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THE EGG LAYING CONTEST.

The thirty-fifth week of the international egg laying contest being conducted at the Storrs Agricultural college in Connecticut shows the English White Leghorns—Barron's and Cam's—still in the lead, with scores of 730 and 600 eggs respectively. Mr. Cam's White Wyandottes hold third place, with 620 eggs; Foster's White Leghorns fourth, with 616 eggs, and Schmitz's Buff Leghorns fifth, with a score of 612 eggs. These are the only pens that have reached or passed the 600 mark. Following are the highest records attained by pens of the several breeds which have been entered in the contest: Barred Rocks, 496; White Plymouth Rocks, 526; White Wyandottes, 548; Buff Wyandottes, 596; S. C. R. I. Reds, 554; R. C. R. I. Reds, 527; Buff Orpingtons, 426; White Orpingtons, 484; Black Orpingtons, 348; Black Minorcas, 402; Blue Andalusians, 380; Anconas, 322; Buttercups, 100. There is little question that in this contest for practical results there are many pens of fowls making high records for eggs that would score low when it came to fine points and feathers and some pens that rate low in egg production that would rank relatively high according to usual poultry show standards.

A VALUABLE GENERAL PRINCIPLE.

The idea is all too common that the essential principles of dry farming, so called, have value only for the farmer who is in the dry farming or semiarid belt. This idea of frequent cultivation of the soil during dry weather to create a dust mulch so as to conserve the moisture present in the soil, which is the chief factor in dry farming, may on occasions of drought in sections where rainfall is usually sufficient be of the utmost value. During the present season there is little question that many fields of oats would have yielded from ten to fifteen bushels more per acre had the field been harrowed following the late May rains. In mid-afternoon before the grain reached ten inches in height. As it was the last heavy rain packed the soil and the sun baked it, with the result that evaporation of soil, air and moisture was interfered with and the growth of the grain greatly retarded. In the case of cultivated crops, like corn and potatoes, the same principle holds—that the dryer the weather the more frequent the cultivations should be for the purpose of maintaining the dust mulch.

STUNTS FOR THE BOYS.

The Playground Association of America has set some simple physical tests which the directors think ought to be met by some boys of given ages. Both town and country boys will be interested in these. For instance, it is expected of a boy twelve years old that he can chin four times, cover five feet nine inches in a standing broad jump and run sixty yards in eight and three-fifths seconds. Boys between this age and the high school are expected to chin six times, jump six feet six inches and run sixty yards in eight seconds, while boys of high school age should chin nine times, make a running high jump of four feet four inches and run 220 yards in twenty-eight seconds. It would be interesting to know whether town or country boys could the more easily meet these tests.

BEES SPREAD PEAR BLIGHT.

It is a matter of regret that, while bees perform a most useful function in the process of cross fertilization in different kinds of fruit trees, they are also one of the chief factors in a scattering of the fire or pear blight that for several years past has wrought such havoc in pear and apple orchards in different parts of the country. In one case where the blight had put in an appearance in a well known fruit growing section forty-five fruit spur infections were found in a single tree, and practically all of them were infections resulting from the visits of bees, whose legs and antennae had been smeared with the blight ooze from some holdover cases.

LESS FRUIT THIS YEAR.

According to the early summer crop report issued by the secretary of the Kansas Horticultural society, there will be considerably less fruit this year than last. The condition of the apple crop is 53 per cent as compared with 71 per cent last year at the corresponding time, peaches show 40 per cent as compared with 66 per cent a year ago, while the condition of peaches is 23 per cent as against 53 per cent a year ago. While it will not hold in all instances, this slump in the condition of the three fruits named and of some others will be true not only for Kansas, but for a number of other states to the north and east of the Atlantic coast.

\$1,000 NET PER ACRE.

A Missouri farmer, a member of the Ozark Fruit Growers' association, last year set out to see how large a crop of strawberries he could grow on one acre. This was put in the best of tith and given a generous application of bonement and well rotted manure. He set the most vigorous plants he could get and gave thorough cultivation as well as spraying for fungous and insect pests. When he checked up on this acre he found he had picked 800 crates, which brought him an average of \$1.75 per crate. This gave a gross return of \$1,400 per acre. Deducting expenses of \$400 leaves \$1,000 net as his return from this one acre.

