

INSIGHTFUL LOTS CONVERTED INTO SCHOOL GARDENS

Wonderful Transformation of
Landscape Noted by In-
spectors in Making Their
Rounds in Garden Contest.

By Marshall N. Dana.

The champion ice cream consumers of Portland are the children of Couch school. Their record is the disappearance of 40 gallons of ice cream and 88 cakes, whereby they accumulated a fund of \$35 with which to pay a debt they incurred in entering the garden contest.

When the inspectors reached the Couch school garden Friday morning they found that an old clay pit which had been allowed to relapse into the conventional, rubbish-cumbered, vacant lot, had been redeemed by the busy children and that unusual handicaps had been overcome in making a neat and slightly garden. Some one hungrier than honest persisted in making away with some of their best vegetables but in spite of all discouragements it was a fine garden and bright faces the judges found.

But in making the garden the boys and girls had to go into debt. They could think of no better way to get out than a social, because then they could patronize themselves. Which they did, for the contestants were chief attendants. They ate everything that had been provided; they counted the nickels and the dimes and found they were out of debt or a little more. The proceeds were \$35.

Woodlawn Wins First.

Couch school garden wasn't a prize winner, but it received a very honorable mention. It deserved it. The first prize winner among the large gardens was at Woodlawn, and the first prize winner among the smaller gardens at Portsmouth. But to say that a certain garden was awarded a prize or honorable mention doesn't by any means tell the story.

There are 25 of the community school gardens having a total of 3500 plots. Every plot represents the work done by a boy or a girl in one of the schools. Every plot was as clear a character-revealer as could be devised. The general appearance of the garden showed how well the children had responded to the leadership of the principal and the direction of the garden contest director.

The condition of the little gardens showed whether play or idleness had tugged more strongly than work with a prospect of a prize. The surprisingly large number of tiny "city farms" that were in the best of order, with the weeds all pulled and the cabbages and turnips carefully hoed showed that in the growing of vegetables the diminutive farmers had learned things about self-growth—thoroughness, for instance—that no books could teach them.

Superintendent Alderman Pleased.

So it is no surprise to hear the new superintendent of Portland schools, L. R. Alderman, say that schools should have the garden work as a part of the regular work to be done in school time, instead of relying on volunteer effort supported by popular contribution.

The garden inspection Friday was an occasion never to be forgotten, especially by the man who ordinarily spends much time at his desk. One could fairly sense the labor and ambition that had brought to the garden what was in the area back of the building occupied for a time by the Multnomah club. It was the first visited and its quality pleased. The Couch garden was visited next and then the Davis.

The falling garden had been made principally by little Italians. They had worked with infinite pains over a vacant lot provided through the generosity of Judge M. G. Munly, one of the school directors. They swept the walks with brooms; they pulled out the weeds and smoothed the ground until it was a miracle of neatness.

The Stephens garden had been a tangled back yard. Little girls chiefly had cleared the soil and made a garden that was very attractive. The same description might apply to the Brooklyn school garden.

The children of Clinton Kelly school had made a garden on a lot considerable higher than the street. At Creston late planting had prevented other than the radishes from making the best showing.

Equipment is Complete.

At Woodstock there was a complete garden equipment. The way to the garden at the rear of the school was through a fringe of trees. Just at the entrance was a bulletin board with printed directions sent out from time to time from the garden headquarters. All the work had been well done, largely due to the interest and chief belonged to a little fellow whose chief diversion before his garden absorbed his interest was to catch on moving street cars and to play on the street. Principal Stafford had learned not only many ways of inspiring the production of a prize winning garden but had learned the ways of inspiring to better efforts the gardeners.

At Mount Taber garden was a sight that typified the new order in education. In the excellent garden was a big, jolly-faced man, stripped to his undershirt, working harder than any farmer, regardless of soil-stained clothing.

It was the principal, Mr. Miller, clearing out the walks of the garden and surrounded by a bevy of youngsters who evidently considered him more as a hero than a stern pedagogue. That the Mount Taber garden didn't win a prize wasn't for lack of hard work or generalship but more to the fact that former god-grown ground hadn't been yet subdued.

