

Klamath To Show Agricultural Merits At the County Fair

(Continued from Page Nine) management of the grounds, upkeep, improvement and rental for stabling and pasture. Each has a man's job without going outside his own affairs, yet they cheerfully and willingly give many days each month to the management, and daily incidental details of the county's annual show.

During the past year, two crops have been tried on a large commercial scale in Klamath county—sugar beets and head lettuce. Through the tireless efforts of County Agent C. A. Henderson, protected or favored spots for experimental plantings were obtained, and the necessary care and attention promised to insure the cultural advancement of a trial for both of these crops during 1924. The Sacramento Valley Sugar company of Hamilton City, Calif., has contracted for practically all the sugar beets grown in the Klamath basin, on upper Klamath lake, Bonanza district and Langell valley. They show their good faith in the future of this crop by offering a \$25 cash prize to the grower of five or more acres, raising the finest beets. Klamath Ice & Storage company, through the proprietor, A. M. Collier, is offering \$15 in cash for the best three heads of lettuce to be judged from a commercial standpoint.

The most heavily burdened display will be that of potatoes—the famous Klamath Netted Gems. Last year proved beyond a doubt that the seed value of potatoes grown in this section was highly superior to many potato-producing territories, and demand and market were both brisk. Henry Semon, president of the Klamath Potato Growers' association, conducts a large diversified farm on the road to Merrill, but he has time to dash into town occasionally with a load of potatoes, and recently every trip has proved profitable in securing some substantial award for the potato division. Through his individual efforts, a first prize of an Iron Age potato planter, selling for \$145, was secured from J. W. Kerns Implement company, the American National bank coming in with a second cash prize of \$25, and J. S. Mills & Son with a third prize of \$20. Wood, Curtis company offers \$25 cash for the commercial exhibitor of sack lots, showing the greatest number of entries. In addition to the regular grouping of 15-lb. exhibits of various varieties, which will be shown in a booth to be devoted en-

tirely to potatoes this year, the commercial growers of the netted gems will show sack lots from fields of two or more acres. At the completion of the fair, the best of this exhibit will be retained for the Klamath county booth, which County Agent Henderson will have at the state fair, but the balance will be auctioned, and the proceeds revert to a revolving fund for future awards in this division.

Last year the sheaves of grain and alfalfa were one of the most attractive backgrounds in the farm crops department, under the supervision of Walter Zetman. This year's crops are even more bountiful, and Martin Brothers Milling company has stimulated the exhibit of seed grains by offering \$40 in three cash prizes for the best sacks of cleanest and purest marquis, Burbank or bluestem wheat.

For the newly-organized baby beef classes, the First National bank offers \$25. For the best Tillamook calf owned in Klamath county and brought into the county either during 1924 or 1925, the American National bank offers another \$25.

One and all, the business men as individuals, and collectively as firms, have stood behind the Klamath county fair. For the first time in the history of the county, the generous contributions for advertisements from merchants of the city, paid for the printing and mailing of the premium lists, which have been sent to the majority of the farmers and throughout neighboring counties.

The fair board determined to give the people something wholesome and amusing, and have contributed a \$500 purse for harness racing, and another like amount for automobile racing, every afternoon of the fair. These amounts are in addition to the approximate total of \$2500 devoted to the running, relay and chariot races.

The concessions in many instances will be conducted by community charitable organizations. The cheap gambling device, kewpie doll, paddle wheel and catch-penny concessions are barred this year, and only those permitted access to the grounds, which can contribute something credible, substantial and clean to the comfort or entertainment of the throng.

