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COUNTIES RAISE CERTIFIED GRAIN

Considerable progress has been made in grain certification in 20 counties in the state this year according to a preliminary report sent out from the Agricultural College recently. The grains certified include wheat of 18 varieties, oats and barley.

The most popular kind of wheat certified this year proved to be Turkey Red as 9,540 1/2 acres in the state passed inspection. Hybrid 128 comes next with 6,510 acres certified this year. Others down the line are Jenken Club 4,920; Forty-fold, 840; Hard Federation, 830 1/2; Bluestem, 520 and many other kinds. A total of 23,993 1/2 acres of wheat were certified in this state this year.

Prohibition wheat is a new variety which is being recommended by the Agricultural College as a good producer for this part of Oregon. Only four acres of this variety were certified this year in the state.

Umatilla county leads the state in grain certification for the year. In that county there were 13,233 acres of wheat certified and 1,620 acres rejected. Morrow comes next with 5,130 acres of wheat passed and 4,785 acres rejected. In Wasco county there were 2,520 acres passed and 526 rejected. Sherman, 1,510 passed and 65 rejected.

Multnomah and Clackamas counties are as yet in the raising of certified grain. This year Multnomah had 35 acres of oats that passed inspection, and Clackamas had 28 acres of wheat, three acres of oats and 31 1/2 acres of barley that passed inspection.

Meeting at Cedar District.

A community meeting of the Troutdale, Cedar and Victory zones of the Multnomah County Farm Bureau will be held at Cedar schoolhouse on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, October 17. All farmers welcome.

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FARMERS MUTUAL HAS PROSPEROUS YEAR

\$13,000,000 in Force, Jan. 1, 1922.

The Farmers Mutual Fire Relief association made big gains in 1921 having written \$4,466,000 in risks, gained 1700 new members and paid \$28,000 in fire losses. January 1st the association adopted a uniform rate of 30c per hundred dollars insurance on all farm property. This low rate will enable every farmer to carry insurance. H. W. Snashall was re-elected president. Any one desiring to see him about insurance may call at the Gresham fair grounds, Phone 2101.

Pleasant Valley Fair Is Success

The Pleasant Valley community fair, which was held last Saturday, October 7, in the grange hall, proved a wonderful success. It was found there was only one thing lacking and that was sufficient space in which to place the exhibits. Two tables extending the entire length of the hall and one table placed across the end of the hall were soon filled to overflowing with displays of fruits, vegetables, grains, poultry, dairy products and many other things too numerous to mention. All of the available floor space beneath the tables was then utilized to take care of the overflow.

The fruit display was excellent and included many varieties of apples and pears; also plums, peaches, quince, prunes, strawberries, raspberries and blackberries. The canned and preserved fruit and vegetable display was also good.

The vegetable exhibit was the largest of all and contained many varieties of vegetables of fine quality.

The grain exhibit could hardly be considered a fair representation of the possibilities of the production of the cereals in this locality so far as variety is concerned. However, there were some excellent samples of wheat, oats, rye, vetch (peas) and corn. The corn display included several varieties of market, field and pop corn. Samples of ensilage corn measured from 10 to 13 feet in height and had well developed ears.

Several coops of poultry and rabbits were exhibited. A dog occupying a pen amused the children.

The girls' and boys' club work, both handiwork and products of the farm and garden, were excellent and received special commendation from the spectators.

The fancy work department made up of displays of handiwork by the ladies of the community, contained a large, varied and unsurpassed collection which showed much skill in the art of using the needle and crochet hook.

C. J. Hurd, of Eugene, delivered an address during the afternoon. His theme was the farmer and his problems. It is Mr. Hurd's belief that co-operation is the key to the solution of the farmer's troubles.

An illustrated lecture on birds was given by W. A. Elliott, state authority on the feathered tribes, which proved very interesting and instructive.

Miss Updyke, of Gilbert, rendered a violin solo and little Miss Muriel Bowen gave a recitation in her usual pleasing manner. Music for the occasion was furnished by the Pleasant Valley grange orchestra and elicited many expressions of commendation from those who heard it.

There was a good attendance especially during the evening when the hall was filled to capacity. On the whole Pleasant Valley's first community fair proved a grand success and it is hoped that it will become an annual event.

PLEASANT HOME

Bible school will convene at the Baptist church at 10 o'clock. B. Y. P. U. will meet at 7:30 in the evening. Following that will be a song service and a sermon by the pastor, the Rev. David Q. Barry, at 8:15. The theme will be, "A Midnight Experience and the Evident Results."

The program has been announced for the Pleasant Home District Sunday School association, which will meet at the Baptist church on Sunday, October 22. The Rev. A. J. Ware, president of the Clackamas Sunday School association, will be the morning speaker. Dr. George B. Pratt, superintendent of the Centenary-Wilbur Methodist Episcopal church of Portland and L. R. Martin, president of the Multnomah County Sunday School association, will give address in the afternoon. The entire program will emphasize adult work. The Alldridge Brothers quartet of Oregon City and Luther League choir of Powell Valley are expected to assist in the music. A basket dinner will be served at noon. This is the time for the election of officers.

