Oregon Chickens Win In Egg-Laying Contest

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Oregon Building, P.P. I. E., Nov. 23. —It's "Oregon first" again, this time in the 12 months' international egg-laying contest involving 560 hens from four corners of the earth. The contest ended today, and as a matter of fact it is Oregon first, second and third—three pens of White Leghorns, Barred Plymouth Rocks and a hybrid of the two, entered by Prof. James Dryden, head of the poultry department at the Oregon Agricultural college, capturing all the places worth mentioning. The Oregon chickens were so far ahead the past three or four months that there really was never any doubt about th fineal result and the final score shows the Canadian pen, the closest competitor, about 20 eggs behind Oregon's lowest. To add to Oregon glory, a Barred Plymouth Rock developed from college stock and entered by F. M. Sherman, of Lebanon, and two White Leghorns among the college hens, proved to be the highest individual scorers. Apparently, the only reason Oregon did not win a greater victory lies in the fact that the Oregon college did not enter more hens.

This contest, the largest and longest at the Panama-Pacific International exposition, was conducted on the exposition grounds under the auspices of the University of California. The great feature was the contest between pens of 10 birds, and pens were entered from practically every state in the union, from Canada and from England. Among also-rans are two pens entered by that "blasted Britisher" Baron, who has been hitting the high spots at practically all of the American egg-laying contests of recent years. To have gotten the goat of this champion of champion breeders is no small honor, and to have brought to Oregon the grand prize, the cash, and a score of trophies offered at the greatest exposition of modern times is about all that might be expected even of college hens.

To those who have been following the poultry work of Prof. Dryden in recent years this "bringing home the bacon" is no surprise. Working at O. A. C. this "Luther Burbank of poultrydom" developed Lady Macduff, the hen that two years ago laid 303 eggs in 365 days, the world's champion record until very recently. While developing this distinguished egg-producer, Prof. Dryden breed up whole flocks laying more than 250 eggs per hen, and now has several laying about the 200 mark. He is one who has given his time to the development of egg-producers rather than to the production of feathers, and in speaking of the Oregon triumph in this contest said that the result is a striking demonstration of the effect of breeding. The hens in the three winning pens entered by O. A. C. were selected on th production records of their ancestors, complete records of each of these for five years back giving him the line-up.

This victory seems to be a vindication of college education, in the case of chickens—in this instance college education educated and won out, and Mr. Barron, the English breeder whose phenoms were swamped, thinks enough of Dryden's birds to have offered him two pens for one and $200 cash to boot.

When it comes down to the records made by any of the pens in competition or individually there is little to be said. The Oregon White Leghorns taking first place laid something more than 1,600 eggs, an average of but a little more than 160 eggs per hen. The same hens at the Oregon station probably would have produced around the 250 mark, but the conditions here were not conducivo to heavy egg production. All the chickens were up against exactly the same thing, so no one has any special regrets.

The chicken yards have been visited by about a half million people, and millions of others over the country have watched the monthly reports. The Oregon winning will necessarily be heralded the world over, and altogether this contest, and the success of the Oregon hens will prove one of the greatest advertisements the state and the Oregon Agricultural college ever had. Also, Prof. Dryden, whose wizardry has been published in practically every paper in the United States and the great foreign poultry journals, will come in for a little more fame—a fact that will bring him more embarrassment than pleasure so modest and unassuming is this man whose work has been to indicate that he really knows more about chickens than the fellow who invented them.

Liked Our Apples.