County Club Leader Frank Sexton's office is a whirl of dainty needlework, luscious canned fruit, and colorful vegetables these days. The exhibits from the forty odd boys' and girls' clubs line the walls and occupy every available inch of space. Instead of the bread-making demonstration, which Mr. Sexton's cookery girls put on last year, there will be a canning demonstration team. The boys' and girls' prize

award lists show how interested the majority of individuals and firms are in these future farmers and housewives. The 3-K store offers a scholarship to O. A. C. summer school to the winner of the dairy calf division III; E. M. Hammond a pure-bred ewe lamb to the winner of the potato project; Underwood's pharmacy a scholarship to O. A. C. summer school for some cannery club girl; as does the Evening Herald for division II dairy calf work; Roy Nelson, a milking shorthorn, and Poland china hog raiser of Worden, offers a fall pig, either sex, for division I, dairy calf winner; William W. McNealy offers a special prize of \$5.00 for winner of the dairy herd record keeping; Moe's store an O. A. C. summer school scholarship for winner of cookery division I.

Last year fowl cholera necessitated the cancellation of all poultry entries, but this year, under the supervision of Drs. F. M. Trout of Malin, and J. R. Cooper of Fort Klamath, a splendid lot of fine birds will be shown. Although the contemplated poultry and pet stock pavilion will not be available in time for the fair, the north enclosed end of the grandstand will be equipped with new collapsible, sanitary exhibit cages, and the poultry and rabbits shown there. The rabbit division is one that promises some surprises. One does not hear much about rabbit raising, but Supt. A. R. Renner, an experienced rabbit breeder, whose fine bunnies have carried off many blues up and down the Pacific coast shows, assures us that the entries will show how many are quietly coining a little profit in their leisure hours in backyards, and helping supply the market and restaurant demand for this highly nutritious meat. During the fair the rabbit breeders of the county are planning to organize a breed association for the stabilizing of market prices, and the breeding for quicker and better maturity, both of blooded and utility stock.

The domestic art division, under the supervision of Mrs. J. Fred Goeller, the culinary, under Mrs. George L. Humphreys, and the always-attractive and dainty flower booth, under the charge of Mrs. Charles Martin, are enlarging their show spaces and perfecting arrangements for the more pleasing showing of their exhibits. The domestic art will have the southern end of the main exhibit pavilion this year, giving more adequate space than the two small booths heretofore allotted this always large and imposing exhibit. The flowers have a pretty kiosk in the northeast corner of the pavilion, insuring shade and fresh air. Shelving has been arranged for the more effective display of the many-colored blooms, and the back-

ground color scheme selected with an eye to throwing the displays into brighter relief.

Fruit has been particularly firm and handsome this year, and some splendid displays are expected, as well as those of vegetables. The contented, sleek appearance of the majority of the farmers, testify to a good cook, and the cakes and other dainties promised by many of the housewives, ought to send the spectators rushing to the nearest eating concession!

While Klamath will never be a commercial fruit-raising center, a number of berries and small fruits bear well here, and although the display of fresh fruits is never large, it steadily increases in quantity and quality each year. Some of the entries of melons and berries already received, have doubled all exhibits in that division for 1924.

Klamath offers opportunity to the home-seeker. There is cheap land, cheap water, and vast untenanted acres only waiting for intensified methods of farming to charge them into blossoming and attractive little ranches. There are hardships. There is unlimited hard work to be done. The law of compensation could not have it otherwise. But to those who dwell in its borders, Klamath spells content and many beauties of sunset, mountain cloud in storm, and multi-colored lights, a step to the water-fowl hunting grounds, or the haunt of the mule-tailed deer, a sense of "nearness to the sky." Many come and go away to seek more luxurious and easier living. Of these the red-blooded ones come back, not content with what they have found elsewhere.

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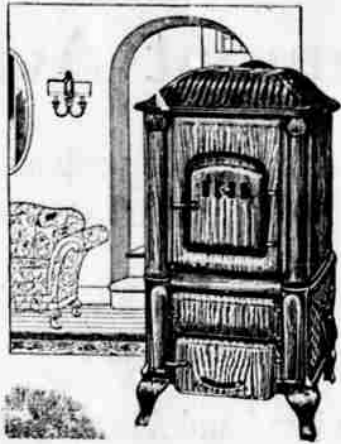
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