The next meeting of the class in the study of nutrition will be held at the home of Mrs. M. Lennartz on October 20. Miss Margery Smith will give a surprise demonstration, the article made is said to be a dessert with a dash of spice and a tart flavor. The subject for the day will be meal planning. All women are urged to attend, especially those who have menu blanks.

FAIRVIEW

Services will be held as usual at Smith Memorial Presbyterian church. The Sunday school will meet at 10 and at 11 the pastor, the Rev. E. R. D. Hollensted, will preach on "The Feet of Life."

BORING

Services at the Boring Methodist church for next Sunday are as follows: Sunday school at 10, children's meeting at 11 and preaching service at 11:15. The Rev. E. R. Kanton is the pastor.

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NEW FARM BUREAU ORGANIZATION FORMED

A local organization of the County Farm Bureau was formed last Tuesday evening at a meeting held in Troutdale which comprises the districts of Cedar, Victory and Troutdale. The officers elected are W. C. Spence of Troutdale, president; E. A. Stafford, vice president; M. C. McGinnis, secretary.

The forming of this new organization is a preparatory step in a big marketing scheme of handling produce raised in this territory. It will be concerned with produce that is of a perishable nature. The plan as it is being worked out has not yet been made public and will not be until the plan has been worked out in detail.

On January 1st the National Farm Bureau will take over what has been known as the North American Fruit Exchange which handles fruits and all perishable vegetables. This selling agency is operating in 38 states but at the present time has no selling points west of Denver.

The County Farm Bureau organization is now working to organize the Powell Valley and Lusted districts in the same manner.

TROUTDALE

A community farm bureau was organized, officers elected and committees appointed on Tuesday evening. The following officers were chosen: John Strebin, president; George Wilson, vice president; M. B. McGinnis, secretary and treasurer. They will meet again Tuesday, October 17.

Miss Ethel I. Calkins, county club leader, gave a talk to the school children on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Fay Parsons is staying in Portland with an aunt for awhile.

Mother Hubbard is visiting at L. A. Harlow's this week.

Harold and Ralph Dye, of Rockwood, visited Norman and Charles Howard on Sunday.

The celery growers of Troutdale are shipping out a carload of celery this week.

Mrs. Willet and sons visited in The Dalles on Monday and Tuesday.

Conrad Weller and family moved to Kenton this week.

The new postmaster, J. S. Hudson, will take charge of the office Oct. 15. A niece of Mrs. L. A. Harlow, Mrs. Frank Kinsey, and husband of Anacortes, Washington, and a brother, E. S. Bullock, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wheeler of Portland were Sunday visitors at the Harlow home.

COTTRELL

Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Hardy are spending a couple of weeks at the home of Mrs. Hardy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Goger. They have just returned from a seven months' business trip in the east. They visited relatives and friends in Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Some of the most interesting events of their trip were a visit to the Hanna coal mine, which is one of the largest in Ohio, to the producing natural gas wells in Ohio, to McKinley's memorial in Canton, Ohio, the Carnegie steel mills in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and to the Newell Pottery works in West Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Hardy both expressed themselves as being happy to be back in Oregon.

W. E. Craswell is visiting his brother and family at Rosedale, Washington. Carl R. Goger, who is employed at Latourell, Oregon, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Goger.

Mrs. Edna Gillam, of Portland, spent a few days with her mother, Mrs. Jos. Manary.

POWELL VALLEY

Mrs. Augusta Palmblad has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Swan Magnuson and family for the past three weeks. Mrs. Palmblad has also enjoyed visiting old friends during her stay. She is now visiting at the home of another daughter, Mrs. Frank Gustafson and family and expects to remain for a couple of weeks.

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The next meeting of the Woman's club will be held on Thursday afternoon, October 26 at the home of Mrs. Robert Jonsrud.

The following Kelso people attended the meeting and program of the Cottrell Parent-Teacher association last Saturday evening: Mrs. Gilbert Jonsrud, George Jonsrud, the Henry Eri family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jonsrud and Miss Sibyl Lindell. The program as well as refreshments were greatly appreciated. Cottrell is to be congratulated on having so splendid an organization working in the interest of the school and the home.

Eunice and Dorothy Jonsrud, who came home for the week-end, brought with them their cousins, Alice Lindell and Lucile Diefenderfer, both students at Reed College.

Services were held last Sunday in the Norwegian Lutheran church by a Portland minister.

CEDAR AND VICTORY

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Staley of Los Angeles, California, are visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Staley.

The Carroll McCreary home is nearing completion.

Harry McCreary has commenced the digging of a basement for his new house.

A large representation of farmers is expected at the farm bureau meeting next Tuesday evening at the Cedar schoolhouse.

Farmer's Attention.

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