

POLK PUPILS PRESENTED PRIZES

Four Will Go to Panama Exposition as Reward for Excellence of Handiwork.

Notwithstanding the fact that Polk county schools dropped from first place last year to sixth place this year at the state fair, the individual exhibits of several of the pupils of the county captured prizes. Four of the ten championship prizes, which carry with them free trips to the Panama Exposition at San Francisco next year, were won by Polk county children. May McDonald, aged 12, of Dallas, who had a booth of her own at the Polk county fair, at which were exhibited canned fruit, jellies, painting, fancy work and sewing, won first on sewing. Jessie Key, of Perrydale, first on canning and preserving; Frances Hawley, of McCoy, first on cooking and baking; and Kenneth Bursell, of Monmouth, first on pig feeding.

Bernice Newbill, 14 years old, of Dallas, was awarded second premium on a tatted collar, competing with many adults.

Other awards to Polk county school children were:

Popcorn, class B—4th, Fred Hamilton, Dallas.

Watermelon, class A—4th, William Edgar, Rickreall. Class B, 1st, Otis Scott, Independence; 2nd, Homer Bursell, Monmouth; 5th, Alma Wells, Buena Vista.

Table Squash, class B—4th, Herman Gilliam, Perrydale.

Pie Pumpkin, class B—2nd, Kenneth Bursell, Monmouth; 5th, Carl Dodson, Monmouth.

Potatoes, class B—4th, Delmar Hayes, Dallas.

Cabbage, class A—1st, Mabel Albi, Dallas; 4th, Mary Voth, Dallas.

Onions, class B—2nd, Fred Hamilton, Dallas; 4th, Gertrude Herdt, Falls City.

Bird House, class A—2nd, Benjamin Rickli, Dallas; 4th, Guy Staiger, Dallas. Class B, 1st, Willard Brown, Dallas.

Manual Arts—5th, Raymond Frost, Buena Vista.

Indian Runner Ducks, class A—1st, Fred Ridders, Suver; 2nd, Merle Gilliam, Dallas R. 2.

Pekin Ducks, class A—2nd, Guy Staiger, Dallas; 3rd, Clinton Martin, Ballston. Class B—1st, Rollie Middleton, Dallas; 2nd, Howard Wells, McCoy.

Barred Rocks, class A—2nd, Russell Alsip, Dallas. Class B—1st, Frank Alsip, Dallas; 3rd, Elton Phillips, Dallas; 4th, Mabel Lee, Falls City.

White Plymouth Rocks, class A—1st Fred Ridders, Suver; 2nd, Guy Staiger, Dallas.

White Wyandottes, class A—1st, Hazel Bursell, Monmouth; 4th, Fred Ridders, Suver. Class B—1st, Henry Alsip, Dallas; 2nd, Martha Brown, Dallas.

White Orpingtons, class A—1st, Guy Staiger, Dallas. Class B—2nd, Henry Alsip, Dallas.

Buff Orpingtons, class A—2nd, Guy Staiger, Dallas.

Rhode Island Reds, class B—3rd, Frankie Alsip, Dallas.

White Leghorns, class A—2nd, Guy Staiger, Dallas; 4th, Russell Alsip, Dallas. Class B—Willie Mockie, Rickreall.

Miscellaneous, class A—4th, Guy Staiger, Dallas. Class B—3rd, Marie Lee, Falls City.

Special Sweepstakes—Guy Staiger, Dallas.

Bantams—3rd, Stanley Heistand, Falls City.

Lady Democrats to Organize.

A number of Dallas ladies have decided to organize a "Wilson Club" and will meet for that purpose at the Woman's Club room in the library building on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. The object of the organization will be to promulgate the doctrine of Democracy as represented by Woodrow Wilson and particularly to work for the success of the Democratic ticket at the election November 3rd. All ladies interested in the idea are urged to be present.

Drowned in Portland.

R. R. Seasm was drowned in the Willamette river at Portland last Friday. His body was found floating at the foot of one of the docks. Mr. Seasm was a brother of Mrs. John Lockman, of this city and Salem.

HAVE YOU REGISTERED?