It would be interesting to tell about all the other gardens visited—Sunny-side, Hawthorne, Almsworth, Buckman, Rose City Park, Kerns, Holladay, Elliot, Highland, Jefferson, Peninsula, Portsmouth, Kenton and Woodlawn—but the

SCHOOL GARDENS WIN HIGH PRAISE OF INSPECTORS IN CONTEST WHICH HAS JUST CLOSED



Top—Judges in school garden inspection and officers of Portland Garden Contest league. Left to right—L. R. Alderman, superintendent of schools; F. E. Egan, judge; Hugh Bryan, judge; Professor C. I. Lewis, judge; N. Maris, judge; Mrs. M. E. Shafford, judge; M. O. Evans Jr., director; Mrs. B. T. Voorhorst, executive committee; Ralph R. Routledge, executive committee; Mrs. S. W. Durham, secretary; Miss Alice Randall, assistant director; Marshall N. Dana, president; Miss Harriett Wood, executive committee. Bottom, at left—Woodlawn school garden, winner of first prize, large gardens. Cecilia Russu, captain of Peninsula gardens.

space of a good sized volume isn't available for the telling.

The children of Kenton had made a garden in the parking outside the sidewalk. Cecilia Russu had served as captain of 150 children in making the Peninsula garden. Mrs. Christmas has enthused the children of Portsmouth.

Principal Newbill, the teachers of Woodlawn school and the parents, had transformed a wilderness into a demonstration farm that can't be beaten anywhere in Oregon. It is worth a special article and will get it.

The Oregon special train will leave Portland at 2 o'clock Wednesday, June 19th, and will arrive at Gettysburg at 3 o'clock, June 20th. The train will run through to Gettysburg without change.

"Sedgwick's" corps is not available. Howard and Hancock have their hands full on the center and left center. Only the Fifth are in reserve. Hancock advances—the rebel fire grows more intense. Cemetery Hill is raked from front and left. Death moves visibly over the field from line to line, from front to rear. The unemployed debris of the army in the rear takes alarm—a panic in the rear seems impending.

Then the Reserves.

"Guards are thrown across the road to send the runaways back to steady the rear. The rebel lines in Sickles' front slowly, steadily advance. The fight grows desperate, our front wavers, wherever men are is a line of flame and smoke that sways back and forth. The Fifth corps is being driven, but is being forced and pushed back, contesting every foot. Here come the reserves. The brigades of the Fifth corps wind down over the rocks, the line halts, stiffens and closes to give backward.

The first division of Sickles' corps is on the extreme left down to the Emmetsburg road. The infantry is in front with some Massachusetts and Maine batteries in the rear. A fierce rebel charge drives back the infantry. An orderly gallop up with orders to Bigelow to hold the position at every hazard as other batteries are being sent to his support. With depressed muzzles he holds his fire, then pours double charges of grape and canister into the advancing line of gray. He smiles and abaters it, tears great gaps in it, but cannot stop its advance.

"His grape and canister are exhausted—the enemy close over their slain and press forward. Loading his guns with spherical case he pours a death-dealing fire into the death-defying line. They are six steps from the mouth of the cannon. The gunners hold their fire and as the enemy leaps for the guns the gunners fire and blow the gray line from the very muzzles of the guns. The rebels give the gunners the bayonet and shoot the horses. Bigelow's men club the Confederates from the guns, cut the dead horses loose and put the guns away by hand.

Rebel Victory Is Momentary.

"Bigelow's battery had never been under fire before. The captain is badly wounded. Every sergeant is dead, 33 of the men of the company are dead or wounded. The rebels forced Phillips and put the guns away by hand.

On a gallop the reinforcing batteries come up. They halt. A moment later an enflaming fire sweeps the rebel line that had gained the crest. Sickles' infantry reforms, charges and sweeps what is left of the gray line down the hill and the lost guns and lost ground is regained.

This is but one incident—a few moments of time in a three day fight—a line of battle miles in length—but you can almost smell the acrid smoke of the guns and see the struggling, dying horses and the blue and gray uniforms merged and lost in death. Thank God that day is past. Today it is to celebrate one country, one flag and one purpose—to preserve unimpaired the traditions of our fathers—that the veterans meet at Gettysburg.

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Dr. J. H. Neagle, a confederate veteran, is the official physician of the party. The War Department will furnish tents, cots, blankets and "mess kit." The veterans are privileged to take the mess kit home with them as a souvenir of the celebration. Captain Joseph P. Shaw and Captain Lewis C. Garrigue are the commissioners who have charge of the matter.

Oregon's Battle Roll.

The list of those who are eligible to go follows. But not all who are eligible can go. Some can not stand the long trip, and only those may go who secure a medical certificate that they are able to stand the trip. Those marked with a star are to go:

Frank Kashafer, G. 9th Pa. Inf., Jacksonville.

