

ALTMAN'S JERSEYS WIN MANY PRIZES

Jersey cattle breeders of eastern Multnomah county are elated over the remarkable showing made last week at the Pacific International Livestock show in Portland by the B. C. Altman herd of the Ingleside farm at Pleasant Home, especially as this herd, with its strong individuals, was in competition with the premier herds of the whole Pacific Northwest.

About 350 herds of Jerseys were entered, gathered from the Pacific coast and northwestern states, including British Columbia. There is said to have been more from Oregon than any other coast state, with Washington a close second.

There is a state Jersey organization in Oregon and nearly every county has its Jersey club. B. C. Altman is president of the Multnomah county Jersey club, and Miss Nellie McKinley is the secretary. Both are residents of eastern Multnomah. Mr. Altman, who is recognized as one of the most successful Jersey breeders in the state, was the only exhibitor from this county. About two years ago, at dispersal sale, he disposed of one of the best herds in the state, retaining only a few choice animals, and started in to build up another premier herd.

He made eleven entries in the recent show. He also exhibited his fine stock at the Multnomah county fair but did not exhibit at the state fair. Mr. Altman intimates that if he had known he would have to compete with 350 entries of Jerseys at the recent livestock show he might not have ventured to enter his herd so recently depleted by sale. Mr. Altman, however, has reason to feel proud of his winnings and is receiving the congratulations of his fellow breeders from far and near. It must be remembered that at the great international livestock show, said to be the second in size in the world, there were the pick of herds built up by millionaires who are breeding from the best stock money can buy, possibly not so much from strictly business reasons but more as financiers of the finest blooded stock.

At the show the money prizes, while large, were not so much of an attraction with most of the exhibitors as the distinction to be gained. There were ten prizes in each class. The major prizes ranged from \$75 down and the average prizes from about \$25 down to \$5.

Mr. Altman's entries were as follows:

LeBelle's Oxford Ladd, a seven-year-old bull, took first in his class against ten others. This is Mr. Altman's herd sire.

Helen's Oxford of Fairacres, a two-year-old bull, was awarded fifth prize in a class of eleven.

La Creole's Oxford Millie, a four-year-old cow, winning second prize. There were 16 competing.

Heifer's Queen Maid, a 2-year-old. She was first in a class of 26.

Empress Dorothy, two-year-old, in the same class as the above, won fifth prize.

Heifer's Lady of Ingleside, in the junior yearling class, received second prize in a class with 30 competitors.

Empress Lass of Ingleside, senior heifer, received fourth in a class of forty-three.

In the Register of Merit class Mr. Altman entered La Creole's Oxford Millie, who won first, judged on confirmation only, in competition with 25 others. This is a class of cows, between the ages of two and five years, having made above 400 pounds of butterfat.

In the Exhibitors' Herd class Mr. Altman entered five animals—aged bull, cow four years, two-year old heifer, yearling heifer and heifer calf. There were nine other herds in competition. He received first prize which he considers one of his best winnings. In fact, this is one of the most coveted prizes, worth \$75 in money, but more valuable because of the distinction.

In the class the Get of One Sire, consisting of four animals, Mr. Altman carried off second prize, with 26 entries competing, in all 104 animals in the ring.

In the Produce of One Cow class, Mr. Altman entered two animals and received second prize against 26 entries.

It is doubtful if any other herd exhibited of the same number of animals can boast of as fine a record as that given above. Mr. Altman is breeding for the double purpose of quality and service. He does not believe in exploitation but lets the records speak for his work.

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THANKSGIVING

Because the President and Governor issue proclamations appointing a certain day of Thanksgiving each fall, we are apt to regard this holiday as peculiar to America only.

Thanksgiving Day is, however, only our modern version of a very ancient festival, one observed in almost every corner of the globe.

And we feast today on much the same foods our ancestors considered choice morsels centuries ago.

The Thanksgiving proclamation appears in several places in the Bible. In Leviticus there is the command, "When ye shall have gathered the fruit of the land, ye shall keep a feast unto the Lord."

