

BEAUTIFUL BIRDS WIN BLUE RIBBON

Poultry Show Proves to Be Great Success

Prizes Awarded to Best Fowls in Several Classes

Mrs. Sly's Magnificent White Plymouth Rock, Albert E. Carries Away Highest Honors in His Class

The second day of the big poultry show closed last night with several dozen happy exhibitors whose birds had proved their worth by taking one or more ribbons. Partial awards were made last night, and till the show closed the owners stood proudly around their pens, telling how and why they did it. Among the awards made up to last night were the ribbons on the Wyandottes, the Leghorns and the Plymouth Rocks.

The poultry show now in session at the Panorama rink may, like every other poultry show, be divided into as many parts as there are days of exhibition. The first day's preparation, when every one is hustling to get the exhibits in place; the second day, anticipation, when the fanciers are casting longing eyes at the ribbons and cups which they know their birds will carry off; the third day, when prizes are awarded, realization; and the fourth day, meditation, when the fight is over and the smoke cleared away, and they wonder how their birds failed to take all the ribbons.

It was a matter of particular congratulation for the management that the great amount of hammering and hustling and hurrying to get belated exhibits in their places usual to first nights was not a feature of last night's opening. In spite of enthusiasm the poultry fancier's enthusiasm wanes, or at least suffers a relapse when they have to come into half-finished quarters; but such was not the case Monday night. Several exhibits which were necessarily delayed were sidetracked till yesterday morning, that

SOME PRIZE WINNERS AT THE BIG SHOW



the crowds who thronged the spacious aisles might not be annoyed by having to dodge hustling workmen.

Show the Best Ever

The show which opened Monday night is by far the largest and best ever seen in the state. In number of entries, in size of classes, in variety of species, in number of rarities and in prizes and trophies offered the Los Angeles County Poultry association's show takes precedence over any and everything ever seen in these parts. Arthur Letts, who is reputed to know a great deal about poultry lore, declared Monday afternoon that it was by far the best thing that had ever been held in California. Mr. Owens had the same to say.

As for the show room, the officers

declare that it is the best place for an exhibition west of Madison Square garden. Around the great amphitheater the coops and pens are arranged, hundreds of them being placed there. On the floor where the skaters were wont to seek to retain their equilibrium on the elusive rollers, long rows of feathered beauties hold full sway. Large, wide aisles furnish easy access to every pen-aisles wide enough for the visitors to walk four abreast, if they so desire.

In value the birds range all the way from a few dollars apiece to well nigh a thousand. For four of the birds exhibited at the show the owner is said to have paid \$3000; and there are many others whose value is little less.

Among the chicken classes by far the largest exhibits are the Plymouth

Rocks. The winners in this class are the White Rocks; and among their number none are quite the equals of the Oakhurst Poultry farm birds, exhibited by Mrs. Amelia Sly. These birds include the blue ribbon cock, Albert E., and the blue ribbon pullet. All the awards have not yet been made and it is possible that before the show is over Mrs. Sly will have added several more ribbons to her collection.

Of this exhibit of White Rocks there is an interesting story told. Less than a year ago a woman on whom the poultry fever had taken a firm hold came to her worthy spouse and outlined a plan whereby she was to buy half a dozen hens at \$5 each and a cock for \$15. With eyes bulging from his head in astonishment the surprised husband stated in terms at once

forceful and plain that he would never even consider paying more than \$5 for the best cock that ever disturbed the neighbors at early morn.

He's the Champion White Rock

But love will find a way. A load of feed was sent to the home, and with it half a dozen hens and a cock. When the bill came in it almost induced heart failure in the unfortunate man, who could see nothing but ruin ahead if chicken feed cost so much. The cock, by the way, was billed at \$5, and the feed bill raised to make up the other \$10 he should have cost.

A short time before the show that same man paid—well, something over a hundred—for a cock which yesterday won the blue ribbon in his class; and not only was the bird a winner, but the judge told his proud owner, Mrs. Amelia Sly, that the bird was far in advance of any of his competitors. In fact, he stated that the big White Rock was in a class by himself, and by far the finest bird he had ever seen anywhere in the country.

