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AID FOR DALLAS GOAT SHOW

National Angora Association Makes Appropriation for Prizes for Blooded Animals.

The members of the Polk County Mohair Association were made happy this week by the receipt of a letter from the National Angora Association voluntarily pledging the sum of \$300 to be used for premiums at the next annual goat show in Dallas. The liberal offer came as a complete surprise, the first news of the action of the National Association being contained in the following letter to Secretary H. L. Fenton:

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 24.
H. L. Fenton,
Sec'y Polk County Mohair Ass'n,
Dallas, Oregon.

My Dear Sir:—In appreciation of the encouragement that has been given to the Angora goat breeders of Oregon, and the manifold benefits derived by them from the exhibits of Angora goats held under the auspices of the Polk County Mohair Association, and in recognition of the indefatigable work of the management of your organization in behalf of the improvement and advancement of the Angora breed of goats and in the promotion of the Angora goat husbandry in your state, the American Angora Goat Breeders' Association is desirous of lending aid and assistance to what it trusts will this year prove the banner Angora goat exhibit of your organization.

Two hundred dollars has been appropriated by our Association for premium awards at the next Dallas show, which it most respectfully requests be accepted.

It is desired that the sum appropriated be apportioned to all the cash awards in the several classes of Angora goats made by your Association, so as to act in each case as a Special Cash Premium in addition to the one provided, the special premiums being for award on animals recorded in the Pedigree Register of the American Goat Breeders' Association exhibited by its members.

Trusting this appropriation will be accepted as evidence of the keen interest entertained by our Association in the success of the Dallas Show, and in testimonial of its appreciation of the splendid work of your Association in behalf of the Angora breed of goats, I beg to remain,

Very respectfully,
JOHN W. FULTON,
Secretary.

The American Angora Goat Breeders' Association was organized in 1900. It maintains the only American Record of Thoroughbred Angora goats and is the national organization representing and championing this breed of live stock in the United States. Its five hundred members represent nearly every state and territory. It has 58,000 recorded Angora goats on its Pedigree Register.

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The headquarters of the Association is at Kansas City, Missouri. Its President is Lawrence, Kansas; its National Secretary is John W. Fulton, Montana; its Regional Secretaries are: G. A. Gwin, Kansas; D. C. Taylor, New Mexico; John W. Fulton, Montana; R. C. Johnston, Kansas; F. O. Landrum, Texas; W. C. Bailey, California; D. E. Womack, Missouri; James Riddell, Oregon; G. A. Hoerle, Kansas; J. R. Barnett, Arizona; E. P. Cobill, Maryland; Lee Emrick, Missouri; Arthur Hill, Missouri.

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SEES MANY CHANGES

Prominent Oregon Pioneer and Indian War Veteran Gives His Impressions of Dallas.

[Continued from Last Week]

After I quit the United States mail service, I spent one summer with D. P. Thompson east of the Cascade Mountains on a surveying expedition. He surveyed all that country from Willow Creek to the foot of the Blue Mountains, which took in Butter Creek, Umatilla Valley, Birch Creek, Wild Horse Creek, then over to the Oregon line, then to the Columbia River.

We got back to The Dalles about October 1. I wintered there and was Deputy Sheriff about one year. At that time, Wasco County extended from the Cascade Mountains to the foot of the Rockies. Sixteen counties have since been made out of Wasco County, yet the county is now nearly as large as some of the eastern states. While I was Deputy Sheriff, I had to ride from 75 to 100 miles to summon jurors.

At that time, The Dalles was a wide-open town, with plenty of gamblers and toughs. Three companies of soldiers were stationed at the garrison. The soldiers would come to town nearly every night, and there were many fights between them and the gamblers. A good many soldiers were killed at different times, but no one was convicted for murder.

In the month of April, 1861, I started a pony express to the Oro Fino mines. Ran the express alone until October, when Joaquin Miller came to Walla Walla with a letter of introduction to me from his uncle, Colonel Chapman, of Portland, and wanted to form a partnership with me in the business. He only had one pony and five dollars, but I took him in. He remained with me for about eight months. We then dissolved partnership, and Miller went to Port Orford, where he married Minnie Dyer, better known as Minnie Myrtle. She was quite a poet and a good all-around writer. They lived in Eugene a short time and then went to Canyon City, where Miller was Probate Judge. He afterwards went to Europe and made a big name.

