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EXHIBIT BY SCHOOL CHILDREN

Bright Boys and Girls Make First Polk County Industrial Fair a Grand Success.

Successful beyond the foudest hopes of its promoters was the Polk County School Children's Fair, which came to a close in Dallas last Saturday afternoon. The exhibits were numerous and attractive in all departments, and the attendance from all parts of Polk county was far beyond expectations. The Dallas College gymnasium, where the fair was held, was crowded with visitors both days, and it is estimated that not less than 5000 people viewed the exhibits.

The competition was strong in all departments, and the judges found it a difficult task to decide upon the relative merits of the displays made by the various schools. Fully one-half of the districts in the county were represented, and the large hall was filled with the products of orchard, garden and field and the handiwork of the young people. The individual exhibits by pupils were also of excellent grade.

The judges of the horticultural exhibits were C. I. Lewis, State Horticulturist at the Oregon Agricultural College, and R. R. Routledge, of Portland. The judges in the girls' department were Miss Snell, professor of household economy at the Oregon Agricultural College, and Miss Ada Starkweather, matron of the Young Women's Christian Association of Portland.

An excellent literary and musical program was given in the pavilion Friday night. The principal address was delivered by J. H. Ackerman, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who spoke along practical educational lines. Professor Lewis, of Corvallis, County School Superintendent C. L. Starr, R. R. Routledge, Miss Snell and State Food Commissioner J. W. Bailey also made brief talks.

The grand prize, a $475 piano, was won by the Dallas school, whose collective exhibit was so much more extensive than those of its competitors as to leave no doubt in any mind as to the correctness of the judges' decision. Falls City was a close second to Dallas, and many other schools made displays that won for them the highest praise. The complete list of prize-winners follows:

GRAND PRIZES.

Best collective district exhibit—first, Dallas district, $475 Hobart M. Cable piano from Eilers' Piano House; second, Falls City district, $25 Globe from Northwest School Furniture Company.

COUNTY PRIZES.

Individual exhibit of potatoes—first, Wiley Gardner, $10 suit from Uglow Clothing House; second, Willis Reynolds, $2.50 seed stock from Portland Seed Co.; third, Alfred Vick, honorable mention.

Corn—first, Claris Powell, Poland China hog from T. W. Brunk; second, $2.50 seed stock from Portland Seed Company.

Cabbage—first, Roy Guttry, Cotswold ewe from F. H. Fawk; second, Wiley Gardner, $2.50 seed stock from Portland Seed Co.; third, Willis Reynolds, honorable mention.

Pumpkins—first, Willis Reynolds, Berkshire hog from D. L. Keyt; second, Alfred Vick, 2.50 seed stock from Portland Seed Co.; third, Ruth Nunn, honorable mention.

Individual collective exhibit—first, Wiley Gardner, Lincoln ewe from Hawley & Son; second, Willis Reynolds, $5 cash; third, Cecil Dodd, honorable mention.

Record of growth—first, Cecil Dodd, $5 cash from William Riddell; second, T. E. Brunk, $2 cash.

GIRLS UNDER 12 YEARS.

Sewing—first, Nellie Stewart, $5 cash; second, Adah Campbell, pair of shoes from Bee Hive Store.

Darning—first, Adah Campbell, $5 street jacket; second, Alfreda Garner, silver thimble.

Jelly—first, Ruby Lorence, $5 gold ring; second, Faye Berry, $1 box of candy from Frank Kersey and pair of White Bantam chickens from Ray & Stoner; third, Edith Garner, honorable mention.

Canned fruit—first, Ruth Shaw, $5 cash; second, Goldie Bissell, $1 box of candy from Tracy Staats and work box from Stafrin Drug Co.; third, Aileen Miller, honorable mention.

Light bread—first, Gladys Smith, $5 cash; second, Alfreda Garner, $2 cash from Rickreall Milling Co.; third, Jack Eakin, honorable mention.

Flowers—first, Meriam Hart, $5 cash; second, Adah Campbell, flower garden set from William Faull; third, Muriel Grant, gold ring.

GIRLS OVER 12 YEARS.

Sewing—first, Gladys Stewart, gold thimble from A. H. Harris; second, Ada Longnecker, gold pen.