Monday is always the slowest day of the week at the exposition, the smallest crowd coming then, but Oregon Apple day, on Monday, November 15, will not go down in the history of the Oregon building as anything slow. At 2 o'clock, the hour set for giving away big red Spitzenburgs to all comers, the building was crowded and the waiting lines extended into the street. This sort of a jamb continued for an hour, and until 5 o'clock there was a constant stream of visitors all anxious for a sample of Oregon fruit. The apples were on display in a great pyramid of boxes, a box being taken down just as it was needed, and from great baskets the apples were handed out as the line of visitors passed by. The impression created was a decidedly happy one, and many were the expressions of pleasure as the teeth sank into the luscious Oregon apples. But one apple was given to a person and more than 6,000 were given away. Besides these, two hundred cartons of beautiful fruit were sent to the various state buildings, to the foreign nations, to exposition officialdom and to various places in the city. Thus Oregon was called to the attention of the high and mighty and to the average exposition visitor in a most pleasant way, and praise of Oregon hospitality in so many mouths must result in good. Unlike other states and foreign nations, Oregon heretofore had confined herself to hospitality of which gifts were an insignificant part, but on Apple day hospitality went the limit, and pleased were the participants.

Our Goat Got 'Em.

"Dodo," F. A. Pierce's long haired Angora goat from Douglas county, attracted more attention and really got more space in the city press than did Teddy Roosevelt of W. J. Bryan, when they visited the fair. Dodo had fleece 41 1-2 inches long, and when introduced in goat show circles all other celebrities took seats far to the rear while the Oregon product was given an exalted position on a pedestal in the front row. Dodo was photographed and re-photographed and the papers here hailed him as the savior of those in need of "mo' hair." White hair is fashionable in San Francisco, and long switches are the rage with the ultra-ultra. It was figured out that Dodo's fleece would make at least 180 switches of unusual length. At that rate the fleece was figured as worth about $20 a pound and when it was cut there was something more than 30 pounds of it. Mr. Pierce is said to have been paid more than $600 for the fleece and the many stories revolving around that Douglas county goat made him one of the best advertising features in connection with Oregon activities at the fair. As a freak, Dodo was a hummer, but William Riddell & Sons of Polk county, won all the championships for Angora goats.

Grocery Store Changes Ownership At Dallas

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Dallas, Or., Nov. 23.—E. N. Tankersly, of Corvallis, has purchased the grocery stock of Simonton & Scott, on Court street and took charge of the sale Saturday. Mr. Tankersly arrived in Oregon from Texas about a year ago and settled in Corvallis where he engaged in the grocery business. Having disposed of his store in that city and in looking for a new location he decided to try Dalas and at once began negotiations for the purchase of the above named firm.

Dallas Women Appointed.

Mrs. Charles Castner, of Hood River, president of the state federation of Woman's clubs, has appointed Mrs. Riley Craven, of this city, chairman of the civics section for a term of one year. Mrs. Craven is a past president of the Dallas Woman's club, and one of its most wilful supporters.

Elks Club to Help the Poor.

At a meeting of the Elks club of this city in the council chamber Friday evening it was decided to assess the members of the organization the sum of one dollar to be turned over to the Christmas committee of the Knights of Pythias lodge to be used in spreading good cheer to the needy of the city during the coming holidays.

Stockmen's Clubs to Meet Friday.

A meeting of the Polk County Jersey Cattle club and the Polk County Cow Treating association will be held at the farm of J. B. Stump & Sons near Monmouth on Friday, November 26th. President Frank Loughary, of Monmouth was in Dallas lest week and announced that prominent speakers had been engaged for the occasion and that in all probability stereoptican views and lectures will be had also. The meeting is called for 10:30 and the members are requested to bring their wives and well filled lunch baskets.

California Possesses Million Dollar Pear Tree

Sacramento, Cal., Nov. 23.—Announcement was made by the state horticultural commission today of the discovery of a "million dollar" pear tree in El Dorado county.

The tree is of such great value, because it is the only late bartlett pear tree in existance and because the budding and grafting processes will make it possible to start other trees of this kind in all orchards of California.

As it is now the bartlett pear season winds up about September first. The propagation of the new tree means that Californians will before lang have bartlett pears, most luscious of all, in mid-winter, direct from the orchard.

