

Oregon State Fair Begins Saturday At Salem Grounds

STATE FAIRGROUNDS, SALEM—Oregon's state fair, eight days of family fun, entertainment and competition, opens in Salem Saturday for the 94th time, and it will be the icing on Oregon's Centennial year cake.

Record numbers of animals, hundreds of 4-H and Future Farmers of America youngsters and 350,000 people are expected to descend upon the 72-acre fairgrounds.

A night stage show starring Bob Crosby, daily horse racing and a combined horse show and rodeo all are expected to attract large crowds, but the emphasis is on the open class competition and 4-H and FFA contests where thousands of prizes will be awarded.

The floral show proved to be the most popular item in the 1958 fair, and Superintendent Hazel

Bartlett states that the show this year will surpass the offering of a year ago.

Flower Lectures Slated

Four separate shows will be held during the eight days, thus assuring that the show will be fresh during the entire fair. Lectures on flower arranging are added features.

Almost 900 head of cattle, a record number, will be judged Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, including Devons which are making their first appearance at a state fair.

At least 1,500 poultry, 537 pigs and 779 sheep and goats will be going after a long list of cash premiums, special awards and trophies.

Much of the 4-H and FFA judging will be completed by the time the fair opens Saturday, but cattle showmanship contests plus style revues and dollar dinner contests will keep the youngsters busy throughout the week.

Special Awards Planned

Both farmers and backyard gardeners will be competing in the huge land products show. Special interest there is centered on the awards for the best malting barley and for the largest sunflower and tallest corn stalk.

Art of both young and old Oregonians will be exhibited in the art salon. Colored slides, part of the international colored slide show, will be projected daily at 7 p.m. in the Little theater on the second floor of the main exhibit building.

The Centennial Farmstead, a project of the Oregon Grange, occupies a large plot of ground in the northwest portion of the grounds. It contains a two-room farmhouse, implement shed, well and rail fence, and Willamette valley families will "live" on the stead during fair hours.

Governor to Award Certificates

Another important feature for Oregon farm families will be the awarding of 44 Century Farm certificates by Gov. Mark Hatfield. The certificates go to persons living on a farm started at least a century ago.

Oregon housewives are competing for thousands of dollars of premiums plus electric appliances in the needlework and foods departments. Highlighting the competition is the selection of one woman as Queen of the Kitchen. Announcement of the winner is to be made at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday when she will receive an electric range as her prize.

The Bob Crosby show, with Lucille Norman, will be presented twice daily for the first four days of the fair and then once nightly the final four days. Appearing with Crosby and Miss Norman will be five other acts.

Rodeo-Horse Show Nightly

Show horses and hard riding cowboys provide the rodeo-horse show nightly at 8 p.m. with matinee performances the first three afternoons of the fair. Both harness and thoroughbred horses run every afternoon except Sunday on the half mile Lone Oak race track. Post time is 1 p.m. for the first race.

Two novel contests will provide a change of pace for fairgoers. A hog calling contest will be held Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 p.m., and children through the age of 14 will try to find 10 needles in a haystack on Thursday which is Kids' day.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Sylvia Palmer of Boise came Friday to accompany her sister, Mrs. Angle Cook to the Malheur County Pioneer picnic held Friday in Vale. Mrs. Cook went to Boise with her sister for a week end visit, returning home Sunday.

Miss Nancy Skeen spoke at the New Plymouth ward LDS church meeting Sunday evening, when presentation of the girls awards were made.

A house warming party was given last week for Mrs. H. E. Collins by 12 members of her study club. The Collins' new location is 614 N. 4th street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kingrey returned home Thursday after spending 10 days with their daughters, Mr. and Mrs. James Stewart and Donna and Mrs. Lucille Stewart in Tacoma. During their stay the Kingreys and their daughters toured the world famous Butchart Gardens in Victoria, B. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gahan and Mr. and Mrs. David Beers were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Malloy at a barbecue dinner Tuesday evening.

Overnight guests at the Frank Parr home Monday were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Orr and four daughters of Roseburg, Ore. Mrs. Orr is a niece of Mr. Parr.

VISITS JOURNAL OFFICE

Mrs. Duane Alters of Boise was a brief visitor at the Journal office Friday morning. She was on her way to attend the funeral service of Mrs. B. F. Talbot at New Plymouth. She brought Diane and Kathy to Nyssa to spend the day with friends. The girls remained overnight with their grandmother, Mrs. Ethel Alters, who returned them to Boise Saturday.

RETURN FROM TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. La Vern Berg and Gary returned home Saturday after visiting a week in Burley with Mrs. Berg's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Johansen in Rupert and with Mr. Berg's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Berg.

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Here are some winners of FFA and 4-H members at the 1959 Malheur County Fair held last week:

Walter Sather, age 15, FFA member, won first place with his Senior Holstein heifer, also Reserve Champion Holstein. Walt also won Champion Senior Showmanship in the Holstein show.

In his FFA project his swine took first and third place, a Champion Berkshire gilt. Walt also won Reserve Champion FFA Showmanship.

John H. Sather, age 12, 4-H member, had Champion Angus steer. Won first, second and third place in the Angus female class. Two-year-old Angus female was Reserve Champion female beef animal of the 4-H show. Reserve Champion female of all beef breeds. John also won the Champion Junior Showmanship in the beef show.

Beth Sather, age 14, 4-H member, won Grand Champion sheep showmanship. Had Grand Champion Hampshire female ewe; Hampshire yearling ram won second place in open class; second place Hampshire fat lamb; first place Hampshire yearling ewe; fifth place Cheviot fat lamb; fourth place Hampshire ewe lamb; first place Hampshire aged ewe; first place Hampshire yearling ewe; third place Hampshire yearling ewe.

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