

Lane County Farmers Union News

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BOYS AND GIRLS WIN MANY FAIR PRIZES

Club Workers Competing with Older Persons Take Many Awards in Judging and Displays of Agriculture, Livestock and Handiwork.

Competing against the stock breeders of the county, in many cases their own fathers, members of the boys' and girls' industrial clubs of Lane county won many prizes in the open stock competition at the County fair in Eugene, and in the senior holstein calf competition took the four money prizes. The material entered at the fair from the clubs includes holstein calves, Jerseys calves, guernsey calves, 12 kinds of poultry, sewing and cooking. Besides prizes won in open competition they won prizes in their own classes.

"The quality of work displayed by the clubs is better this year than ever before," said W. H. Baillie, of the Oregon Agricultural college, Corvallis, and supervisor of the clubs for the four counties of Lane, Linn, Marion and Polk in the work done carrying out the program under the United States Department of Agriculture. Special bulletins are prepared which are given into the hands of children in the rural communities in the form of an extension course from O. A. C. At present, Mr. Baillie stated, only one third of the children ordinarily competing are represented, due to the fact that the court this year dispensed with the rural school supervisor.

Rexford Eldson, of the Glennwood school, Springfield, won the only prize awarded in the home beautification contest.

Prize-winners in the cooking class are:

- 1st, Velma Drew, Eugene motor route 1.
- 2nd, Pearl Elliott, Eugene motor route 1.
- 3rd, Margaret Muhr, Eugene motor route C.

That a boy won the first prize in the first year sewing class is a notable fact. He is Marl Liles of Goshen.

2nd, Bernice Hollingsworth of Mable; 3rd, Pauline Blais, Eugene.

Three Dorena girls took the prizes for second year sewing: 1st, Patricia Mendell; 2nd, Nellie Teeters; 3rd, Opal Wagner.

Three Junction City girls won in the third year class: 1st, Barbara Dunn; 2nd, Zella Edwards; 3rd, Florence Ohlson.

The winners in the guernsey senior calf class was: 1st, May Larsen of Alvadore. Ruth Larsen of Alvadore, sister of May Larsen, won first in the unior calf class.

Winners in the jersey cattle entries were as follows: junior calf, 1st, Francis Livengood, Eugene motor route B; 2nd, Helen McCallister, Eugene; 3rd, Robert McCallister; yearling heifer, 1st, Ellsworth Plank, Junction City route 2; 2nd, Kenneth Dunn, Junction City route 2; 3rd, Castle McCallister, Eugene route A; senior calf, 1st, Guy Gilmore, Junction City route 1; 2nd, Barbara Dunn, Junction City route 2.

Holstein winners were as follows: for best yearling heifer, 1st, Charlie Swango, Coburg; 2nd, Tom Winn, Coburg; junior calf, 1st, Paul Longcoy, Coburg; senior calf, 1st, Tom Winn, Coburg; 2nd, Roy Swango, Coburg; 3rd, Charlie Swango, Coburg.

Marl Liles of Goshen won first award for the best beef calf, and first for the best beef cow and calf.

The special prize of \$10 offered by the Lane County Cattle club to the members of the boys' and girls' industrial clubs fitting up their calves in the best manner and handling them well in the show ring, was divided among 5 person: 1st, Ellsworth Plank;

2nd, Barbara Dunn; 3rd, Helen McCallister; 4th, Guy Gilmore; 5th, Robert McCallister.

The boys and girls also competed as clubs in the stock-judging contest, and were scored by points for their judgment on the various classes of stock at the fair.

The Blachly Calf club won the first award, and the three members, Nellie Rust, Clinton Dysinger, and Ross Taylor, with their leader, S. R. Tilson, will represent Lane county at the Pacific International Livestock show in Portland in November, where they will judge stock in competition with other clubs of the Northwest. The Jersey Boosters' Calf club, under the leadership of H. Plank, won second, and will go to the state fair at Salem to represent Lane county this year. Members are Ellsworth Plank, who received the highest single score of all the contestants, Helen McCallister, and Barbara Dunn.

