairy product in 1907 amounted to \$17,000,000."

"Prof. G. L. McKay, of Iowa, calls Oregon 'the dairy paradise.'"

"In one month Tillamook county's 52 factories produced 600,000 pounds of cheese."

"Wm. Schulmerich, Hillsboro, says: 'My herd of 33 cows (register-



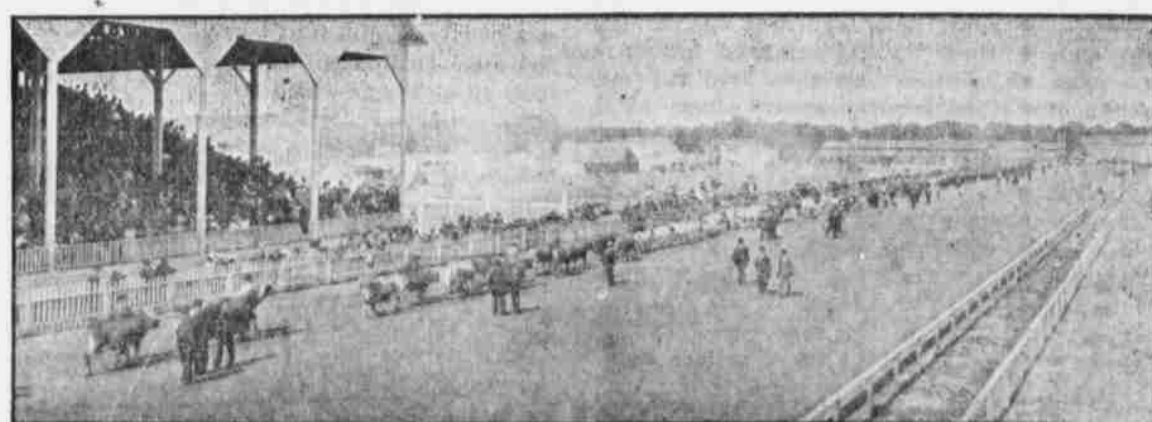
The Monroe & Crisell exhibit in one of the dairy pavilions, Oregon State Fair, 1908. Their B-L-K milking machine stands on the floor at the left-hand corner of the table.



Flashlight view of Hazelwood Cream Company's exhibit, Oregon State Fair, 1908.

oats, 1/2 bran, 1 barley chop, a few stalks of corn, and all the hay she desired; Cloe Mechthilde—18 pounds bran, 18 shorts, 20 carrots, and all the clover hay she wanted (it being of poor quality); Glencoe Queen—18 pounds of bran, 18 rolled oats, clover hay in plenty; Clotilde of Rosemont—6 pounds oats, 6 bran, 1 oil meal, 20 cabbage, 10 carrots, and all the alfalfa hay necessary to satisfy her appetite; Netherall Dosie—Same food as Clotilde of Rosemont; Madelina May—30 pounds of carrots, 16 bran, 25 pounds ear corn, 5 kale, 1/2 oil meal, and all the clover hay she could dispose of.

Much interest was shown in the test by the owners of the cows and



Partial view of the cattle parade, Oregon State Fair, 1908.

ed and grade Jerseys) produced for 1907, \$3,696, an average of \$112 per cow."

"Butter brings an average of 4 cents per pound more in Oregon than in the East."

"Sixty carloads of condensed milk are shipped every month from Washington county."

"J. E. Mickie, Washington county, Oregon: 'My nine cows now average \$115 per year.'"

"Mr. Skinner's herd of 20 grade Jerseys, near Newberg, Or., averaged him \$123.10 per cow in 1907."