I sold my express business to Wells, Fargo & Company in the Fall of 1863 and removed to Albany. Six months later I bought the Eureka Hotel in Salem, at the south end of Commercial street. While keeping hotel in the summer of 1865, I visited Dallas and saw a thriving little village.

I did not visit Dallas again until July 25, 1906, when I had the pleasure of meeting quite a number of my old friends of the Yakima War. To say that I was much surprised at the great change in Dallas is putting it mildly. I found a thriving, bustling city of at least 2000 or 2500 inhabitants, with a beautiful courthouse, a well-kept public square, and many fine business blocks. Many of the stores will compare favorably with those in Portland. There are two large sawmills, one with a capacity of 150,000 feet per day; an axe and pick handle factory, where helms and pick handles of the best quality are made from oak timber. The town has two good hotels. All of the professions are well represented. Dallas has as many fine residences as any city on the Pacific Coast of the same size, and many beautiful, well-kept lawns. I was sorry that I did not have time to visit Falls City, but I had to be back in Portland, Monday, July 30.

I met in Dallas of my old comrades, J. M. Campbell, T. J. Huyter and Dr. T. V. B. Embree. I also met Hon. J. L. Collins, an Indian War veteran, at Rickreall. I visited Samuel and Jacob Burch; also, Mrs. Dr. Boyle, whom I had not seen for 45 years. I shall always treasure in my mind my late visit to Polk county. My old comrades and their families did all they could to make my visit pleasant, and I surely had a royal time. I return my thanks for their sincere kindness. May God bless them all, and may we meet again—if not on earth, in the Bright Hereafter.
ISAAC V. MOSSMAN.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

Continued from Last Week.
Mrs. H. E. Kozer Writes Entertainingly of Her Visit to Washington Home at Mount Vernon.

As for the furnishings of the different rooms, I can only tell of a few most prominent features. The East Parlor, or music room, contains a harpsichord, imported from London at a cost of \$1000 as a bridal present from Washington to Nellie Custis; a silver-mounted, rosewood flute; a card table on which Washington and Lafayette played whist; a guitar and music book. In the cabinet are blue and gold dishes, presented by Lafayette; spectacles, champagne glasses, punch bowl; a satin belt worn by one of the 3000 schoolgirls who, in 1824, welcomed Lafayette; spoons, shoe buckles, buttons from military uniform, lock of Washington's hair, and many other objects which perhaps would be more interesting to see than read about. The furniture is upholstered in muscal and floral designs.

In the West Parlor, the window cornices and curtain bands are relics of the days before Washington came to live here. The rug was made by order of Louis XVI of France for General Washington. It is of a dark green ground; in the center is the American eagle, surrounded with stars. A white enamel chair, with pink and cream brocade satin, came from the birthplace of Lafayette, (Chateau de Chavagnac).

In the Library, we note, not without curiosity, the titles of the books which made up the reading of the Master of Mount Vernon as soldier, statesman and farmer. Within the bookcase is the silver inkstand, with silver snuffers and tray. Among other relics is a surveyor's tripod, French clock, and a foot-bench formerly in a pew of Old Trinity Church in New York.

The family dining room is adorned with a Chippendale sideboard, containing some of the Mount Vernon china. The china in the corner cupboard is a reproduction of the set presented to Mrs. Washington by the officers of the French fleet in 1793. Each piece is inscribed with the monogram "M. W." in a wreath of olive and laurel, and with a chain whose links contain the names of the 15 states of the period. On the mantel over the fireplace is a bust of Washington with the jewel of a Grand Master Mason. On the wall hangs a large frame containing the portraits of 60 Generals of the Revolution.

In the Banquet Hall, the central ornament is the mantle-piece of Sienna marble, carved in Italy and presented to Washington by a gentleman of London. The story goes that, on its way to America, the mantle was seized by French pirates, who sent it to its destination when they learned that it belonged to Washington. The panels are carved to represent pastoral scenes. The stucco ceiling is the original. Designs symbolical of agriculture are suggestive that the host who presided there was himself a farmer. On a mahogany, claw-foot dining table are the glass and silver used on occasions of state dinners.

The upper rooms are full of interesting relics of Colonial days. The room in which General Washington died is a south bedroom. The furniture is that which was used by him, the bedstead being the one upon which he died. The mahogany chair and table, a large chair which belonged to Washington's mother, the hair-cloth chest with the initials "G. W." and the date "1775," are in this room.