If you have not registered, do not delay another day. One week from today, October 15th, is the last day on which you can register before election on November 3rd. If you don't get your name on the list by that time it don't necessarily shut you out from voting, but it will cause you more trouble to swear in your vote than you probably will care to take. The easiest way is to register. Do it today, whether you are "wet" or "dry," Democrat, Republican or "Bull Moose."

Council Holds Regular Session.

All members were present at the regular meeting of the city council Monday evening. It was a short session, nothing but the usual routine of business being transacted.

Ordinances granting a franchise to the S. P. company for a bell at the Ash street crossing and providing for the improvement of Ash street between Fairview and Oregon avenues were passed.

Westover stated that a sidewalk was badly needed on the north side of Washington street, between Levens and Hayter streets, and a cross walk on Ellis street near the bottling works. He moved that both be constructed by the street commissioner and his motion carried.

On motion of Hayter the street commissioner was ordered to repair the street in front of the new hospital.

Miller moved that the council as a committee of the whole go over the city with a view to ascertaining where new sidewalks were needed and report at the next meeting.

Miller moved to dispense with the use of the time clock by the night watchman until further notice. Carried.

The usual batch of monthly bills were audited and allowed.

Brown's Looking for Someone.

George Brown would like to find the fellow who entered his barn Saturday night and cut a heavy work harness into smithereens. The job was done so completely that even the tugs were cut into small pieces only an inch or so long. George says he hasn't an enemy in the world, so far as he knows, and is puzzled to know why he should have been picked out for the victim of one's spite in that way.

FARM HOUSES

MORE NUMEROUS

Census Report Shows Country

Out Numbers City in Polk County Homes.

The United States census department at Washington has just issued a bulletin dealing with the ownership of Polk county homes. The important facts contained in the bulletin relating to this county are as follows:

There are 3296 homes in Polk county. Of this number 1445 are farm homes and 686 of these are owned by their occupants and are free of mortgage incumbrance. The mortgaged farm homes number 394. Renters occupy 397 farm homes in this county.

Out of the total of 3296 homes in the county, 1851 are urban homes. There are 904 urban home owners in the county. Of this number 162 are mortgaged, while 713 are free of incumbrance. There are 855 rented urban homes in the county.

The figures given above are not absolutely correct, however, as the census enumerators were unable to secure data pertaining to the ownership of a small percentage of both the rural and urban homes in this county.

Aged Lady Struck by Street Car.

While in Salem last Friday to attend the state fair, Mrs. S. C. Price, aged 70 years, was struck by a street car and sustained a concussion of the brain. She is a resident of Polk county, in the vicinity of Pelee. She was taken to a hospital in Salem, where she is still under a physician's care.

TWO MEN KILLED AT R. R. CROSSING

Automobile Containing Fonso Manston and Warren Quick Struck by Motor Car.

BOTH PROMINENT CITIZENS

Bowersville Crossing Scene of Second Accident in Less Than Two Weeks.

This community was inexpressively shocked Monday morning by the sudden ending of the lives of two prominent citizens, W. H. F. Manston and James Warren Quick. The story of the tragedy is the old one of a speeding automobile and a railroad crossing. A Ford auto in which the two gentlemen were riding was struck by the motor car which left this city for Salem about 7:30 that morning, the accident occurring seven minutes later at Bowersville.

The particulars of the terrible affair, as brought out at the coroner's inquest Tuesday forenoon are substantially as follows:

Mr. Quick was taking Mr. Manston, who was a building contractor, to the Daniel Stouffer farm, near Rickreall, which the former had but recently moved onto, for the purpose of doing some work. When the auto passed the home of Frank Burge, at the turn of the road a few rods north of the Bowersville station, Mr. Burge was standing on the front porch. He testified that the machine was going at a high rate of speed.

Just after it had turned the corner and was headed straight for the railroad, Mr. Burge heard the whistle of the motor car for the station and again for the crossing. There was a practically unobstructed view of the railroad track in both directions, for nearly half a mile from the road, and it seems highly improbable that the men in the speeding auto did not see the approaching car. It is more likely that Mr. Quick miscalculated the distance and speed of the motor car and thought he could get safely across ahead of it. An examination of the Ford afterward, showed that the throttle and control levers were wide open.