J. E. Trigg

SEVERAL ASPIRE TO HIGH OFFICE

Judge H. L. Benson Will Be Candidate for Supreme Justice.

A news dispatch, under date of Oct. 23, of the Oregonian states: "Although the election will not be held for more than a year and the primary six months hence, there is considerable activity among candidates for places on the Supreme Court bench, the terms of four justices expiring next year. Thomas A. McEride, chief justice, of Oregon City; H. J. Bean, of Pendleton, and C. L. McNary, of this city, have announced that they will be candidates to succeed themselves. William M. Ramsey, of McMinnville, said today that he probably would be a candidate.

"H. L. Benson, of Klamath Falls, and E. G. Morrow, of Portland, also are candidates, while Lawrence T. Harris, of Eugene, and T. J. Cleeton, of Portland, are considering entering the field. That there will be many more candidates is the belief of Salem politicians and that the contest will be the most exciting in the history of the bench is predicted."

In commenting upon the proposed candidates, in regard to Judge Benson, the article further says:

"Judge Benson of Klamath Falls, is the present Circuit Judge of his district, having served for 15 years. He has been a resident of Oregon for more than 30 years, and from the beginning of his practice has stood at the top of the bar. He has for years had an ambition to become a Justice of the Supreme Court and his friends say if he can show the same strength throughout the state as he has shown in his own district there is no question as to his ambition being realized at the next election. He is well known all over the state. Judge Benson is a close student of the law, and his opinions show the highest quality of judicial acumen. He is a brother of the late Frank W. Benson, ex-Governor."

HIBERNIAN ORDER MAKING PROGRESS

From The Irish News

The regular business meeting of Division 1, Ancient Order of Hibernians, was held on Monday night, October 13, with a large number of members in attendance. Thomas C. Flynn, vice-president, presided. Two new members were initiated during the meeting—Jim McAuliffe and Ned O'Connor. The Secretary reported that most of the members who were expecting to spend a great part of the winter on the desert had paid up their dues in full until next June 30, and suggested that as many more as could conveniently do so, do likewise. It was also stated that on September 29, the Division had a total membership of 73, with a balance in the bank of \$404.98.

The social given by the Division on Monday night, October 27, was a success as usual. The program consisted of dancing, followed by lunch. Music for the occasion was furnished by Charles Gott violinist, who was accompanied on the piano by Misses Julia Gloster, Helen Brennan and Erma Sharps. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Duggan, Mrs. John Arzner, Mrs. D. O'Shea, Mrs. J. K. Barry, Mrs. D. Dewey, Mrs. F. Fetsch and Mrs. N. Barry; the Misses E. Arzner, H. Brennan, E. Sharps, M. O'Shea, B. Lofftus, E. McShane, L. O'Shea, V. Lofftus, M. Arzner, O. Thruston, H. Barry, L. Holder, M. Barry, G. Lofftus, G. Koontz, J. Gloster and H. Boydston; Messrs. J. D. O'Connor, B. Shanahan, M. O'Sullivan, J. O'Shea, D. T. Goddard, J. Murphy, E. Currey, D. Donovan, J. Walsh, P. Fitzgerald, D. P. Brennan, W. Arzner, N. C. White, W. Dutton, M. Finnucane, C. Mahoney, E. Fetsch, T. Burke, D. O'Shea, C. Arzner, P. Larkin, J. F. Burke and M. Erickson.

Fire Drills in Schools

In compliance with a bill passed by the last Legislature, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Cuhchill, is preparing a book of instructions on fire drills in public and private schools. The bill provides that it shall be the duty of the principal of every public or private school having an average daily attendance of 50 or more pupils to instruct and train the pupils by means of drills, so that they may, in a sudden emergency, be able to leave the school building in the shortest possible time and without confusion or panic. Provision is made that every teacher shall devote not less than 30 minutes each month, during which school is in session, instructing pupils in the drills, and that the State Superintendent shall prepare the book of instructions.

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