Darning—first, Anna Garner, $5 cash; second, Ada Longnecker, 1 dozen photographs from T. J. Cherrington.

Jelly—first, Vesta Gardner, toilet set; second, Nada Scott, shirt waist from Mrs. Metzger.

Canned fruit—first, Ava Shields, gold bracelet; second, Genevieve Cooper, subscription to Ladies' Home Journal from W. R. Ellis; third, Myra Lucas, honorable mention.

Light bread—first, Emma Miller, $5 cash; second, Genevieve Cooper, manicure set from Belt & Cherrington; third, Nada Scott, honorable mention.

Flowers—first, Willis Reynolds, $5 cash; second, Cecil Dodd, hat pin from C. H. Morris; third, Lindsay Dennis, honorable mention.

SPECIAL PRIZES.

Prizes given by POLK COUNTY OBSERVER for watermelons and muskmelons—first, Ralph Grant, $3; second Willis Reynolds, $2; third, Elmer Butz, $1; best muskmelon, Willis Reynolds, $1.50.

Prizes given by Rickreall Milling Company for best bread, rolls and pastry made from their "Bluestem Blend" flour: Best bread, Gladys Smith, $10; best rolls, Pauline Coad, $5; best pastry, Ava Shields, $5.

Prizes given by Falls City Logger for best displays made by pupils of Falls City or Oakhurst schools—first, Cecil Dodd, $5 cash; second, Alfred Vick, one year's subscription to Logger.

Special prizes were granted to Gladys Wilson and Hattie Smith for fancy work, Florence Allen, Ava Shields and Hattie Smith for cakes.

DALLAS PRIZES.

Six potatoes—first, Willis Reynolds, stand lamp from Howe's Grocery; second, Claudia Brown, $1.

Five ears sweet corn—first, Peter McDougal, pair shoes from Ellis & Keyt; second, Ruth Nunn, $1.

Cabbage—first, Willis Reynolds, pair shoes from Ellis & Keyt; second, Claudia Brown, $1.

Pumpkin—first, Willis Reynolds, silk umbrella from Bee Hive Store; second, Ruth Nunn, $1.

Twelve onions—first, Della Syron, lamp from Loughary's Grocery; second, Willis Reynolds, $1.

Beets—first, Wayne Greenwood, pair shoes from Pollock's store; second, Willis Reynolds, $1.

Best display garden products—first, Willis Reynolds, house coat from Uglow Clothing House; second, Claudia Brown, knife from Chris Risser; third, Ruth Nunn, honorable mention.

Dahlias—first, Willis Reynolds, decorated dish from Crider's Grocery; second, Adah Campbell, $1.

Sweet peas—first, Willis Reynolds, water set from Meiser & Meiser; second, Milton Levin, $1.

Nasturtiums—first, Merian Hart, gold pen from A. H. Harris; second, Willis Reynolds, $1.

Pansies—first, Muriel Grant, gold ring from C. H. Morris; second, Willis Reynolds, $1.

Carnations—first, Willis Reynolds, books from Stafrin Drug Company; second, Meriam Hart, $1.

All kinds of flowers—first, Willis Reynolds, fountain pen from Belt & Cherrington; second, Meriam Hart, $1.

Cake—first, Aileen Miller, silk ribbon from Miss Bertha Collins; second, Nada Scott, $1.

Grand prize for best display in all departments—first, Ruth Nunn, phonograph from L. D. Daniel; second, Willis Reynolds, $3; third, Claudia Brown, $2.

Apron—first, Ada Longnecker, hat from Mrs. Metzger's millinery store; second, Katie Hughes, $1.

Bread—first, Aileen Miller, manicure set from Guy Brothers; second, Nada Scott, $1.

Canned fruit—first, Amy Whitehorn, berry set; second, Lulu Polka, $1.

Two glasses of jelly—first, Nada Scott, framed picture from F. Kerslake; second, Adah Campbell, $1.

Housekeeping work—first, Adah Campbell, shoes from J. C. Gaynor; second, Aileen Miller, $1.