The motor car, which was going about 35 miles an hour, struck the auto directly at the front seat, on which both men were sitting. Motorman E. M. Bossler testified that when he first saw the machine it was only about 75 feet from the crossing and coming at full speed. He said he reversed his engine and applied the emergency brakes, but a light mist that had fallen had made the rails very slippery and the track being down grade, he was unable to stop the car until it had gone nearly 400 feet beyond the crossing.

The automobile was found hanging across the pilot and Mr. Manston was still in it. He was apparently dead, but showed signs of life shortly after being taken out. Quick was found only a few feet from the crossing, and he, too, was still alive, but unconscious. The ruined auto was dumped off the track, the injured men placed in the motor car, which was at once backed back to Dallas direct to the Oak street crossing, where the victims of the accident were removed to the hospital. Quick was then still alive, but Manston had passed away before the institution was reached. Dr. A. B. Starbuck, the railroad surgeon, Dr. V. C. Staats and the nurses did everything possible for Mr. Quick, but his injuries were so terrible that he passed away about 9:30. Both men had sustained fractures of the skull, fractured arms and legs and their jaw bones were also broken.

Besides Mr. Burge, the accident was witnessed by William Anderson, a young man, who was riding along the road on his bicycle. Hugh Black, deputy county treasurer, was a passenger on the train and says that he felt the impact of the collision and almost immediately after-

ward saw the body of Mr. Quick flying through the air past the window from which he was looking.

The accident occurred at identically the same spot where about ten days before a freight engine struck a traction engine, slightly injuring Mark Blodgett, driver of the latter. In that accident both the train and the machine were going in opposite directions than was the case in the latter accident.

The funeral of Mr. Quick occurred Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by the pastor, Rev. George H. Bennett. In the funeral home in I. O. O. F. cemetery, where the Masonic burial service was held by the local lodge.

Obsequies for Mr. Manston are being held this afternoon from the same church, Jennings Lodge, No. 9, A. F. & A. M., of which the deceased was senior warden, having charge. Burial will also be in the local cemetery. He was treasurer of Friendship Lodge I. O. O. F., and many members of that order are in attendance at the service.

Obituary of Mr. Quick.

James Warren Quick was born near Hillsboro, Washington county, Oregon, November 20, 1874. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Quick. With his parents he moved to near Suver, Polk county, about 25 years ago. Later he lived for a few years at Marshfield, and then moved to St. Helens, where he engaged in the abstract business with his brother. On October 20, 1908, he was married to Miss Lena Stouffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Stouffer, of Dallas, who, with a son three years old, survives him. Four years ago Mr. and Mrs. Quick returned to Polk county and have been residing on a farm near Ballston, until about two weeks ago, when they moved to the Stouffer farm near Rickreall.

Obituary of Mr. Manston.

W. H. F. Manston was born October 8, 1885, at Fargo, N. D. When two years old he moved with his parents to Duluth, Minn., and came to Dallas, Oregon, in 1901. He was educated in the schools at Dallas and Salem. After completing his education he engaged in the contracting and building business. He was married at Dallas June 2, 1909, to Miss Ida Starnin, who, with his father, M. Manston, survive. He was a prominent member of both the Masonic and Odd Fellows lodges of this city.

JACK GRANT CHAMPION BABY

Dallas Three-Year-Old Best Specimen of Physical Childhood in State.

Besides capturing most of the best individual school prizes and many of the other premiums, it remained for a Polk county youngster to walk away with the gold medal for the champion eugenic baby of the state. We say "walk" for Little Jack Grant is big enough to walk, even if he is still in the baby class.

David Jackson Grant was born in Dallas and has lived here all the three years of his life. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. David J. Grant, residing at the corner of Church and Academy streets. Last year at the Polk county eugenic show Jack won first prize with a score of 99.6; same prize in 1914, score 99.2; and grand champion prize over all babies at the state fair last week with a score of 99.5. He is a jolly, rollicky lad, and wins the hearts and friendship of all at first sight.

