

MUCH INTEREST IN 4-H EVENTS

Marion County boy first in Corn Club Achievement; Judging Progresses

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sewing; Ruth Holcomb, Clackamas, first on room improvement; Virginia Johnson, Multnomah, first on country three; Billy Pritchett, Lincoln county, first on division one, handicraft; and Stanley Everman, Clatsop, first on division two.

Russell Beardsley, Multnomah, first on sewing; Frances Waley, Multnomah, first in handicraft; Multnomah county and Portland swept this class.

Demonstrations in home economics were under way yesterday, with Marion county entered. Folk county was entered in livestock demonstrations.

Sheep and goat judging in the 4-H pens will start today as will poultry. Home economics demonstrations will continue through Friday.

Interest in the boys and girls club department centers on the Isaac Lee Patterson individual trophy, which will be presented to the boy of girl scoring highest in all divisions at the fair.

Announcement of the healthiest boy and girl among the club members will be made today.

HITCHING POST ERA LIVES AGAIN HERE

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First award for the event went to Rufus Holman who was quite stunning in light fitting green velvet trousers and tan waist-coat and plug hat. W. D. Alexander took second; A. R. Shumway took third with his old buggy and white "plug" which made as much progress backing as it did going forward.

Mrs. Ralph Matson of Portland in a police uniform drove to fourth place with honor; Henry Crawford in a splendid "phaeton" was fifth; Fred Steiner with his balky mule and spring-board took sixth; Mrs. Roy Castlen, the McBride sisters and L. R. Banks came in for the last wagon.

The event proved so popular that it will be repeated again one night this week, the time to be announced later, according to Aaron Frank, chairman of the event.

Wesley "Jimmie" Gorham, 10 year old son of a popular exhibitor, Harry Gorham, amid hearty applause, drove to first place with clever horsemanship in the harness pony event. He took his money on Blue Heaven, 45 inches high and belonging to his father, Harry Gorham; Lady Helen, D. G. Welby stables, second; and High Tension third.

Another event which brought wild applause was the first night of driving for six-in-hand wagons. The entries were Carmation Co., driver, "Jim" Huston; A. Schwab, Robert Thornburn pot driving their own horse; C. C. Ruby and A. C. Ruby, Jr., and D. F. Burge all driving their own horses. The arena fairly "bulged at the sides" when the six exhibitors got their horseflesh and equipment into the ring.

"Jim" Huston showed his marvelous horsemanship when the tongue in his wagon broke and his lead horse started out on their own. By calling them by name he brought them back to place without the aid of a stableman. The crowd gave wild applause.

All events were clean and spirited Tuesday night. The audience which was rather small, needed some pep with which to appreciate the excellent show in which the following placings were made:

Harness, middleweight and heavyweight, first, Winchester; Dr. Ray Matson; second, King Veitura, Phil O'Connell horse; third, Rob Roy, Mrs. Lura Castlen.

Address Honors Thomas Cox, First Salem Merchant

Biographical Sketch by Burt Brown Barker at Unveiling Exercises

Address delivered by Burt Brown Barker, on the unveiling of a tablet on the site of the Cox store in Salem:

When a student of the law at the Harvard Law School in 1900, I delivered an address on Thanksgiving Day. In the course thereof I pointed out that I, a son of Oregon Pioneers, had a keener appreciation of the meaning and realization of the trials and tribulations of the Puritans than had my hearers, many of whom were direct descendants of said Puritans.

This statement caused considerable comment. In support of my contention I pointed out that my grandparents in crossing the plains from Illinois to Oregon, had undergone hardships paralleling in many respects the hardships of the Puritans in crossing the Atlantic, while my parents had undergone all the trials and tribulations necessarily associated with opening and developing the Oregon territory, paralleling in many respects the hardships of the Puritans in the settling of New England.

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Hence, when they looked upon the historical monuments telling of the struggles of the Puritans, they were not moved by any keen realization of what had actually taken place there, while when I looked upon those same monuments, they recalled to my memory the stories of actual experiences of my own parents and grandparents in the settling of Oregon.

We have assembled here today for that purpose. I believe this is the first time in the history of Salem that the descendants of one of the early Pioneers of Salem have assembled to mark, by means of a bronze tablet, the location of a spot which they believe to be of historic significance. And this spot is the site of the first store building in the City of Salem.