The Greeks honored Ceres, the goddess of agriculture. Her symbols were poppies, ears of corn, a basket of fruit and a little pig. Except for the poppies the market basket of the ancient Greek goddess would be gladly accepted at any modern kitchen just before Thanksgiving.

Th turkey is America's distinctive contribution to the harvest home festival. Plymouth housekeepers must have roasted a score of the wild birds to satisfy the hungry hunters of the three-day feast in October, 1621.

It might also be mentioned that the pumpkin pie is distinctive to the American Thanksgiving.

It is related that on the first Thanksgiving day, after dinner, there was placed before Governor Bradford a round dish containing a sweet smelling pumpkin pie. Now the governor had never seen or tasted anything of the kind before and he was naturally a little slow about sampling the same. After being told who made it and what it was made of he tasted a little, then ate some more, then smacked his lips and passed some to others present. He declared that pumpkin pie should become a feature of future Thanksgiving days and the custom is still observed.

This Thanksgiving the American people have unnumbered blessings to bring cheer and gratitude to the hearts that are at all inclined to credit the Creator with exercising toward his children a beneficent providence. The world is recovering from a devastating war. Nations of people recognize and feel for one another as never before. There is probably less suffering in the world today than ever before, but what there is we know of and are moved by more than ever in the past. We are advancing educationally, morally and spiritually in the larger meaning of those ideas.

Locally we have much to remind us of enduring prosperity, health and good fortune.

Therefore, let us be thankful. While we feast for one day let us not forget that our real blessings extend throughout the year and are nation-wide as well as world-wide.

BOY SAVED FROM DEATH BY MOTHER'S PRAYER

Nothing short of interposition of Providence could have saved the life of Robey Lyon, who plunged into an old, forgotten well and drew himself to safety against almost insuperable difficulties. This is the firm belief of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Lyon, living near Gresham. Only the night before the mother had been impressed with the thought of impending danger for her boys and had committed them anew and with unusual confidence to God's care.

Early on last Saturday morning, before daylight had fully come, Robey Lyon, 14 years old, started to the field near the barn to get kale for stock feed. He noticed an unusual depression in the ground and deliberately jumped into it to find out what it was. He was immediately plunged into deep water and when he came to the surface called for help but was not heard by the members of the family. He clung to a small root and succeeded in pulling himself up the straight sides of the old well, a distance of about two and a half feet, to safety.

The presence of the well was a surprise to Mr. Lyon, as he did not know of its existence. It must have been there for 20 years or more, and recent owners of the farm have grown crops of various kinds, including raspberries and potatoes right over it. Only last spring Mr. Lyon plowed the ground with a heavy team and recently dug potatoes.

Apparently heavy timbers had been placed two feet or more below the present surface of the ground and these had been covered with earth. The water in the soil and the decay of years has loosened the timbers which had caved in and into this trap the boy jumped.

There have been a number of owners of the farm since 1886, when a Mr. Herron is said to have bought it from Dick Reynolds and made the first improvements. It is likely that he dug the well at that time and that some later owner has covered it up. Among the more recent owners were John Thomas, H. L. Ball, C. M. Oliphant, Gerald Miles and the present owner, Sherman Lyon.

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REV. GEBHARDT ADDRESSES GRADE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Rev. H. Gebhardt addressed the Gresham grade school today at their regular assembly hour. He said in part, we have a great deal to be thankful for, but one of the big things is our school. People have not always had such schools. A long time ago about their only means of acquiring knowledge was through their associations with others. Mr. Gebhardt said he used to think that grammar was the driest of all subjects and disliked it most of all but later found that it was the greatest of the subjects. If we want to be great like Washington or Lincoln we must know these verbs. We learn them because we need them. They are, "to have," "to do" and "to be." "To have" the ambition and determination then "to do" the necessary "things" required "to be" a Washington or a Lincoln.

