

BOYS AND GIRLS WILL HAVE FAIR CLUB BUILDING

Anticipating the increase in interest in boys' and girls' club work in Oregon, not only this year but in the years to come, the state fair board is witnessing the completion of a large and modern building, which will be devoted exclusively to the housing of the growing-ups of the state who come to the fair each season, accompanying the exhibits which have brought them recognition at county or local fairs.

The building, which is of concrete stucco finish, 60 by 100 feet and three stories high, is one of the handsomest on the state fair grounds. It is topped with a red tile roof, fully equipped with fire escapes and every other modern plan that will protect the lives and health of the young folk who occupy it, as well as insuring their comfort and well-being during the time that they are guests of the state fair board.

The main floor features the large assembly hall and dining room, each 30 by 40 feet in dimension. The kitchen will be up to the minute in its arrangement, and also on this main floor will be found the office of J. E. Calavan, industrial field worker of the staff of the state department of education. The entire second and third floors will be given over for dormitory purposes, with lavatories and bath rooms adjoining.

Last year saw the greatest development in industrial club work in Oregon, with a record attendance of 150 boys and girls at the club camp at the state fair. This year officials report increased activities and interest in the work, so that it is thought that at least 200 youngsters will enjoy the hospitalities of the fair board when the big event opens on September 28.

Aside from the children themselves, and Mr. Calavan, only folk who accompany juvenile exhibitors will be entitled to the privileges of the new club building. The exhibits of club work will be shown as heretofore in the old educational building, which will also house all state exhibits, the showing to be made by the Oregon Agricultural college to eclipse any previously attempted by that institution. Minor changes and alterations in this building will

improve the possibilities for larger and more attractive exhibits. Notable changes and improvements are underway in the agricultural pavilion. The principal alteration is the converting of the auditorium, which has always been little less than a waste of much needed space, into a show place for the textile and art departments. This portion of the building which is large and adaptable will lend itself well to the requirements of these divisions of the feminine section of the fair, allowing for increased showings as well as more attractive ones. The old textile building will be moved north towards the livestock barns, where its use will be determined later. The section previously utilized as art headquarters in the west wing of the agricultural building will be turned over for the use of county exhibits.

More counties than in any year previous will send exhibits to the fair this fall, this rise in interest being directly attributed to the doing away with competitive scoring, an elimination which was requested by the exhibitors themselves last year. County showings henceforth will be entirely of an advertising nature, the principal crops and projects being shown instead of a heterogeneous mixture of everything in general.

Talent is talent and mind is mind, in all its branches. We must despise no sort of talent, they all have their separate duties and uses, all the happiness of man for their object; they all improve, exalt and gladden life.

SUMMER SCHOOL HERE IS CLOSED; RESULTS GOOD

The five weeks' summer school term of the Salem public schools closed yesterday with a total enrollment of 530 students, taught by 52 students teachers just out of Monmouth normal school and supervised by 10 critic teachers.

The school this summer is considered the most successful one staged since the first summer session in 1923. In 1923 there were 250 students enrolled, in 1924 there were 465. With practically no exceptions every student who began the summer school this year continued throughout the term without dropping out.

The school was staged at the expense of the Monmouth normal school and primarily for the purpose of furnishing practice for the teachers. It is estimated that two-thirds of the pupils were sent to school by their parents without any particular recommendation by school authorities, but merely for the purpose of strengthening their work and keeping them occupied. A few secured double promotions by taking summer school work. A few others were urged by teachers

to attend school during the summer term in order to keep from being held over in one grade for a second year.

There were 40 beginners who had never been to school until this summer. The school policy is to give all beginners an entrance test when they enter school in the fall, and it is expected that next fall the children who had summer school work will make places higher than the others.

The Marion county health demonstration staff staged examinations of children, largely for the purpose of instructing the teachers in health work. The teachers report that the demonstration staff was very thorough in its work and that many valuable health facts were learned.

There is only one thing worth minding, and that is to be true and just, and to show charity to the untrue and the unjust.

ELKHORN RESIDENT FOR 35 YEARS IS DEAD

Mill City, Or., July 25.—Mrs. Mary Rhoda, another old resident of this section of the country, passed away at her home at Elkhorn Sunday night, at the age of 85 years and 9 months. Mrs. Rhoda was born in Meckleberger, Germany, in 1841, and with her husband, John Rhoda, came to America in 1862, and has spent the last 35 years of her life in this vicinity. She is survived by six sons, Dick Rhoda of Hampton, Wash., Aort Rhoda of Mill City, William and Charles Rhoda of Selo, Silas and John Rhoda of Elkhorn; two daughters, Mrs. Sabina Baskins of Winthrop, Washington, and Mrs. Alvina Case of Spokane, Washington. Funeral services and interment were held at Fox Valley cemetery Wednesday morning.

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