

PRIZES SCHOOL GARDEN CONTESTS ARE AWARDED BY COMMITTEE

Each Contestant Did Exceptionally Well, States Committee in Its Report, and It Proved Extremely Difficult to Choose Winners.

Condition of Soil When Turned Over to Children Very Poor—Next Year Will See More Gardens.

The committee on awards in the public school home garden contest has completed its work and prizes are now being distributed to the various winners. The children did exceptionally well. The committee has issued the following statement:

Statement of Committee
In awarding the prizes to the boys and girls who have entered the school garden contest, the committee on awards wishes to state that on the whole the work has been a success. Those who entered the contest worked under great difficulties due very largely to the poor physical condition of the soil which had had no previous cultivation or attention. It has been a very difficult task to choose the winners in a contest where so many have done excellent work. In judging the gardens, the committee was governed by the rules issued early in the season, and to make the awards in a thoroughly impartial manner, not a boy or girl in the contest was known to the committee nor the plots which they had in charge. The gardens were numbered and the prizes awarded to certain numbers. The names corresponding with the numbers were then secured.

Divided Into Classes
As a matter of convenience, the gardens on Jackson street were put in Class A, those on Holly street, on the Palm lot, were placed in Class B. However, consecutive numbers were given in numbering the gardens so that there would be no chance for duplication. The number of gardens on Jackson street totalled 23, while those on Holly street totalled 21. There were, therefore, 54 gardens in the contest. The prize money was divided in proportion to the number of gardens in each class, the Jackson street gardens receiving approximately three-fifths and the Holly street two-fifths of the cash prizes. In accordance with Mr. Palm's request, the cash prize money offered by him was distributed among the contestants having gardens on his lots. The large individual prizes given by the several business firms were distributed in the same way, that is to say, approximately two-fifths of them going to the Holly street gardens, and three-fifths to Jackson street gardens.

Manner of Judging
To make it clear as to how the committee judged the gardens, we may state that first of all the general effect was noted. Second, the attention given the garden throughout the season. Where certain crops matured and were sold or removed and the contestant replanted for a second or sometimes a third crop, credit was given for extensive gardening. At this time a few gardens which stand higher in number of points do not look quite so well as others that have received lower scores, simply because of a second or third crop which is just coming up. The idea, after all, has been to keep the gardens in a neat condition. Several gardens would have scored much higher if the contestants had removed matured crops of peas, radishes, lettuce, etc., and had replanted or reset to other crops. The committee desires that school garden contests develop thrift and enterprise, rather than the production of a single crop for "show." The boys and girls who sold or utilized their crops have been given more credit than those who left them there for effect.

All Got Something
Owing to the excellent work done by all, the committee has decided that each contestant shall receive something for his efforts. Some could not make the showing that others have made on account of the condition of the plots, some being rougher and harder to work. On the whole, the gardens have shown what even the poorest appearing soils will do. The committee wishes to state that it has been a pleasure to note the interest which has been taken in the school gardens, and they desire at this time to thank the public for their generous donations to the good cause. We hope that another year will see several times the number of gardens planted. Those who have secured prizes will call at Professor O'Gara's office for orders on the firms donating prizes, and for checks which may be cashed at any bank.

P. J. O'GARA, Chairman of Committee, H. HICKS.

J. E. WATT, C. I. HUTCHISON, ROBERT RUIH, MRS. H. C. BEHLING, Committee on Awards.

Following are the awards and winners in the contest:
Jackson Street Gardens, Class A
No. 1. Harold Wiley, first prize, \$50.00 bicycle, donated by Pacific Motor Supply Co., for best all around exhibit. Also first on radish.
No. 29. Gerald Wollam, electric Chafing Dish, donated by California-Oregon Power Co. Also first on Lettuce.

No. 19. Arthur Hess, Two books, value \$3.00, donated by Merrivold Shop. Also cash prize, \$4.00 in addition.
No. 33. Frank Wallace, Pair of Gloves, donated by The Wardrobe. Also cash prize of \$3.00 in addition.

