

WIN THE GOOD PRIZES

Which are Offered for Live Stock and Farm Products at Decatur County Farmers' Institute.

The Decatur County Farmers' Institute and Teachers' Meeting will be held at Leon on Nov. 30, Dec. 1, 2 and 3.

The following program for the institute has been prepared:

Wednesday, Nov. 30th, 1:30 p. m. Music. Invocation—Rev. E. M. Hoff.

Response—Fred Woolley. Music. Soils—A. H. Snyder, Ames.

Thursday 10 a. m. Music. Animal Husbandry—A. A. Burger, Ames.

Stock Judging—A. A. Burger, Ames. Friday 10 a. m.

Music. Corn Judging—G. R. Bliss, Ames. Benefits derived from an organized corn club—Fred Woolley.

Election of officers. Friday 2 p. m. Music. Horticulture—G. R. Bliss, Ames.

Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock—Rural declamatory contest. Names of contestants given later.

Saturday, Dec. 3rd, 9:30 a. m. Song—"My Country 'Tis of Thee."

Devotional—Rev. J. S. Coffin. Echoes from I. S. T. A.—Miss Ella Grogan.

Better Preparation for Teachers—Mrs. Jennie Steele Huegic, Des Moines.

Discussion—A. C. Voelker. Agriculture in the Schools—A. S. Fulton, Osceola.

Discussion—O. H. Hollen. Piano Duet—Miss Josephine Chase, Miss Ruth Chase.

Some Characteristics of the Successful Teacher—F. H. Riggle, Decatur.

Discussion—Miss Porteaux Halstead, E. Spencer. Saturday, 1:15 p. m.

Needed Reforms in the Public Schools—Hon. V. R. McGinnis. Discussion—F. P. Reed, J. C. Duffield.

Effective Story Telling—Miss Myrtle Ballantyne, Lamoni. Discussion—Miss Cecilia Coffey, Miss Anna Hoadley.

Piano Duet—Miss Georgia Hurst, Miss Alta Hart. Relation of Teacher to Pupil—J. H. Dutton, Davis City.

Discussion—U. S. Webber. A premium list amounting to nearly \$200 should draw a fine display of live stock and agricultural products.

Everything is free, no entry fees or stall rent, only a few simple rules to comply with. It is up to the farmers to make this institute the best one yet, and try to have larger and more varied premiums for 1911.

Owing to the failure to receive selling entries for the fine stock sale in connection with the institution, the sale has been called off.

The following special premiums have been offered by the businessmen of Leon. Entries are free to all residents of the county. All exhibits competing for merchants' prizes must be products of Decatur county. Agricultural entries will be exhibited at the court house. Live stock and poultry entries at Marshall's brick barn on Commercial street. Further information desired will be furnished on application to J. W. Long, secretary Farmers' Institute, or to Albert Cotterill, secretary Stock Breeders Association, Leon.

Agricultural Special Premiums. Wm. Crichton & Son, hand-saw and hammer, worth \$2.25, for best ten ears of yellow corn.

J. A. Caster, one sack of EACO flour, for second best ten ears of yellow corn.

W. C. Stempel & Co., one \$2.50 fountain pen for best ten ears of white corn.

Penniwel Bros., one beef roast (\$1.00), for second best ten ears of white corn.

R. O. Allen, one family clock, for sweepstakes, best exhibit of corn.

T. P. Fulton, one sack of Sun-flower flour, for best single ear of yellow corn.

Cholene Medical Co., one dollar worth of Cholene remedies for second best single ear of yellow corn.

Ogilvie & Gardner, one sack Gold Medal flour, for best single ear of white corn.

Leon Reporter, one year's subscription for second best single ear of white corn.

Bell & Robinson, \$5.00 hand painted vase, for sweepstakes, best single ear of corn.

J. R. Babshaw, handsome china, \$2 best specimen of pop corn.

Bradley-Wasson Mercantile Co., one pair Harlow shoes, for best half bushel of oats.

Decatur County Journal, one year's subscription, for second best half bushel of oats.