After Albert E.—for such he is called—had been adorned he looked as if he could thrash the big ostrich with one leg tied behind him; and his owner believes the same.

All the awards in this class had not yet been announced, but in addition to taking the first prize for cock Mrs. Sly also captured the blue ribbon for a pullet, which she has named Florence B.

White Rocks Are Valuable

Among the other White Rocks entered are many with histories as long as the strings of ribbons they have taken. Among the 53 birds entered by William M. Humphries, president of the association, is a hen called Queen Bee which has taken seven blue ribbons. In the same pen with her is a bird which Mr. Humphries considers Queen Bee's superior. Queen Bee's daughter, occupying a pen apart from the grand dame, is following in the footsteps of her mother, having begun her career already with a string of three first prizes during her year as a pullet.

Another bird there is whose glory is of the reflected variety. This sprightly cock owes his claims to celebrity to the fact that his brother sold for \$800.

Arthur Little, the owner of Queen Bee's daughter, has another bird entered which won the blue at the Cincinnati poultry show. In the Rock class the largest exhibit in point of numbers is the Barred Plymouth Rocks. In all 280 of these handsome birds are on exhibition. The largest entire made by one person is that of Charles E. Smith of Gardena. Mr. Smith has devoted his entire ranch to Barred Rocks, till now his flock numbers over 300. Eighty-three of these were washed and combed and brought to the show where their owner captured fourteen ribbons, among them the blue for pen, pullet and hen. In addition to these he took the Barred Rock cup. The birds are bred from the Arrowhead strain, a strain from which all the winners on the coast in past years have sprung.

L. D. Hadley, another large exhibitor of Barred Rocks, has entered his cock which took first prize at last year's show.

Among the Wyandottes the newest breed is the Columbian, the Silver-Penciled Wyandottes having preceded them in existence. Of the latter breed several fine pens are owned by B. C. Holmes of Montebello. Mr. Holmes' birds were entered at the Chutes park show, and four birds in one pen won as many prizes. He received first prize on the pen, first prize on the cock and first and second on the hens.

Mrs. C. D. Hubbard has also a large entry Silver Laced Wyandottes, possibly her most interesting exhibit is

several pens of Lakenvelders. These birds are imported from Germany and are the only ones in the show. They have white bodies, with black tail feathers and black heads and necks.

Entered for Special Prize

As one enters the door leading to the rink he sees several large rooey pens of pullets, ten to the pen. These birds have been entered for the special ten pullet prizes, the first of its kind ever attempted in California. Any breed can be entered, but the exhibitor must have ten pullets to the pen.

On the right side is a fine collection of turkeys, said to be the biggest of its kind ever seen in these parts. For one of the great bronze birds it is said that the owner refused \$100.

Further down the line several large pens are given over to the pheasants exhibited by Harry Rose. One fowl, a Lady Amherst, has the honor of being the prettiest bird in the show.

R. H. Norton has also entered many pheasants which he imported from Europe last summer.

Arthur Letts' peafowls, which are also to be seen near the entrance, took first in their class.

The pigeon exhibit, which W. E. Foster is superintending, is the largest ever seen in these parts, and it might be interesting to note that everything about the show is the largest and best California has ever seen. A. B. Woods, known throughout the United States as the "Runt King," has entered several of his prize winning birds, among them four English runts acknowledged to be the four largest pigeons in the world.

J. A. Cox of Riverside has also a fine collection of English runts and Maltese hens. W. H. Elliott has thirty Maltese hens on exhibition.

Rare Pigeons Entered

Mr. Foster is by far the largest pigeon exhibitor, and if past successes count for anything, will be one of the largest prize winners. Out of fifty-three birds entered at the Oakland show Mr. Foster carried away fifty-three prizes; and his prize birds are among the eighty-two birds he has entered. One of the rarities exhibited by this well known pigeon fancier are two pairs of yellow runts. These are a production of his birds, being the only ones of their kind in the world. Nine others at home and the four on exhibition are the only yellow runts to be had anywhere.