No. 4. Myrtle Vincent, Two pounds candy, donated by Smoke House. Also cash prize of \$2.50 in addition.
No. 13. Ida Vincent; No. 14. Wilhelmina Young; No. 20. Merle Rhodes, first on beans; No. 22. Joseph Bateman, first on onions; No. 24. Samuel Bateman; No. 31. Darwin Wolgamot, cash prize of \$2.50 each.

No. 16. Viola Armstrong; No. 23. Lucretia Bateman, first on turnips; No. 30. Pelton Taylor; No. 32. Noel Erskine, cash prize of \$1.50 each.
No. 2. Hazel Wiley; No. 7. Myrtle Mark; No. 17. Marjorie Sheeters; No. 18. Grace Edith Luman; No. 19. Marie Walter, flower garden prize. Cash prize of \$1.00 each.

No. 5. Clark Rawlings, individual prize on beans. Cash prize of \$1.00.
No. 8. Jack Fredenberg, individual prize on Carrots. Cash prize of \$1.
Holly Street Gardens, Class B
No. 45. William James, Gas Stove, donated by Oregon Gas and Electric Co. Also first on Peas, Tomatoes, and cabbage.

No. 44. Vera E. Erne, Goods to the value of \$6.00, donated by the Golden Rule Store. Also cash prize of \$5.00 in addition.
No. 42. Angie Halley, Dress, value \$3.00, donated by M. M. Ahrens, also cash prize of \$2.00.

No. 39. Gilbert Blackburn, Goods at Daniels for Duds, value \$3.00. Also cash prize of \$2.00 in addition.
No. 40. Lee Halley; No. 54. Wynter Dossert; No. 49. (no name). Cash prize of \$3.00.

No. 43. C. Butcher; No. 37. Frederick Mears; No. 50. Stuart Elmer; No. 51. Russel Seaman; No. 53. Elmer Loomis; No. 35. Gladys Minkler. Cash prize of \$1.50.
No. 34. Mead French, individual prize on corn. Cash prize of \$1.00.
No. 41. (no name), individual prize on Lettuce. Cash prize of \$1.

DANNY O'BRIEN TO BE SEEN HERE

Danny O'Brien of Portland, Oregon's native son lightweight boxer is to appear in Medford at an early date in August.

Just who his opponent will be is not certain but it is rumored that Louis Rees, the Los Angeles lad will be secured to meet O'Brien.
O'Brien is the boy who a year ago boxed quite frequently around Portland, having two ten and one fifteen round draw with Bud Anderson of Vancouver. A great deal of controversy exists between Anderson and O'Brien around Portland, opinions being equally divided between the pair the following of each claiming victory for their man.
O'Brien is the only boxer who has ever held Anderson to a draw, they being so equally matched that they met three times but a draw verdict is the best they could get over one another on the three different occasions.

It is said that the Portland fans would rather see a bout between Bud Anderson and Danny O'Brien than see Ad Wolgast and Joe Rivers box for the championship of the world.

MEDFORD MAY GET LOWER INSURANCE RATES

Because the city of Medford has a paid fire department, paved streets, enabling quick time to a fire, and ample water supply, the Equitable Board of Underwriters, a state institution, has recommended reductions of the first insurance rates. The reductions run from 5 to 20 per cent over the present rates. In many cases no reduction is made, these being buildings within a stone throw of the fire station.

The board of underwriters will forward the recommendations to the insurance companies at once, all being governed by the board, and as soon as passed upon will become effective. Notice to this effect was received Thursday by local insurance agents.

OREGON-SOUTHERN GETS A NEW HEAD

Information has been given out at Roseburg that W. E. Pierce of Boise, Idaho, has accepted the presidency of the reorganized Oregon & Southern Railway company, with headquarters at Roseburg. This company, which proposes to build a line to the coast, was formerly known as the Oregon & Southern railway. About 30 miles of the line has been surveyed and the rights of way obtained. The company also plans to build an electric road through the Rogue River valley.

Mr. Pierce is at the head of the firm of W. E. Pierce & Co. His company built the Boise & Caldwell interurban lines of railway, some thirty or forty miles in length, and has also been a factor in other developments in that state.