Hurst Bros., one pair Selz shoes, for best peck of wheat.

J. R. Conroy & Son, one sack of White Loaf flour for second best peck of wheat.

H. A. Wright, one storm robe, for best sample (one quart) of cane seed.

Bradfield & Gardner, one sack Ar-dee flour for best sample (one quart) of timothy seed.

C. F. Miller, one 15 inch pedestal, for largest half dozen Irish potatoes.

Leon Bakery, five loaves of bread, for second best half dozen Irish potatoes.

F. N. Hansell, one pair \$3.50 shoes for heaviest pumpkin.

Live Stock Special Premiums.

Kraft Clothing Co., one Stetson \$4.00 hat, for best team of mules under five years.

Bowsher & Bowsher, one work coat, \$4.00, for best yearling dairy heifer.

C. A. Hubacher, one fancy door, \$5.00, for best mule colt under 2 years.

Ballew Lumber Co., material, \$6.00 for best yearling bull calf.

Poultry Special Premiums. Keller & Pryor, ladies' \$4.00 hat, for best pen Banded Rocks.

Clark Millinery Co., ladies' \$4.00 hat, for best pen White Wyandottes.

Leon Clothing Co., man's \$2.50 fur cap, for best pen of Rhode Island Reds.

VanWerden & Kopp, 25 pounds Fleck's Hog Remedy, for best pen of Buff Rocks.

W. A. Alexander, four 25c packages of Pratt's Poultry Food, for heaviest cockerel hatched 1910.

Dairy Special Premiums. Farquhar & Sons, handsome berry spoon for best one pound print of butter.

H. L. Long, fine automobile scarf, for best two pound print of butter.

Estes Cafe, box Davidson's Chocolates, for best pumpkin pie baked by girl under 16 years of age.

The following prizes are offered by the Decatur County Improved Stock Breeders Association for live stock exhibits to be made at Leon on Dec. 1st, 1910. All to be foaled in Decatur county during the year 1910. The exhibitor must be the owner of the dam at time of birth. No charge for entry and each animal entered for premium must be sired by pure bred sire.

\$5.00 for the best horse colt, any draft breed.

\$3.00 for second best horse colt, any draft breed.

\$2.00 for third best horse colt, any draft breed.

\$5.00 for the best mare colt, any draft breed.

\$3.00 for second best mare colt, any draft breed.

\$2.00 for third best mare colt, any draft breed.

\$5.00 for best bull calf, any beef breed.

\$3.00 for second best bull calf, any beef breed.

\$2.00 for third best bull calf, any beef breed.

\$5.00 for the best heifer calf, any beef breed.

\$3.00 for second best heifer calf, any beef breed.

\$2.00 for third best heifer calf, any beef breed.

\$5.00 for the second best heifer calf, any dairy breed.

\$3.00 for the third best heifer calf, any dairy breed.

Special Colt Prizes. To be awarded at the Decatur County Improved Stock Breeders Association meeting at Leon, on Dec. 1st, 1910.

By Geo. W. Wadsworth. \$3.00 for the best horse colt sired by the Shire stallion Tre Bon.

\$2.00 for the second best horse colt sired by the Shire stallion Tre Bon.

\$3.00 for the best mare colt sired by the Shire stallion Tre Bon.

\$2.00 for the second best mare colt sired by the Shire stallion Tre Bon.

By W. H. Akes. \$3.00 for the best horse colt sired by the Percheron stallion Vindex.

\$2.00 for the second best horse colt sired by the Percheron stallion Vindex.

\$3.00 for the best mare colt sired by the Percheron stallion Vindex.

\$2.00 for the second best mare colt sired by the Percheron stallion Vindex.

\$3.00 for the best horse colt sired by the English Hackney stallion Hockwold Bordeaux.

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\$3.00 for the best mare colt sired by the English Hackney stallion Hockwold Bordeaux.

\$2.00 for the second best mare colt sired by the English Hackney stallion Hockwold Bordeaux.

By Belgian Horse Co., T. A. Jackson, Keeper. A season's service, worth \$15.00, for the best colt sired by the Belgian stallion, Lorne De Arbois.