CLOVERDALE LOCAL

Owing to the fact that most of the members of the Cloverdale local are busy in the prune orchards and hop fields, there were not enough members present last Friday to conduct any business. A full meeting is expected at the next meeting which will be Sept. 26.

TRENT LOCAL

The Trent local of Farmers' Union will meet in the Pleasant Hill high school Wednesday night September 24, this meeting a secretary and a reporter are to be chosen and the social program for the winter discussed. It is hoped every one will turn out to this meeting.

MARKET AGENT DISCUSSES FARMERS' CO-OPERATIVES

By C. E. Spence, State Market Agent.

Scales Must Balance.

When the purchasing power of a country equals or exceeds its producing power then there is stability when the purchasing power is less than production power there is the reverse.

There are about forty million farmers in the United States. There is the biggest single industry of the nation. If they could sell their products at fair profits there would be general prosperity in all agricultural states. When they cannot, then there cannot be normal business. All lines of business are certain to feel the effects of agricultural depression.

Too Many Between the Ends.

The growers of food products must accept the prices offered; the consumers of the products must pay the prices asked. The individual farmer must sell at the price offered even when he knows that it is less than what the product cost him. The family consumer must pay the fixed retail price or go without. It doesn't matter whether or not he can afford the price.

Between the farm and the kitchen is a vast "spread" in prices. Far too many interests live on the between profits. There are far too many middle-handlers, far too many retailers. And the consumer must pay all these profits and expenses. He must pay the higher rents, the increasing taxes. They are all "passed on."

If the farmers received the same profits on their goods that are added on between him and the consumer, the prices would be so high to the consumer that he simply could not buy them. His living expenses would exceed his wage check or salary. So the goods must be bought at a very low first cost in order to carry the middle load. The farmers have been helpless against the low prices offered—they have had to take them. They are leaving the farms as the

MT. VERNON LOCAL

The dance, given by the Ladies Auxiliary, Sept. 13, was quite a success. The funds are being used to erect a new hall in Douglas Gardens, in the near future. Another dance is planned for Sept. 20 at Stephens hall, Springfield by the same club. Prizes will be awarded best dancers.

Mrs. L. B. Garvin and son, Paul, motored to North Bend last week-end, returning Monday morning.

Paul Garvin is the father of a son, born Sept. 11, 1924 at North Bend. Mrs. Garvin and infant doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Beck entertained Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Hall at dinner Sunday. Mr. Hall is a prosperous farmer of this vicinity, but residing in Eugene at present. Later in the day Mrs. Grace Monroe and Ethel, Ruth and Glenn joined the party, together with Mr. J. Peterson, Mr. T. Garvis and Mrs. Muriel Mahoney and daughters, Eleanor and Winifred. Mrs. Beck served ice cream and cake to the unexpected guests.

McKENZIE LOCAL

The McKenzie river local met in regular session at this hall in Walterville last Wednesday night. A large crowd was present. Coffee, sandwiches and cake were served.

Now that the busy season is on, we expect larger attendances at the meetings, quite an extensive program is being arranged for the fall and winter months.

result. No man will work hard to lose money for a great length of time. Creditors are taking over the farms. Over two million in one year have quit the losing game.

It's a situation that should vitally interest the business interests of Oregon. Ours is an agricultural state. Its cities cannot grow for long unless there is prosperous agriculture behind them. There should be a general movement to help the farmers organize their production. Their prosperity is of far more importance than that of the middle interests.

Why Co-Operation Moves Slowly.

Why co-operation moves so slowly in Oregon is because so many movements along this line have started and failed. The farmers have little hope and less enthusiasm. One after another have been organized, functioned weakly for short periods, and quit. Many farmers have lost money in them.