It is thus of commercial importance and accordingly most appropriate that the event be marked in this manner. The family assembled here today feels that this event is of much greater significance than the mere location of a store site. It feels that the fact of existence of the store here carries a story which is truly indicative of the spirit which lies behind all pioneering. In order to point this out and to indicate its true place in the history of the city, it is necessary to review the leading events in the life of Thomas Cox, the first merchant of Salem, the man who built on this spot which we mark today, the first store building in this city.

Three things stand out very clearly as one reviews the life history of this man, who before coming to Oregon was a pioneer, a manufacturer and a merchant.

First, he was a man of mature years when he decided to take the long journey across the plains. He was born on October 22, 1791, probably in Virginia, and was accordingly 55 years of age when he began to make preparations for this trip.

Second, he was a successful business man. He had built and owned and operated three grist mills and three carding mills, had been a manufacturer of guns and gun powder, had owned and operated a general merchandise store, and in addition to all of this had been one of the originators and had helped to lay out the town of Wilmington in Will County, Illinois.

Third, he was no stranger to the life of the pioneer. His father was Joseph Cox who emigrated from England in 1765 and went to Virginia where he married Mary the daughter of Elijah Pote, a noted preacher of his day. His parents before him had pioneered in Virginia and Kentucky but we have no record of the exact locations. When he was but a small boy his parents moved to Ross County, Ohio. Here he grew to manhood on his father's farm, and, in 1811, when he was 20 years of age, he married Martha Cox of Pennsylvania, in no way, however, related to him. You must picture the young man starting out in life with his bride. His sole earthly possessions consisted of one mare, a small iron basket oven, three tin plates and cup, some iron spoons, a pair of tin buckets, and a saddle. He prepared for his wedding journey very carefully by tying these earthly possessions to the saddle, and, with his wife behind him, started out into the wilderness of Ohio to clear the forest and make his first farm. Just how long he worked on this farm is not known but we have the record that he left it with his wife and three children, and we know two of the children were twins, born on Christmas Day, 1817, and one of these twins was the grandmother of the writer.

In time, however, he sold the farm and, moved to Flat Rock Creek, Bartholomew County, Indiana. Here he built and operated a grist mill whose wheels and pulleys were made of oak and hickory. Later he put up a water-power carding machine near the grist mill. We do not have the exact record of the length of time that he lived here and operated his mills but it was probably until about 1825 when we learn that he had sold his mills and moved west to Shawnee Creek near its confluence with the Wabash River in Fountain County, Indiana. Here he again engaged in the mill business, building a grist mill and a carding mill and here also he probably engaged in the blacksmith business and in the manufacture of guns and gunpowder. He was a man of considerable industry, had a natural aptitude for construction, and was able to make almost anything he wished.

He remained on the Shawnee Creek until the winter of 1833-4 when he again sold out his entire plant and went to what is now Joliet, Will County, Illinois. Soon after his arrival an Indian scare broke out and he fled with his family to Dearborn, which is now Chicago.

At this time the Indian difficulties were settled, he located with his family on the Kankakee River in 1834-5. Here in 1841-2 he again set up a grist mill and a water-power carding mill, this time in partnership with his son-in-law, Elias Brown, his grandfather, under the name of Cox and Brown, and was one of the men who helped to organize and lay out the present town of Wilmington, Will County, Illinois. It is probable that he again engaged in the manufacture of guns and gun powder in Wilmington where he also conducted a general merchandise store. During the early years of his settlement in Illinois, Thomas Cox had a chance to exhibit his sound financial balance. During these early years there was much excitement and speculation in lands and in the establishment of banks, many of which issued large amounts of paper money of which the latter proved to be worthless. This period of "wild cat banking" so-called, was the undoing of many an Illinois pioneer. But Thomas Cox took no part in it, confining himself strictly to the management and operation of his mills and store.