Mr. Quicksall gave a short talk to the children chiding them on a few things that are hard for children to remember, and told them that there would be no school on Thursday or Friday of this week. A feeling of joy pervaded the room at this announcement. They were told to be on hand on Monday.

WOMEN COLLECTING FOR CHILDREN'S HOME

An intensive campaign is being carried on in every part of Oregon this week in a determined effort to obtain the \$125,000 fund for the children's farm home for the Oregon W. C. T. U. Every effort will be made to obtain the desired quotas in every county during the present week, according to John E. Wheeler, state chairman of the campaign drive committee.

Hood River county is the first in the state to report its completed quota. With Leslie Butler, prominent Hood River banker as its chairman, the county committee perfected its organization before the opening day of the drive and the full quota had been procured on the opening day. Not content with the mere quota, the field workers labored throughout the week with the result that many communities in Hood River county doubled their quotas.

The \$125,000 is being sought for the establishment of a model farm home for orphan and dependent children. The movement is being mothered by the Oregon W. C. T. U., and is being supported by child welfare workers and state officials throughout Oregon. Governor Olcott and others have declared it to be one of the most worthy enterprises undertaken in behalf of children in this state for many years.

The Bank of Gresham pays 5 per cent interest on time deposits.—Adv.



FREE METHODISTS WILL HOLD S. S. CONVENTION

A Sunday school convention of the Oregon Conference of the Free Methodist church will be held at Alberta church in Portland, beginning on Friday, December 26 and continuing over Sunday. This will be under the direction of Rev. J. B. Lutz of Chicago, General Conference Sunday school evangelist, an authority on Sunday school matters.

The convention will be called to order at 2:30 and after a brief devotional service and an address of welcome by Martha J. Burns, Rev. Mr. Lutz will give the address of the afternoon. He will speak again in the evening at 8 o'clock following the young peoples' meeting.

The opening sessions of both Saturday and Sunday will be a sunrise prayer meeting at 6 o'clock. On Saturday morning at 10:15 Rev. B. F. Smalley will speak on "How to Build up a Sunday School." At 2:45 an address will be given by District Elder Kletback on "The Importance and Necessity of the Sunday School." He will be followed by District Elder J. A. Hopper on "The Bible in the Sunday School." "The Sunday School Standard" will be discussed in the evening at 7:45 o'clock by Rev. Mr. Lutz.

On Sunday morning the Sunday school session will be conducted at 10 o'clock by Vera S. Eby, superintendent of the Alberta Sunday school. This will be followed at 11 o'clock by a sermon by the pastor of the church, Rev. F. L. Burns. Short addresses on various phases of Sunday school work will be given in the afternoon, commencing at 2:30 by Rev. Mr. Lutz, Rev. S. G. Roper, Rev. E. D. Blackman and Rev. O. N. Blair. The closing address of the convention will be given at 8 o'clock by Rev. Mr. Lutz.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH PLANNING NEW THINGS

Rev. J. B. Yates, recently appointed pastor of the Free Methodist church and his efficient wife are taking up the work with enthusiasm. Believing that the church is a divine institution and that the Sunday school is the future church, they are working to build up the Sunday school. The result is the quickening of life in all the work, and attendance has greatly increased. Besides the usual announcements of Sunday school and preaching on Sunday morning, the pastor announces the beginning next Sunday evening at 7:30 of evening preaching services. The mid-week prayer meeting is held at 7:30 on Wednesday evenings.

PIE SOCIAL.

A public pie social and free dance and drill by Team of Anchor Council will be given by Security Benefit association, Gresham Council, Saturday evening, December 4, in Metzger's hall.

All ladies are requested to bring pies which will be sold to highest bidder. Everybody welcome. Come. BERT CLINE, Sec'y.

Orient Grange Bazaar.
Multnomah grange No. 71 will hold a bazaar in the Orient hall, Saturday evening, December 11. A short program will be given and refreshments served following the sale.