In nearly every failure the cause has been that of too little strength and too great expenses. A co-operative movement that does not control a big volume of the production has a poor chance to succeed, and an organization that confines itself simply to controlling production is little better. Both production control and market are necessary. The product must go to consumers at a price at which they will buy to their needs if there be a natural consumption, and the price to the grower must be that of a living profit if he is to prosper.

Co-operation must be along the lines of getting the grown product to the home with few handlings and middle profits. The unnecessary middle expenses must be divided between the grower and eater, in higher prices to the farmer and lower costs to the consumer. This kind of co-operation would weed out the army that makes money from the work of others but it would make permanency for agriculture and indirectly for all other business.

DORENA LOCAL

Clarence and Charlie Peterson attended the Lane Co. lodge at Eugene Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Van Schojack are expecting their son, Hugh, from eastern Oregon to arrive soon on a few weeks' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Redford and son, Edwin, were Eugene visitors from here Wednesday.

Mrs. Ruth England who has been visiting relatives in Salem the past two weeks returned to her home Wednesday evening.

The Land boys' killed a 300 pound bear near Dorena Wednesday evening. The bear had been camped in Mrs. Baker's orchard for some time, and had just ruined the trees, taking all of the fruit.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown, of Star, are moving into the Russel bungalow near the store, here.

Mrs. John Jennings and children of Cottage Grove visited Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jennings.

Mr. and Mrs. Emitt Kirk were Eugene visitors from here Monday.

STAGE SCRUB-BULL TRIAL

The trial of a scrub bull in which every part of the proceedings—except of course, the prisoner—was taken by boys' and girls' club members, recently occurred at a farm bureau meeting in Lincoln County, Ore. The event took place during a picnic and was the chief attraction of the day. The bull was found guilty. The 200 spectators rendered an additional verdict, unanimously that the work of the boys and girls was extremely creditable.

In reporting the event to the United States Department of Agriculture J. R. Beck, county agent of Lincoln County, Ore., described a scrub-bull exchange plan recently inaugurated. Under this plan the owners of purebred cattle list their surplus bull crop to scrub-bull owners at a flat price of \$30 each if taken by the time the bull calves are 6 weeks old. The purchaser must agree to butcher his scrub bulls as soon as the upbred calf is old enough for service.

Young America.

"Tom, go fetch the old horse."
"Why the old one, father?"
"Wear out the old ones first, that's my motto."

"Well, then, father, you fetch the horse."
"Epworth Messenger."
Doorkeeper of movie theater—So you want to see a boy inside, eh? who is it?

Boy (confidentially)—Me!—Life.
Mother—Didn't I tell you I would punish you if I found you fighting? What were you arguing about?

Johnny—Willie said you were 10 years older'n his mother.

Mother—Ten years! The idea.
Johnny—Don't worry, ma, I learned him to say you were 20 years older.—Life.

Little Bob (about to go out with mother)—Mama, you must take some money with you.

Mother—No, Bob, I'm not going to use any.

Little Bob—Yes, you must have money for chocolate; I might start crying on the street, you know.—Detroit News.

Teacher—So I've caught you chewing gum, have I?

Sammy—No, mum; I wasn't chewing. I was est keepin' it there instead of in my pocket. It's so sticky.—Chicago News.

SPECIAL PRICE on plate work. Dr. N. W. Emery, dentist, Sutton Bldg

OFFICERS OF LANE COUNTY FARMERS' UNION

- Ralph Laird, Creswell, President.
- Will Wheeler, Trent, Vice-President.
- H. L. Beck, Springfield, Sec-Treas.
- Mr. T. W. Morgan, Creswell, Doorkeeper.
- J. T. Hurley, Creswell, Conductor.
- W. A. Maby, Creswell, Chaplain.

HADLEYVILLE LOCAL

The local will hold its regular business meeting Thursday one hour earlier so they can meet with the Lorane local.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Seals and children motored to Triangle Lake Sunday.

Several families from the Lone Cedar district attended the group meeting at the Le Blue school house.