One half the price of a season's service, worth \$7.50 for the second best colt sired by the Belgian stallion Lorne De Arbois.

By Truman's Pioneer Stud Farm. Engraved Silver Cup for the best colt sired by any stallion sold by them in Decatur county.

By F. F. Bradley. One pair of \$7.50 12 karat gold filled spectacles for best registered rooster colt under three years raised in Decatur county. Glasses will be fitted when Mr. Bradley makes his next visit to Leon.

All colts entered for special prizes above must be foal of 1910. No charge for entry. Exhibit at Marshall's brick barn, Dec. 1st, 1910.

Alone in a Sawmill at Midnight unmindful of dampness, drafts, storms or cold, W. J. Atkins worked as Night Watchman, at Banner Springs, Tenn. Such exposure gave him a severe cold that settled on his lungs. At last he had to give up work. He tried many remedies but all failed till he used Dr. King's New Discovery. "After using one bottle" he writes, "I went back to work as well as ever. I sweated colds, stubborn coughs, inflamed throats and sore lungs. Hemorrhages, Croup and Whooping Cough get quick relief and prompt cure from this glorious medicine. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free, guaranteed by VanWerden & Kopp.

Mail order bargains are usually dear ones.

Heavy, impure blood makes a muddy, pimply complexion, headaches, nausea, indigestion. Thin blood makes you weak, pale, sickly. Burdock Blood Bitters makes the blood rich, red, pure—restores perfect health.

Gold bricks are numerous in the mail order business.

Mason and Dixon's Line. The King of England owed Admiral Penn \$80,000, and William Penn, on the death of his father, inherited the claim. At Penn's request King Charles granted him, in payment of his claim, a tract of 40,000 square miles in America. In the petition to the King, dated June 1680, Penn asked for the territory west of the Delaware river and from the northern boundary of Maryland to the north "as far as plantable." It was the largest grant ever made to one man in America.

The boundary of the colony, as given in the Charter, became the subject of the most serious dispute and the matter was not fully settled for a hundred years.

The first survey to establish the boundary and settle the dispute was made by Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon, two English surveyors, who were brought to this country by the heirs of both parties for that purpose. They arrived in America on November 15, 1763, and began that year the survey, completing it in 1767.

Lord Baltimore had claimed that the fortieth degree fell north of Philadelphia, whereas the King in granting it supposed it would fall at the head of the Delaware Bay. Penn insisted that the line be fixed where it was supposed to be.

The charter says that the province granted to Penn was to extend five degrees westward from the Delaware river, and "the said lands to be bounded on the north by the beginning of the third and fourth degree of Northern latitude and on the south by a circle drawn at twelve miles distance from New Castle northward and westward unto the beginning of the fortieth degree of northern latitude.

Just what the beginning of the third and fourth and the beginning of the fortieth degree meant, was not clear. Penn, finding that the fortieth degree fell too far north to give him a harbor on the Chesapeake, contented that the beginning of the fortieth degree did not mean in part; but it cost him dearly for although the charter set the boundary at the beginning of the forty-third degree, which would have thrown it north of Buffalo, it was finally fixed at the forty-second degree.

In 1732, the heirs of Penn and Baltimore signed an agreement that the line between Pennsylvania and Maryland be run due west from the tangent of the western boundary of Delaware with the arc twelve miles from New Castle. Mason and Dixon surveyed it west for 244 miles, and at the intervals of a mile small cut stones were set in the ground; each stone had a large P cut on the north side, and B on the south side. Every five miles was placed a larger stone bearing the Pennsylvania coat of arms on one side and that of Lord Baltimore on the other. These stones were cut in England and afterwards brought to the colonies.

A few of these stones still stand, but time has crumbled many of them; others have been carried away by pieces by relic hunters, and a few are doing service as steps before the doors of farmhouses along the route. The first revision of the survey was made in 1849 when it was found the original survey was substantially correct, and within a few years the route has been gone over and many of the former historic monuments were recovered and put in their proper places.