A complete list of the names of the exhibitors is as follows:

District No. 2—Claudia Brown, Willis Reynolds, Harold Miller, Clarence Kraber, Ruth Nunn, Willie Besecker, Homer Calkins, Ersel Stowe, Peter McDougal, Mary Kraber, Carrie Gohrke, Ralph Grant, Maurice Hays, Edith Griffith, Katie Hughes, Annie Longnecker, Margery Holman, Adah Campbell, Pauline Coad, Muriel Hays, Ruth Campbell, Aileen Miller, Vera Stowe, Goldie Plaster, Esther Gates, Ella Morrison, Bertha Morrison, Marjorie Bennett, Gladys Loughary, Amy Whitehorn, Celia Hevliand, Merle Hall, Jack Eakin, Gladys Martin, Meriam Hart, Ada Longnecker, Lilah McDaniel, Lulu Polka, Iva McDaniel, Nada Scott, Freda Grant, Blanche Day, Norma Holman, Margery Hayes, Hugh Ayres, Elmer Butz, Della Syron, Wayne Greenwood, Milton Levin.

District No. 3—Verda Hubbard, Ina Hubbard.

District No. 4—T. E. Brunk.

District No. 7—Wiley, Orvil, Lester and Edith Gardner.

District No. 9—Gerald and Clyde Tillery.

District No. 12—Dwight Arnold.

District No. 13—Claris Powell, Faye Berry, Neva Ritchey.

District No. 17—Nellie Stewart, Ava Shields, Gladys Stewart.

District No. 18—Ray Boydston, Ruth Shaw.

District No. 19—Florence Allen.

District No. 21—John Sloan.

District No. 24—Edna and Myrtle Mulkey, Jennings and Ruby Lorence.

District No. 26—D. Rempel, Kenneth Lucas, Ruby Farmer, Echo Stefarth, Gladys Smith, Jamie Farmer, E. Rempel, Josie Farmer, Myra Lucas.

District No. 29—Genevieve Cooper, Gladys Wilson.

District No. 30—Hattie Smith.

District No. 37—Elvin Porter, Roy and Addie Guttry.

District No. 41—Ed Parker.

District No. 42—Margarita Braun, Goldie Bissell.

District No. 45—Carey Pewtherer.

District No. 50—L. M. Bowles.

District No. 51—Lindsay Dennis.

District No. 53—John and Alta Prickett, Grace and Emma Miller.

District No. 54—Emil Fern.

District No. 57—Alfred Vick, Lester and Cecil Dodd, Alfreda and Anna Garner.

District No. 61—Vesta Gardner.

District No. 62—Clara Aikman.

COMING ATTRACTION

Sixth Annual Tour of Miss Margarita Fischer and Her Own Company.

The above well-known favorites will open a three nights' engagement at Woodman Hall in Dallas, Thursday, October 11, with the comedy-drama "LaBelle Marie" with Miss Fischer in the title role. The company has just returned from a successful stock engagement of 20 weeks at Eureka, California, and is stronger and better than ever.

It is the aim of the management to sustain their previous good reputation, and, with this end in view, great care has been used in the selection of the players who are supporting Miss Fischer on this, her farewell tour.

Seats on sale at Belt & Cherrington's drug store.

Miss Josephine Armstrong wishes to announce that she will continue in charge of the Art Department of Dallas College for the ensuing year. Miss Armstrong is prepared to give instruction in Art, Oil and Water Color painting, Pyrography, Charcoal Drawing and Pen Drawing for illustration. The studio will be opened Sept. 25, at which time Miss Armstrong will receive pupils in those branches.

Claude Plank left for his home in El Paso, Texas, Monday afternoon, after a brief visit with relatives and friends.

Many men give lavishly of gold,
To build bridges and castles and towers of old;
If you want everlasting fame, a benefactor be,
Give the poor and needy Rocky Mountain Tea. Belt & Cherrington.

Manager J. S. Cooper, of the hop yards, before adjournment for the summer, presented the pickers with a bottle of pop and the girls with an extra ticket for an ice cream treat. They were out last evening in full force enjoying this generosity.—Albany Democrat.

This is the season of decay and weakened vitality. Nature is being shorn of its beauty and bloom. If you would retain yours, fortify your system with Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Belt & Cherrington.

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WANT COMMERCIAL WIRE

Independent Telephone Subscribers Soon to Have Connection With Outside World.