Mr. Rucker finished painting the inside of the Lone Cedar school Monday.

School opened at the Green door school Monday with Miss Nellie Leep as teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Runk and son attended the fair Tuesday.

No Statistics.

Rub: "How many fish did Dobbs catch?"
Dubb: "I haven't the least idea. Nine, he says."

"Queen' Bees Ruled Out."

No more king and queen business for Russia, even if they are only bees or ants. Importation of scientific books on bees and ants which mention "queens" and the part they play in these insect colonies, have been prohibited by the Bolshevik government.

Last But Not Least.

Teacher: "Tommy, can you give me three reasons why boys should not smoke cigarettes?"
Tommy: "Yes'm. They stunt his growth, they make his breath come short, an' his dad might catch him smokin' them."

25TH UNION FORMED AT VIDA SATURDAY

22 New Members Given Obligations by State Organizer Jack son Saturday Night; Social Evening Spent After Initiation.

The 25th local of the Lane county farmers' union was organized Saturday night at Vida with 22 new members. After the obligation was administered the evening was spent in dancing and other entertainment. H. C. Jackson, state organizer, conducted the installation of the new union.

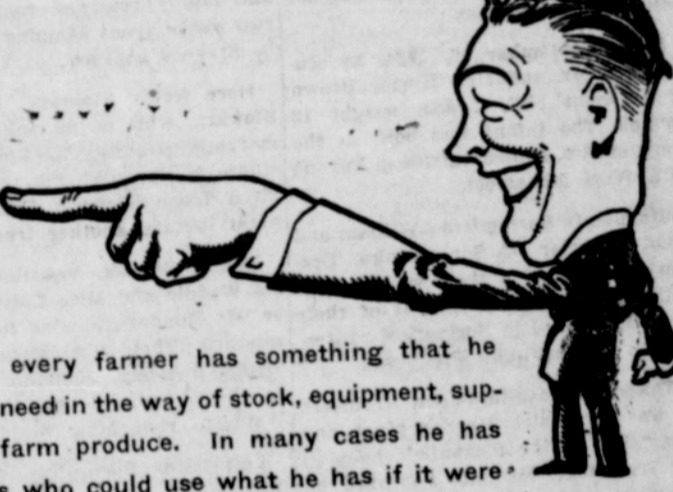
The next regular meeting of the Vida local will be Saturday night, September 27. Several new members will be added at that time, says Mr. Jackson who declares the baby local is a live-wire bunch. W. Brendel was elected president of the Vida local and Frank A. Weed, secretary.

Several new locals will likely be organized in Lane county this fall and winter, according to Mr. Jackson, who expects to take the field next month and devote his time carrying the message of the Farmers Union into unorganized territory.

With the new Vida local and the locals at Mt. Vernon, McKenzie, Trent Camas, Cloverdale, Coburg, Fir Butte, Jasper, the territory adjacent to Springfield is thoroughly organized and has a membership that extends to nearly every farm.

For Sale or

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Nearly every farmer has something that he does not need in the way of stock, equipment, supplies or farm produce. In many cases he has neighbors who could use what he has if it were known that it was for sale.

For this reason we will run a

Classified Ad and Swap Column

on the Farmers Union page each week.

Rates will be one cent per word for each insertion with a minimum of 25 cents for each ad.

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IT'S MORE THAN GOOD

It is positively delicious. Everyone who eats our ice cream says that. And why not? It is made from the purest materials in a sanitary factory in all flavors. Order some today in bulk or bricks and see for yourself. Certainly we deliver it.

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HALL'S For School Supplies

TABLETS, PENS, PENCILS, RULERS, ERASERS, PEN HOLDERS, INKS, PENCIL BOXES, SPELLING TABS, COMPOSITION AND NOTE BOOKS.

ALSO WE HAVE LEAD PENCILS WITH YOUR SCHOOL NAME ON THEM

Boy's shoes, stockings, shirts, overalls, hats, caps and Boy's two pants school suits