The old company had J. Arnold Doyle as its president, but he failed to meet the necessary requirements and retired from the presidency. Now the movement is being reorganized by the formation of a new company incorporated under the laws of Washington.

H. M. Farren, a prominent member of the old company, who will be a vice president and member of the board of directors of the new company, is a large stockholder in the company, and a personal friend of Mr. Pierce. George Godfrey will be treasurer and W. H. Jeffrey secretary of the new company.

RAU RETIRES FROM COMPANY

W. F. Rau, associated with Emil Mohr in the management of the Hotel Medford and Hotel Moore in this city has disposed of his interest to Mr. Mohr. The consideration is not given.

Three years ago Messrs. Rau and Mohr organized the Rau-Mohr Hotel company. For the first two years they conducted the Hotel Moore and about a year ago took a lease on the new Medford Hotel, furnished it and conducted it since.

Mr. Rau with his family are camping at Colestin. He plans to enter business in some other field probably California. Mr. Mohr announces no changes in the present management of the Moore or Medford.

KING AND QUEEN FOR CARNIVAL DURING FAIR

A king and queen will reign during the carnival to be held during the Jackson county fair to be held Sept. 15-21, according to the carnival committee of the fair which met last night. The carnival will be a special feature of the fair, with over forty floats in line, lodges in uniform, and a general holiday atmosphere. After the street parade a grand ball will be held at the Natatorium, with the grand march led by the king and queen of the carnival.

The members of the committee are as follows:

- Chas. S. Lebo, chairman.
- Dr. E. H. French, outside towns.
- John Sheridan, street decorations and music.
- Bob Flynn, auto and rough riders.
- Mrs. W. G. Davidson, Greater Medford club, and queen of the carnival.
- Prof. U. S. Collins, lodges, schools and Boy Scouts.
- H. C. Keutner, grand ball.
- John H. Carlin, Merchants' Association.

One of the features of the parade will be the representation on floats of all the industries of the county, such as timber, granite, mining, irrigation, fruit packing, fruit displays, school work, and all made in Medford articles. Prizes for the best floats will be liberal and it is expected that the competition will be keen. All commercial clubs from the other towns in the county have been invited to enter floats and a hearty response is expected.

BIG BALL GAME IS SCHEDULED

August 4 will be a red letter day in the annals of baseball in Southern Oregon and Northern California. On that day all northern California will meet all southern Oregon on the local ball field and will fight for the championship of the State of Siskiyou.

Fifteen coaches have been ordered from the Southern Pacific by the northern California fans who will turn out en masse to witness the game. Reduced rates will be given from all points to Medford on that day.

In the local line up will be seen Baker and Weckler of Grants Pass besides the local stars. The team will be a strong one.

Kinney Williams formerly of Grants Pass and star infielder is playing first base for northern California. He has played with Weed throughout the season.

A \$500 purse is up on the game.

DEER SEASON TO OPEN THURSDAY

One week from today and for three months thereafter it will be lawful to kill a buck in Jackson county.

The buck deer season opens in this county August 1. It also opens in all other counties in the state, except Wallawa, Union, Baker, Umatilla, Grant, Malheur and Harney counties at the same time, but it is unlawful to kill anything but bucks and only five of these may be slain by any one person in the season.

With the opening of the deer season next Thursday it is expected that a large number of hunters will take to the hills in an effort to satisfy the craving for venison and the desire to be able to say they have killed a deer. It is stated that there are more deer in the hills of this county this season than for year in the past.

POLICE MATRON MAY BE NAMED IN THIS CITY

Medford needs a police matron. Such is the opinion of the local W. C. T. U. and some of the woman's clubs of the different churches and to that end they have taken active steps to place the matter before the council in the near future. A woman has been found whom the W. C. T. U. thinks is worthy to be a custodian of the law in the personage of Miss Harriet Selly of Portland, Ore., who has had five years experience in such work in Norfolk, Va. Her name will be presented to the mayor should their request be granted.

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