During the year 1846 there was considerable activity in this vicinity among those who had begun to talk of the Oregon country. Thomas Cox, now fifty-five years of age, with some of his children grown and married, began to make preparations for his last great move. He had pioneered in Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois. He had built and owned and operated three grist mills and three woolen mills, he had been a manufacturer of guns and gun powder and had conducted a general store. He was thus a pioneer, a manufacturer and a merchant. Yet the call of the west again surged through his veins, he sold his mills and endeavored to sell his store. In this he was unsuccessful. The men who bought the mills, knowing that he was preparing to leave for Oregon, had refused to buy the store. He decided that at the last moment he would be forced to sell to them at their own price. But they did not know their man. Thomas Cox went to the then new city of Chicago and bought wagons. He went among his neighbors and bought oxen. On the morning of March 15, 1847, final farewells were said in the little town of Wilmington, and Thomas Cox with his wife, Martha, his son-in-law, Elias Brown, his grandfather, and family, among whom was a mother, a child of three years, started on the long journey to Oregon. Of the 13 wagons, 11 contained the merchandise and each wagon was drawn by four yoke of oxen. The remaining two wagons carried the families and some household effects. These were drawn by teams. Most of the household effects were shipped by water to St. Louis, Missouri, whither Mr. Cox and his party went. Here he met his son, Joseph, and his son-in-law, Peter Polly, and their families. They waited a month for the arrival of the household goods. But they never came, and so about the first of May, 1847, the caravan started definitely and finally for Oregon. By this time many others had joined the party so that the caravan on leaving St. Louis numbered 40 wagons and a considerable number of sheep and cattle.

Thomas Cox was the owner of the largest number of wagons and was chosen captain. On crossing the Platte river the team drawing the wagon containing my grandfather, Elias Brown and his wife and three children, became frightened and attempted to turn back. My grandfather jumped into the cold water, took cold and finally died and was buried later on the Bear river on July 24, 1847.

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LEGION MEN AT DETROIT SOBER

Characterizes Charges of Clarence True Wilson Blow to dry law

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Majority. The national judge advocate ruled that considering the racketeering and crime and the strong economic proposition involved, the Legion could this year vote on prohibition, although in previous years the problem had been ruled a political one, not to be considered by the organization.

Owen reported that the three Oregon delegates who voted against the prohibition referendum stated that they "didn't like to go back to a bone dry state and face the people with all voting wet. Two of them were personally and constitutionally dry and the third was politically dry," he added.

Owen characterized the remarks of Dr. Clarence True Wilson, Methodist dry leader, about the "staggering drunks at Detroit," as the biggest blow prohibition has received. He declared that Wilson's statement "didn't sit well with 125,000 Legionnaires" who attended the convention. "Many did drink," he said. "There was plenty to drink over the line at Windsor, Canada. Some got back with liquor. None of those who were stopped at the border were fined. The customs officers treated them very courteously."

"Cut-up" Mostly Non-Legion Men "I saw very few men in a condition to bring contempt on the Legion," Owen continued. "Thousands of men who are not Legionnaires bought unofficial convention ribbons and caps, and cut up. I did not see more than six people who were Legionnaires who were in a disgusting condition from drink. Most of the men arrested by the police were 24 or 25 years old. They were kicking the slats out of their cradles at the time of the war." Laughingly, he remarked that the "worst excess indulged in was throwing paper bags full of water out of the store windows on passersby, who generally took the job in good spirit."

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The Call Board

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Warner Bros. Elsinore Today—Eddie Dowling in "Honey Moon Lane" Friday—Robert Montgomery in "The Man in Possession" Warner Bros. Capitol Today—Marion Davies in "Five and Ten" Friday—Low Ayres in "Up for Murder" The Grand Today—Betty Compson in "The Lady Refuses" Friday—Lois Wolheim in "The Sin Ship" The Hollywood Today—Bea Luguis in "Dracula" Friday—Bob Steele in "The Ridin' Fool"

commodations he arranged for the Salem delegation. Bishop put the use of a 53-passenger, double-deck bus at the service of the Salem men for the entire time of the convention. They were accompanied everywhere by a special police motorcycle escort. No other corps was so equipped, White said. In recognition of Bishop's services, the Capital post voted to confer with the national department of the Legion relative to presenting him with a life membership in the organization.

The Salem drum corps received round after round of applause for its precise marching. J. T. Delaney, who went along as finance officer, reported that their music was of the finest," he declared. "The corps had it over the winners in every way. It was just a tough break that kept them out of the national competition. One of the judges, who has served in that capacity for several years, told me that the Salem drum corps first came east to teach us how to get music out of a four-note bugle. Their penalty for the hat blowing off just could not be helped. If they work half as hard next year, they ought to take the prize," Delaney concluded.