TOWLE RECOUNTS HIS OBSERVATIONS

Gresham, Oregon, Nov. 22, 1920.—Editor Outlook:—Thinking your readers would be interested in a report of our trip will say Mrs. Towle and I left Gresham on the 29th of September and arrived home on the 19th instant.

We were east as far as Minneapolis, Minnesota, travelling over the S. P. & S road to Spokane, Washington, then over the G. N. to Minneapolis. The Soo line to Winnipeg the C. P. R. to Vancouver, by steamer to Seattle, the N. P. to Portland and traveling some 4000 miles in all. There is no hardship in travelling now and the contrast is very striking between the modern method of crossing the plains and the ox team method of the '50s, both in speed and comfort, but the cost may be in proportion to the service and speed. Travelling is very expensive since September 1st. To quote, per mile 3.6 cents, sleeper berth \$4.95, meals on train from \$1.50 up, principally up in price with portions smaller. Hotel rooms with bath for two persons from \$4.50 up, and you are in luck to get reservations.

The general condition among the farmers we found fair to good as to crops, with variations. In some districts the crops were very good, in others, owing to lack of rain, very poor and some places, in Montana, South Dakota and Alberta, a complete failure. The worst feature is the slump in farm product values. To quote: wheat is down to \$1.60, oats 38 cents, barley 50 cents, fat hogs 10 cents, cattle five cents, fat sheep four cents, potatoes 60 cents, horses, no market.

This condition is proving very embarrassing to the farmers as the cost of production was the highest of any year since the war started in 1914. It seems strange that while we are the richest nation on earth our prices for farm products are the lowest. Even Canadian prices rule higher, owing to the rate of exchange and all European countries will buy in this same cause, viz, discount on exchange.

If it was possible to accept English exchange at par our values would advance 40 per cent. We also noted by the placards in the windows of the stores the intense desire expressed by the merchants to unload their stocks of merchandise. We noticed some sweeping reductions at a Winnipeg store. Silk stockings had spreads, marked down from \$1.95 to \$1.45. Fur scarfs from \$145 down to \$95, etc. So you can readily see that prices were up and they are coming down.

Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, as you may know, voted recently but British Columbia went wet by 10,000 votes. In an interview with the state secretary of the W. C. T. U. for British Columbia, she said they were as much surprised at the result as some of us democrats were at Senator Harding's election but she said they had not given up the fight and would win later. She said the question was not properly stated on the ballot as it read for or against government control and many were misled, thinking if they voted no there would be no control and the blind pigs would run wild.

Now in closing this article I wish to briefly sum up the advantages of our favored Gresham locality compared with the great prairie districts of the middle west. Our soil is as rich and our seasons are more regular, making crops more sure. Our very temperate climate makes the production of such an endless variety of products possible. The cheering variety of scenery compared with the monotony of the varieties and never changing view of the prairies. Pure soft water vs. impure hard water; soft moist balmy air vs. harsh, dry, dusty, windy air. Fruits, flowers and vegetables in great variety, also sea foods, good roads, good schools, churches, etc. With old Portland in the front yard, what more could we want on earth? Please tell the folks they are living on the best part of God's green earth and oblige, Yours,
D. E. TOWLE.

DR. CLINE OPTIMISTIC THOUGH IN HOSPITAL

The Outlook has already mentioned the accident which overtook Dr. C. E. Cline when he was struck by an auto in the Sunnyside district, Portland, near his home. The reader may understand why Dr. Cline lives in the above district—because of his sunny disposition. He refers to his accident as a "bit of fun," although, according to the report, his collar bone was broken and he was badly shaken up.

The following note has been received from Dr. Cline:

Portland, Nov. 22. Editor Outlook:—You may have heard of the bit of fun I had the other day, being tossed by an auto by actual measurement a distance of 27 feet, landing on the pavement on my shoulder, and in the hospital, somewhat disfigured inside and out. But I have been greatly sustained, thinking of the late republican massacre which left hardly enough democrats for seed.
C. E. CLINE.

Thanksgiving Dance.
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