His pied pouters and rollers are also an interesting class. One little parlor roller which the owner calls Lorine can roll a longer distance than any other roller in the world. At the Oakland show, a fancier, after seeing the little bird perform, pulled five twenty-dollar bills from his pocket and slapped Mr. Foster's nose with them; but the money could not tempt him to part with his little wonder. Since then he has refused twice that amount. Mr. Foster has raised pigeons for the past twenty-five years and is an authority on breeds and the best methods of propagating new species.

Martin I. Smith has an extensive exhibition of pouter tumbler and dragons of different colors. D. S. Hefflinger of San Diego entered a large collection of fine fantails, while his fellow-townsmen, Harry Gotesburen, has many white duchess birds for show.

In all, about 450 of the little birds are on exhibition. Arthur Letts, whose Orpingtons are creating such a sensation, has entered a large number of pigeons in addition to his larger birds.

R. A. Rowan, one of the largest exhibitors, has entered among his 169 birds a large collection of white faced black Spanish fowls. His collection of bantams is also one of the best in the show.

Mr. Bailey entered several fine pens

of rose comb black Minorcas. His prize hen of last year is one of the entries as is the blue ribbon cock of his class. This cock is descended from Northrup's \$1000 bird which won first prize at the Madison Square garden show. Among the prizes announced last night were the first on his hen which he calls Black Bass, and second on another.

M. E. Dillingham took four blue ribbons on showing of Buff Wyandottes. In the class of the smaller birds, the bantams, the same high standard is exhibited as is found among the larger birds. There are 135 of these little fowls exhibited, said to be the best collection ever gathered together in California. Mrs. Halsey of Ontario park has exhibited four Golden Seabrights and two Silver Seabrights, all of them winners at Madison Square garden.

M. E. Dillingham's Golden Seabrights took ribbons at Chicago, and Mr. Thomas' Silver Seabrights won honor at the Illinois state fair.

Harry E. Rose has a fine entry of black breasted red game birds, all of whom are winners from away back.

R. A. Rowan's exhibit of white Polish bantams is the finest of the show. Several of the little birds are, however, of a warlike disposition. Last night two cocks, although in separate pens, decided to settle the question of who was the finest bird and so spare the judges the trouble. When they had finished the one had certainly proved his superiority, effectually putting his opponent out of the class, as the vanquished bird's head was streaming with blood. All these Polish birds are Madison Square winners.

Possibly the neatest bantams are the Red Pyles, in marked contrast to the rooster, dumpy buff, black and white Cochins. Messrs. Thomas, Bodger and Rowan have entries of the former birds.

The black tailed Japanese bantams entered by Fred J. Ludlow and J. I. Ironmonger are among the prettiest of the bantams.

Ostrich Didn't Eat a Horse
The jungle fowls exhibited by R. H. Norton and imported by him from India last summer, are among the interesting novelties of the show. In appearance the birds, which are the direct forebears of all the modern hens, resemble a leghorn bantam; but Mr. Dillingham described them as being "able to fly like a pigeon, prolific, hardy, great layers and ready to fight at the drop of a hat."

The ostrich is, of course, of special interest to anyone who has not visited the ostrich farm. He is a big black Nubian fellow, and yesterday afternoon a story was afloat that he had kicked a horse to death and eaten the remains.

The story was that sometime ago at the Whittier farm an ostrich did kick a horse, but not so seriously as to kill him. Neither did the big bird eat the decentralized fragments of the unfortunate equine. So another fond tale, on a par with the William Tell and "I cannot tell a lie" stories is shattered by an all too truthful ostrich breeder.

SHRINER BOUND OVER ON EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGE

By Associated Press.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 8.—Harry H. Allen, charged with embezzling \$7000 as recorder of the local chapter of Shriners, was today bound over to the criminal court. His bail was fixed at \$1000 and was furnished promptly. Allen is one of the best known Shriners in the United States. He says he possesses records that show he has turned into the treasury of the chapter more money than he is charged with embezzling.