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D. Maurer, C. 12th Ill. Cav., Fort Rock, Or.
C. E. Reynolds, H. 10th Pa. Reserves, Tillamook.
Donell B. Bennett, E. 7th Mich. Inf., Elgin.
Charles Sherbondy, D. 29th Ohio Inf., Eugene.
W. W. Bales, A. 27th Ind. Inf., Salem.
R. P. D. No. 2.
J. B. Chipman, E. 4th U. S. Art., St. Johns.
S. D. Adkins, B. 5th Wis. Inf., Scotts Mill.
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*William H. Krum, F. 93d Pa. Inf., Olex.
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Josiah Lehr, E. 15th Pa. Cav., Eddyville.
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J. E. Hall, I. 148 Pa. Inf., 365 Williams avenue.
Israel Spencer, A. 134th N. Y. Inf., Verona.
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*Sidney Stickles, C. 8th N. Y. Cav., Eugene.
*R. A. Bartlett, D. 1st Minn. Inf., Eugene.
*Bronlette, E. 12th Ill. Cav., 822 Capital avenue.
*John Anvley, C. 11th Pa. Inf., 824 Mississippi avenue.

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George W. Kerr, M. 1st Pa. Cav., Cottage Grove.
*R. T. Chamberlain, A. 4th Vt. Inf., 271 1/2 Clay street.
*John Walrod, A. 7th Wis. Inf., Lentz.
*Henry Dooley, B. 7th Ind. Inf., 334 Monroe street.
*T. B. Rand, B. 2nd Wis. Inf., 111 72nd street north.
*J. W. Gray, E. 21st Pa. Cav., 2801 56th street southeast.
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*John Valentine, A. 5th Wis. Inf., Salem, Or.
*V. H. Simpson, D. 149 Pa. Inf., Salem, Or.
*James D. Smith, H. 136 N. Y. Inf., Salem, Or.
*John Catlin, bugler 5th N. Y. Cav., Albany, Or.
*Andrew Crooks, D. 149th Pa. Inf., Albany, Or.
*W. P. Small, D. 19th Ind. Inf., Albany, Or.
*H. M. Cobb, I. 7th Mass. Inf., Roseburg.
*J. M. Parry, Lt. 1st N. Y. Art. Moro.
*J. D. Jackson, A. 5th Wis. Inf., 1074 Cleveland avenue.
*L. N. Guy, G. 28th Pa. Inf., 749 Belmont street.
*Eugene J. Hawthorne, G. 38th Va. Inf., Eugene.
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*W. W. Jacobs, H. 1st Va. Cav.,

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TILLAMOOK, OR., 'LOYAL SONS' ON LONG TRIP

Bible Class Visits McMinnville
and Will Take in Salem
and Turner.

McMinnville, Or., June 21.—Twenty-four members of the Loyal Sons' Bible class of the Tillamook Christian church were guests of the Loyal Sons of the local Christian church here yesterday. In the evening they gave an entertainment at the church which was followed by a reception. In the afternoon they played ball with a local team and were defeated by a score of 4 to 2 in an exciting game. They made the trip by way of the Willamette river, reaching Forest Grove on Wednesday. From here they were bound for Salem and from there will proceed to Turner, where they expect to remain three or four days. They will then return to Salem and meet the baseball team of the state prison. They will then return home by way of Menmouth and Dallas.

HOOD RIVER LIGHT USERS INSIST ON OLD RATES

Hood River, Or., June 21.—What is reported to be the finishing touch of the consolidation of the Hydro Electric company and the Hood River Gas & Electric company, operating in Hood River, was put on last night, about midnight, when the Hydro plant was tied into the Hood River Gas & Electric company's lines. It is now understood that the Pacific Power & Light company, of Portland, has full control of the field here, as the Hood River Gas & Electric company is a subsidiary company to the Pacific company. The light and power users of Hood River, who have contracts with the light companies extending through a term of years for light and power on a flat rate have pooled their contracts and will resist the effort made by the state board of railroad commissioners to declare null and void these contracts that were made before meter rates were placed into effect. The state board of railroad commissioners, when here trying the case of the light companies, with a view of placing all users on a meter basis, announced that the meter rates declared effective by the board would abrogate the contracts outstanding. Legal talent will be employed by the light-users to fight the case.

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"AT HOME" At The Portland

Every day is "At Home" day at The Portland—the many lounging places, the vine embowered courtyard, the wide piazzas with their easy chairs, the comfortable writing-room, the spacious, mirrored parlors—all conspire to create the restful "home" feeling.

True hospitality—the breezy Western blended with the courteous Southern—greets the incoming guest and speeds the parting one.

You are courteously invited to hear our delightful outdoor concerts; they begin at 6:30 each evening, lasting until 9:30 on Sundays and until 9 on week days.

Our delicious noon luncheons are served in the dining room just off the cool courtyard. The menu is an ever-changing delight; service is from 11:30 to 2. Dainty afternoon teas are served in the grill; the smartly-gowned ladies of Portland gather there to discuss the light menu and to interchange social chat. The service is from 3:30 to 6.

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