After the election results were announced, Iri McSherry, the incoming commander, expressed his appreciation to the men of the post for giving him the office, declared his intention of endeavoring to render service to the post, and bespoke the cooperation of the members to make the year a successful one. He was followed by similar remarks from the other officers-elect.

The membership committee reported that 20 men had been enlisted for the post. The retiring commander urged that 80 more be secured before the next meeting, on October 13.

The post's work committee, reported that it had given assistance to 13 unemployed Legionnaires, had realized \$315 from wood sold and would be able to pay the post the \$50 it advanced for the work.

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STORES CLOSE ON SALEM DAY

Governor's Derby, Acts on Monkey Island, Music Among Offerings

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tion of Music Clubs, according to announcement of Mrs. Walter Denton, general chairman. The music program, at the club booth at 11:30, will include: Piano quartet by Dorothy Pearce, Ernest Clark East, Ruth Bedford and Elma Weller, and piano solo by Helene Price, Willamette university.

At 1 o'clock, a Portland cello, violin and piano trio will play; the Congregational quartet of Salem will sing; Mrs. Harry Harms, soprano, will sing a solo; Jessie Meivin will offer a cello solo; the American Legion auxiliary quartet will sing; a piano quartet, composed of Irma Keefe, Jessie Bush, Bertha Junk Derby and Ethel Poling Phelps, will play; and Salem MacDowell club chorus will sing. The woman's club chorus, Mrs. James L. Gault, director, and Mrs. H. D. Gossler, 1975 South Cottage street, will sing a single entry. A 45-minute program tonight following the piano quartet numbers offered by Laura Grant Churchill, Joy Turner Moses, Lela Tarpley Lee and Lois Plummer. The evening musical program will start at 7 o'clock.

PRIZE WINNERS IN PHOTOS ANNOUNCED (Continued from page 1) Wagoner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. VanWagoner, 556 Union street, ivory set given by Central Pharmacy; third prize, Patricia Gossler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Gossler, 1975 South Cottage street, baby blanket given by Brier's.

Twins; second prize, Bobby and Billy Jonston, sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Johnston, 1127 Waller street, pair of shoes for each given by Easton Brown shoe store; third prize, Darleen and Harlan, children of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crossler, 688 Bray street, milk supply for month by Sanitary Milk Co.

Judges for the contest were Dr. David B. Hill, physician; Mrs. Elizabeth Curry, head of woman's physical education, Willamette university; Mrs. Otto K. Paulus, dramatic instructor.

The contest exceeded our expectations in number of entries and the great array of beautiful children we photographed," Miss Doris Bacon, manager of the Kennell Ellis studio, said yesterday. "It was a pleasure to take the pictures, to prepare them for showing and to meet the many lovely children. My only wish is that we had as many prizes to award as there were children for each one was an attractive child."

All the photographs are on display in the art room on the second floor of the agricultural building, exhibiting the winners will be placed on each prize picture today. Prizes may be had by calling at the store which offered them or by communicating with Miss Bacon at the studio.

MARION HOLSTEINS WIN FIRST HONORS

Championships were taken by Henry Thompson and son, Canada.

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In Shorthorns, C. J. Broughton, Dayton, Wash., took senior and grand champion bull with Wheatland Lorns and senior and grand female champion with Wheatland Sylvia; J. G. Grimble, Garfield, Wash., took junior champion bull and junior champion female.

Aberdeen-Angus, beef cattle, championships were taken by Condyon and Battles, Yakima. In the horse judging yesterday, D. F. Burge, Albany, took senior and grand stallion in Percherons; and Ruby Stock Farms, Graham, took senior champion mare and single entry. Stock farms took junior champion stallion on Belgians, and National Woolen Mills of Seattle took everything else in this class.

Washington exhibitors swept the thoroughbred single entries and Illinois divided on standard bred horses.

Poultry Exhibits Of Salem Region Get Recognition

A. W. Mau and Mrs. Mary E. Brooks, both of Salem, took a number of firsts with their Bantam exhibits, and Richard Domes, McCoy, took a single entry. Mrs. Robert Cole took several firsts on single comb Buff Leghorns; Lloyd A. Lee, Salem, took a first and numerous lesser placings on White Rocks and White Wyandottes; John Cornforth, Salem, took a single cockerel in White Rocks; Ella Plank took four firsts in White Rocks.

V. M. LaDue, Salem, almost swept the field in Silver Laced Wyandottes.

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