The tree was grown by J. E. Hassler, horticultural commissioner of El Dorado county and in reporting his success to the state commissioner he sent along a number of fine pears that his "million dollar" tree had produced.

Vessels Are Lost In Alaskan Waters

Juneau, Alaska, Nov. 23.—Terrific storms sweeping the Alaska coast have been responsible for the loss within the past week of at least four small vessels, owned in Seattle. They were the fishing schooner Mars, burned and wrecked off Five Finger island; the tender Clare, pounded to pieces on Wedge island; the Grubstake, smashed on Cala reef, and the Edith G., driven onto the beach in Lynn canal.

Fishers in Danger.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 23.—Two Seattle fishing schooners, the Tyee and Progress, are reported in very serious trouble on the Alaska halibut fishing banks. The Tyee has sprung a leak and the Progress ripped open her bottom running ashore in Icy strait. Other fishing craft are suffering from the heavy weather.

YOUNG OLD COUPLE

Albany, Ore., Nov. 23.—"This is the life," quoth George Brown, aged 76, as he beamed on his coy bride, aged 73, today. They were married last night. The bride was formerly Mrs. Ellen Stockdale.

Identity of Dead Man Still Unknown

Vancouver, Wash., Nov. 23. — The identity of the man shot and killed in a duel last night with Deputy Sheriff George Johnson was still unknown today. The man had what the authorities believe to be a safe cracker's kit, including explosives, in his possession.

Three men reported to the sheriff's office last night that they had been held up near the Armsby packing plant.

Deputies Johnson and Blair hurried to the scene.

While searching around the packing plant building Johnson saw a man sitting on the steps. He ordered him to get up. Instead the man fired twice with a revolver. Johnson returned the fire, wounding the man so seriously that he died an hour later.

East Oregonian: At the meeting of the Round-Up board last evening the last of the bills for the 1915 show were paid and the books show that the receipts from the show were sufficient to defray the total expenses of the show and to take up the indebtedness left by the 1914 show.

Suffered Twenty-One Years Finally Found Relief

Having suffered for twenty-one years with a pain in my side, I finally have found relief in Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. Injections of morphine were my only relief for short periods of time. I became so sick that I had to undergo a surgical operation in New Orleans, which benefitted me for two years. When the same pain came back one day I was so sick that I gave up hopes of living. A friend advised me to try your Swamp-Root and I at once commenced using it. The first bottle did me so much good that I purchased two more bottles. I am now on my second bottle and am feeling like a new woman. I passed a gravel stone as large as a big red bean and several small ones. I have not had the least feeling of pain since taking your Swamp-Root and I feel it my duty to recommend this great medicine to all suffering humanity. Gratefully yours,

MRS. JOSEPH CONSTANCE,

Rapides Par. Echo, La.

Personally appeared before me, this 15th day of July, 1911, Mrs. Joseph Constance, who subscribed the above statement and made oath that the same is true in substance and is fact.

WM. MORROW, Notary Public.

Letter to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Prove What Swamp-Root Will Do For You.

Send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample size bottle. It will convince anyone. You will also receive a booklet of valuable information, telling about the kidneys and bladder. When writing, be sure and mention the Salem Daily Capital Journal. Regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles for sale at all drug stores.

Mrs. Ortelle South left yesterday morning for Pittsburg, Pa.

How French People Cure Stomach Trouble

A household remedy of the French peasantry, consisting of pure vegetable oil, and said to possess wonderful merit in the treatment of stomach, liver and intestinal troubles, has been introduced in this country by George H. Mayr, who for twenty years has been one of the leading down-town druggists of Chicago and who himself was cured by its use. So quick and effective is its action that a single dose is usually enough to bring pronounced relief in the most stubborn cases, and many people who have tried it declare they never heard of anything to produce such remarkable results in so short a time. It is known as Mayr's Wonderful Remedy and can now be had at all leading drug stores. It is sold with the positive understanding that your money will be refunded without question or quibble if ONE bottle fails to give you absolute satisfaction.