After the death of General Washington, the south bedroom was closed, in accordance with a custom of the time, to be left vacant for the space of three years, and Mrs. Washington occupied the room directly above, choosing it because the window overlooked the grave of her husband. Here she died.

Lafayette Room is the one which the Marquis occupied when a guest. A walnut stand in this room was made from wood from the estate of Robert Morris. The River Room contains a chair which came to America with the Mayflower. The bedstead was used by Washington in Pennsylvania in 1777. In one of the window panes, more than 100 years ago, one of Mrs. Washington's grandchildren cut with a diamond her name and the date, August 2, 1792, and here it is today.

In the Connecticut Room may be seen an old-fashioned fire-screen, with an adjustable frame which may be raised or lowered at pleasure. The English bedstead in the Florida Room was brought to this country by way of Bermuda. The mahogany chairs

in the District of Columbia Room belonged originally to Mount Vernon.

The Rhode Island Room contains among other relics a table upon which were spread out for discussion the plans of the battles of Bunker Hill, Lexington and Concord. Tennessee's room is furnished in Colonial style with furniture made of Tennessee wild cherry.

In the old kitchen, the culinary art is no longer practised, although the crane still hangs in the great fireplace, and the brick oven alongside is well preserved. Here we had an opportunity to buy milk. Nothing else in the way of refreshment is served.

The outbuildings comprise the customary appendages of a Virginia home. The sun-dial on the lawn was erected by the citizens of Rhode Island in 1888 to replace the one which stood on this exact spot at the time of Washington. "I record none but sunny hours," runs the motto.

MRS. H. E. KOZER.

HOP CROP IS LIGHTER

Extreme Hot Weather Responsible for Shrinking of Crop in Willamette Valley.

Visits to hop yards in all parts of the county and surrounding country has brought out the fact that the yards have suffered somewhat from the hot weather and that as a result of this condition, the crop will be lighter than expected. The yards have suffered from a lack of moisture for the past several weeks and the arid air is shorter, having been retarded by the extreme heat. As a result of the hot weather the yards are entirely free from lice and the crop will be as clean as any grown in Oregon, but the weight will not be there. A rain in the past ten days would have increased the output of the yards in this section of the country fully 30 per cent, according to the statement of the most expert of the hop growers in this section of the state, says the Albany Herald.

It is thought that the crop of the state will scarcely exceed 110,000 bales of hops this year as against an estimate earlier in the season of 125,000 to 130,000 bales. The market is a little quieter this week than for some little time past, but the demand is just as strong, owing to the reported shortage of the crop in England where less than 325,000 hundredweights are expected this year as against 695,000 hundredweights last year.

Pickers are plentiful in this part of the state and the growers have had no trouble in registering, some of them having already secured all the help they require for the harvest. In the Independence district, however, it is thought that the pickers will be less plentiful owing to the large area planted to hops and there the growers are somewhat disturbed over the labor situation. It is expected, however, that as usual during the picking season, sufficient pickers will be secured.

Elvin A. Thorp Dies.

Elvin A. Thorp died in Baker City, Oregon, August 10, 1906, aged 86 years. He was born in Holt county, Missouri, January 13, 1820, and emigrated to Oregon in 1844, where he settled on a donation land claim of 320 acres at Independence, Polk county. He was the original founder of the town of Independence. He was married to Miss Esther Eddy, March 22, 1853. His surviving children are: Mrs. Henry J. Butler, of Monmouth; Ezra Thorp, of Payette, Idaho; Milford Thorp, of Thorp, Wash., and Mrs. John E. Hale, of Baker City, Oregon.

Craft-Cooper.

Miss Patience Cooper, of Portland, and M. F. Craft were married at the beautiful country home of R. D. Cooper, her brother, a mile north of Independence, Or., Wednesday noon, August 8, the ceremony being performed by Rev. John Osborn, of the Baptist church. The parlors were beautifully decorated with flowers. Refreshments were served and a pleasant family reunion the newly married couple left for their future home near The Dalles.

Goes to Hood River.

Prof. E. E. Coad has been elected principal of the Hood River high school. Prof. Coad had charge of Santiam Academy during the past two years, and is a very able and successful instructor. The school board of Hood River are fortunate in securing his services.—Lebanon Express.

Forest fires are raging in the mountains east of Albany, and much valuable timber has been destroyed. Campers have been driven out by the flames, and the little town of Berry, on the Corvallis & Eastern railroad narrowly escaped destruction.

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