RAMSEY



The District That Mining Experts Predict Will Rival the World-Famous Comstock

Ramsey, the newest mining camp in the State, holding within its borders more ore in sight than any other district in America, growing at the rate of 12 per cent weekly, is beating all records.

There are already 600 men working in the mines, putting up its buildings and attending to its business. Goldfield has 1400 union men employed in its industries, and Goldfield is four years older. Ramsey with less than one-tenth the size and life term of Goldfield has over 20 per cent of Goldfield's activity.

The reason of this is that the ore is there. Vast ledges can be traced all over the camp. There is no need to go into any extended description of these ledges, for descriptions of other camps have exhausted the English language as she is spoken, and it is unnecessary anyhow; the ledges show for themselves.

From the western to the eastern border of the district it is impossible to lift a shovelful of earth that will not assay something. The gold is diffused and is in place in nearly every square rod of the district.

It is the most accessible of the new Nevada mining camps, being but thirty-five miles from Reno and twelve miles from Virginia City, the home of the Comstock mines. Owing to the easy accessibility the mines are being

worked from the start at a big profit. Arrangements are now being made for the handling of five dollar ore at a profit.

The strike of one of the richest ore deposits ever found in the State of Nevada brought the Ramsey District into prominence on April 10, 1906. People then flocked into that section, and many new discoveries of rich ore were made. Mining companies were organized and the development of the district was begun. The question to be decided was whether or not the ore would continue with depth. The Ramsey-Comstock sunk 100 feet and cross-cut to the ledge. The ore encountered ran from \$50.00 to \$10,000 per ton. The Ramsey Mining Company sunk a shaft and encountered good ore at 75 feet. Many others did likewise, and the permanency of the district was established; the ore continued with depth.

Ramsey has had as quick a growth as any Nevada mining district (Manhattan, which was advertised all over the world, did not equal it) and has gone ahead strictly on its own merits. It gives as great a promise of equaling the Comstock (of which it is a continuation) as any mining region in this State today.

EAST COMSTOCK WONDER STOCK GREATEST BUY ON THE MARKET AT 15c SHARE

The East Comstock Wonder Mining Company is incorporated under the laws of Arizona for 1,000,000 shares of the par value of \$1 each. 500,000 shares have been placed in the treasury; balance being strictly pooled stock.

Connected with this company are some of the most influential men in this State. Hon. John Sparks, governor of Nevada, is vice-president; H. B. Westover, E. M., formerly associated with the Rothschilds of England and Germany in many of their successful mining ventures, is treasurer and general manager; Frank Wildes, assistant state treasurer, is one of the directors. Senator Livingston can also be ranked with this number.

The East Comstock Wonder Mining Company own two claims, the Big Hit and Grace No. 3, situated in the heart of the Ramsey district. Immense gold-bearing ledges traverse these properties, which are 4000 feet from the famous Ramsey-Comstock Company, which is now conceded to be one of the greatest gold mines in the United States. This ledge can be traced to and through the Big Hit claim, upon which ore was found when the assessment work was being done running as high as \$600.00 per ton.

We feel safe in predicting that this property will prove to the Ramsey district what the Jumbo, Red Top or

Mohawk is to Goldfield today. In addition to the two claims just mentioned, the East Comstock Wonder Mining Company secured the Dana claim four miles from Virginia City. Work was commenced on this property and shipping ore was developed within a very short time. All of the ore from this property can be handled at \$2.50 per ton on account of its proximity to the mills. Hundreds of tons, ranging in value from \$10.00 to \$300.00 a ton, are piled up, and regular shipments of ore will soon be commenced.

We positively know no better stock on the market at 15 cents per share than East Comstock Wonder. Many other companies that own property with such a showing as this one list their stocks at from 25 to 50 cents per share. East Comstock Wonder is now 15 cents per share.

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