J. M. Staats, of Airlie, was in Dallas, Monday, in the interest of the Independent telephone system. He is working for the construction of a commercial line between Dallas and Corvallis, and expects to call a meeting of the farmers at Airlie in the near future to consider plans for carrying out the improvement.

Polk county now has the best system of Independent party lines in the state, but a commercial wire to connect the county with the outside world is badly needed. The Home Telephone Company is building a commercial line from Portland to Albany, which will connect with the commercial line between Albany and Corvallis. With the completion of a commercial wire from Dallas to Corvallis, the people of Polk county will be given direct communication with Portland and all East Side points.

The Independent subscribers in Benton county are anxious to obtain this connection and also to be in closer touch with Polk county, and have agreed to build the line from Airlie to Corvallis if the subscribers in Polk county will build to Airlie. They are anxious to begin the work of construction, and for this reason Mr. Staats will endeavor to get the work in Polk county under way without further delay.

Mr. Staats has rendered invaluable service in establishing the excellent telephone service now enjoyed by the farmers and may be justly termed the "father of the mutual system in southern Polk county." He built the Lewisville, Falls City & Dallas line—the first line connecting the southern half of the county with Dallas—and also built the first line into the corporate limits of Dallas. He built the party lines connecting Dallas with Corvallis and also constructed the first line into Albany, thus connecting that city with Buena Vista, Independence, Monmouth, Airlie and Dallas. Mr. Staats has devoted much time to this work, and the excellence of the present system is due to his untiring energy.

The party lines now in use are very useful and desirable, but the system will not be complete until commercial lines are built to connect the entire Willamette Valley with Portland. The most important gap to be filled is between Dallas and Corvallis, and it is expected that this important connection will be made in the course of the next few weeks.

MOTOR TIME TABLE

Complete Train Schedule as Recently Revised by President H. Hirschberg.

The excellent service now enjoyed by patrons of the motor company is greatly appreciated, as it brings all the principal towns of the county into close connection and greatly facilitates the transaction of business. The new time schedule is as follows:

FROM INDEPENDENCE.

FOR DALLAS.

Leave Independence, daily ex. Sunday, 7:35 a. m.; lv. Monmouth, 7:45 a. m.; ar. Dallas, 8:10 a. m.

Leave Independence, daily, 10:35 a. m.; lv. Monmouth, 10:50 a. m.; ar. Dallas, 11:15 a. m.

Leave Independence, daily, 6:15 p. m.; lv. Monmouth, 6:30 p. m.; ar. Dallas, 6:55 p. m.

FOR AIRLIE.

Leave Independence, daily, 7:30 a. m.; lv. Monmouth, 7:40 a. m.; ar. Airlie, 8:15 a. m.

Leave Independence, daily, 3:30 p. m.; lv. Monmouth, 3:50 p. m.; ar. Airlie, 4:25 p. m.

FOR MONMOUTH ONLY.

Leave Independence, daily, 2:15 p. m.

FROM DALLAS.

FOR INDEPENDENCE.

Leave Dallas, daily ex. Sunday, 9:15 a. m.; lv. Monmouth, 9:40 a. m.; ar. Independence, 9:55 a. m.

Leave Dallas, daily, 1 p. m.; lv. Monmouth, 1:25 p. m.; ar. Independence, 1:40 p. m. (This train connects at Monmouth for Airlie.)

Leave Dallas, daily, 7:35 p. m.; lv. Monmouth, 8 p. m.; ar. Independence, 8:15 p. m.

FROM AIRLIE.

Leave Airlie, daily, 9 a. m.; lv. Monmouth, 9:35 a. m.; ar. Independence, 9:50 a. m. (This train connects at Monmouth for Dallas.)

Leave Airlie, daily, 5:05 p. m.; lv. Monmouth, 5:40 p. m.; ar. Independence, 5:55 p. m.

FROM MONMOUTH ONLY.

Leaves Monmouth for Independence, daily, at 2.50 p. m.

William the Leader.