Young Mother Dies.

Mrs. Frances May Crank, aged 31 years, a resident of the Salt Creek neighborhood, died Sunday evening at the Dallas hospital, where she had been taken the day before. The lady had been ill for several weeks with brain trouble, which terminated in meningitis. She leaves a husband and several small children. Funeral services were held at the Chapman undertaking chapel Monday afternoon and interment was in the I. O. O. F. cemetery.

POLK MAKES GOOD SHOWING

Crawls Up to Second Place on General Exhibit at State Fair This Year.

What a little expenditure of money and systematic effort will do was demonstrated when Polk county came away with the second premium on general exhibit at the state fair last week. Clackamas county won first place with a score of 92 and Polk was only two points behind. Multnomah got third, Washington fourth and Yamhill fifth. Polk excelled in vegetables, Multnomah in fruit and grain and Washington in vegetables and grain. Yamhill's exhibit consisted largely of manufactured products.

Polk county's nearness to the top is due largely to the wise action of the board of fair directors in employing J. A. French, an agricultural expert, to gather and arrange the exhibits, and the same policy followed another year will put us in first place.

Among the Polk county live stock exhibitors at the fair the following won premiums:

Percherons—Burge & Evans, Rickreall, 3rd on stallion; 1st and 3rd on mare under 3 yrs.; 2nd on mare bred by owner; 2nd on get of 4 colts; 2nd on 2 colts, product of one mare; champion on stud, consisting of stallion and four mares; 2nd on best three mares.

Cotswolds—F. A. Kozier, Rickreall, 1st on ram 2 yrs. old; 1st on ram under 2 yrs.; 1st on ram under 1 yr.; 1st and 2nd on ewe 1 yr. and under 2 yrs.; 1st and 2nd on ewe under 1 yr.; 1st on flock; 1st and 2nd on pen; champion ram and champion ewe; special premium on pen of lambs. Wm. Riddle & Son, Monmouth, 2nd on ram over 2 yrs.; 2nd on ram over 1 yr. and under 2 yrs.; 3rd and 4th on ram under 1 yr.; 3rd and 4th on ewe under 1 yr.; 2nd on flock; 3rd on pen; 3rd on get of one sire.

Lincolns—Riddle & Sons, 1st on all rams; 1st and 2nd on all ewes; 1st on flock; 1st on pen; 1st on get of one sire; champion ram and champion ewe.

Angora goats—Riddle & Sons, 1st and 2nd on buck over 2 yrs.; 2nd and 3rd on buck kid; 1st and 2nd on doe over 2 yrs.; 1st and 2nd on doe under 2 yrs.; 1st and 2nd on doe kid; 1st on flock; champion buck.

Teachers' Institute Oct. 30th.

The institute of Polk county teachers, October 30th, will have as one of its speakers Dr. H. D. Sheldon, dean of the department of education at the University of Oregon, who will come to Dallas from Salem, where he will appear at the Marion county institute October 29th. Dr. Sheldon, who was brought to the state university this fall from the University of Pittsburg to add to the university's already strong educational department, is well known among Oregon pedagogues, having been on the university faculty prior to 1912. From Oregon he went to Germany and England for study, thereafter becoming a professor in the educational division of the University of Pittsburg.

Trains Change Time.

Another change in the train service went into effect Sunday, which is not proving very popular, especially to the residents of Monmouth and Airle.

S. F. C. & W. trains 165 and 168 have been discontinued between Dallas and Falls City.

The 7:30 p. m. motor car between Dallas and Monmouth has been discontinued.

The Portland passenger now runs to Monmouth only, the I. & M. operating two trains daily between Monmouth and Airle.

The local freight formerly having terminal at Airle now has terminal at McMinnville.

Tank Nearly Finished.

City Engineer Sanford B. Taylor informs the Itemizer that the pouring of cement for the new septic tank being built by the city was completed Wednesday. As soon as the cement is sufficiently set the frames will be torn away and the finishing work done. The work on the sewer changes necessitated is being pushed rapidly and will be completed about the same time as the tank.

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