William Jennings Bryan, who long ago ceased to be a novelty, is to be novelized by a gushingly sentimental authoress who answers to the name of Mary Dillon. Mary has long cherished an ambition to "put Bryan in a book," and she has decided to call her literary effort "The Leader," a name suggestive of those department stores that mark down shelf-worn goods to 47 cents. Bryan is masqueraded under the name of John Dalton, and, it is said, at the very outset John gets tangled up with as bewitching piece of feminine baggage as ever made a monkey of a man. But we will not disclose more of the plot. The novel will be inflicted on the public next month, when you can get a copy if you have the price.—Helix Herald.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Richmond, Mrs. Sarah Richmond and Mrs. Otho Williams were among the Dallas visitors in Portland this week.

POLK'S BIG FRUIT FARM

Wallace Orchard Near Salem Is Second to None in the Willamette Valley.

The Wallace fruit farm, four miles from Salem, on the Polk county side, midway between the picturesque Polk county hills and the broad waters of the "Beautiful Willamette" is one of the most ideal and delightful spots in all Oregon. The farm consists of several hundred acres of some of the best land in the world and a large percentage of it is in fruit trees. The only fruits grown for commercial purposes are apples and pears. Of course there are the usual by-products and on this farm, the chief of which is hogs.

As has been said this farm is one of the most beautiful spots in the state. About half of it is the richest of river bottom land and will produce anything that will grow in the temperate zone. There is no finer garden land in the world. In fact most of the land that is set to fruit trees is too valuable even for fruit. The other half of the farm consists of undulating hills and is ideal fruit land. On the hill land, the dwelling, a pretty bungalow, is situated. Just below the dwelling, and in the direction of the river, is a beautiful natural lake and there are patches of timber scattered about in different parts of the farm.

Most of the pears grown are of the Bartlett variety. This is the staple crop. The other and later varieties are the Buerre Claigau, the Buerre Bosc, the Duchess, the Comice and the Fall Butter.

Three hundred tons of Bartletts have already been saved this year. The average price per ton this year was $16, but it is generally understood that about $20 was paid for the product of this farm.

The later varieties of pears are already nearly picked, too, but most of the Comice crop is on the trees yet. The later varieties are not sold by the ton, as they do not go to the cannery, but by the box. The late varieties on the farm will yield about 3000 orchard boxes.

Only two varieties of apples are grown on the Wallace farm, the Spitzenburg and the Baldwin. There are a few red cheeked pippins grown for pollenizing purposes.

The apple picking has not begun yet, but it is estimated that there will be from 12,000 to 15,000 boxes in the crop, and these will bring in the market considerably more than a dollar a box.

Although it has been generally considered that the barns and packing houses on this place were ample, it was ascertained this year that the crop could be moved with more facility if there was more room in the packing houses, and the management is having the packing house capacity more than doubled. These additions will be completed before the work of picking and packing apples begins.

Since the unfortuate death of the late Professor McElfresh, there has been no foreman on the farm, but the management has been vested in the hands of the administrator of the Wallace estate. However, the active work of managing the picking and packing the fruit is being ably looked after by Mr. E. C. Armstrong.

As has been before mentioned, one of the chief by-products is swine. No one on the farm knows how many hogs are on the place, but the woods are full of them. The place is literally alive with hogs. These animals are allowed to run all over the place and live and fatten on the fruit that falls from the trees, and late in the Fall are grain fed for a short time, and then are sold to the slaughter houses. Thousands of dollars worth of hogs are sold from the place each year. It is one of the big things for the farm. The hogs are good stock and are of the Poland China breed, and they thrive, although no one pays any attention to them.

The Wallace fruit farm was selected for this preachment, not because it is any better or any more judiciously managed than dozens of others in the valley; but because it is the easiest to drive to of any of the large farms, when starting out from Salem.—Capital Journal.

Will Use Oil.

It is announced that soon all engines on the Southern Pacific will be oil burners. The change is to be made in view of the success which the company has had in the use of this product. For some time the passenger engines have been using oil, and now all other wood and coal burners will be altered so as to use the oil. At first it was said that oil would not prove a success, but experience has shown this to be wrong. It is claimed the oil results in both a saving and in operation a more even supply of steam can be kept. The big tank at St. Joe is nearing completion and will soon supply the engines on the Yamhill division.

If you have lost your boyhood spirits, courage and confidence of youth, we offer you new life, fresh courage and freedom from ill health in Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents, Tea or Tablets. Belt & Cherrington.