30 YEARS OF SUCCESS. Bell & Robinson Offer a Remedy for Catarrh. The Medicine Costs Nothing if it Fails.

When a medicine effects a successful treatment in a very large majority of cases, and when we offer that medicine on our own personal guarantee that it will cost the user nothing if it does not completely relieve catarrh, it is only reasonable that people should believe us, or at least put our claim to a practical test when we take all the risk. These are facts which we want the people to understand. We want them to try Rexall Mucu-Tone, a medicine prepared from a prescription of a physician with whom catarrh was a specialty, and who has a record of thirty years of enviable success to his record.

We receive more good reports about Rexall Mucu-Tone than we do of all other catarrh remedies sold in our store, and if more people only knew what a thoroughly dependable remedy Rexall Mucu-Tone is, it would be the only catarrh remedy we would have any demand for.

Rexall Mucu-Tone is quickly absorbed and by its therapeutic effect tends to disinfect and cleanse the entire mucous membrane tract, to destroy and remove the parasites which injure the membranous tissues to soothe the irritation and heal the soreness, stop the mucous discharge, build up strong, healthy tissue and relieve the blood and system of diseased matter. Its influence is toward stimulating the mucous cells, aiding digestion and improving nutrition until the whole body vibrates with healthy activity. In a comparatively short time it brings back a noticeable gain in weight, strength, good color and feeling of buoyancy.

We urge you to try Rexall Mucu-Tone, beginning a treatment today. At any time you are not satisfied, simply come and tell us, and we will quickly return your money without question or quibble. We have Rexall Mucu-Tone in two sizes, 50 cents and \$1.00. Remember you can obtain Rexall Remedies in Leon only at our store—The Rexall store. Bell & Robinson.

For a mild, easy action of the bowels, a single dose of Doan's Regulents is enough. Treatment cures habitual constipation. 25 cents a box. Ask your druggist for them.

Do your duty and leave the rest to the other fellow.

THE IOWA SLUMP. The state of Iowa suffered a loss in population during the last census decade of 7,082. As practically every city and town in the state showed a healthy gain, the loss, of course is in the rural farming communities.

The official count for the state today shows a population of 2,224,771. From 1890 to 1900 the percentage of increase was 16.7 per cent. From 1900 to 1910 we lost three-tenths of one per cent.

The Capital does not look upon the loss of the past ten years as necessarily a severe indictment of the state. If the loss had been 25,000 or more the matter might have been regarded with deep concern. As a matter of fact this loss is but a temporary manifestation of change. The spell of a delusion that they might better their conditions elsewhere something like seven thousand people have heeded the call of the wild which is farther northwest and west. Iowa contented and indifferent, has permitted them to go without much effort at persuading them to remain or to even advertise her resources in order that others might be attracted hither to take the place of those insistent upon moving away.

It is quite safe to predict that another ten years will tell a different story. There is a growing conviction among the people of the state—the people who are for Iowa first, last and all the time—that the period has arrived when a systematic and intelligent course should be followed in a proper advertising of the resources of the state. One of the first tangible fruits of this conviction has already materialized in the Iowa League of Commercial Clubs—the prime purpose of which is not merely the boosting or exploiting of a particular locality or section but to call national attention to the merits of the entire state.

The lesson of the past ten years will not be lost upon Iowa, as we believe the progress of the next ten will abundantly show.—Des Moines Capital.

FORGIVENESS. Have you an enemy?—one for whom because of a real or fancied injury, only hatred is in your heart, whom you refuse to forgive and with whom you feel you can never become reconciled? If so, in some quiet place alone with your conscience, with the world and its hurry and hustle, its confusion, contentions and strife for the time forgotten, let this thought dwell in your mind for a little—ask yourself this question: "If he were lying cold and still and white in death's embrace today and I were brought to see him thus, would I then be ready to forgive?" Would there not be, think you, something in the sight of the wan, pale face which would force in upon your soul the sad impotence of the familiar form whose senses now are all benumbed and stark, and would you not feel how pitiful a thing and useless it is to keep your anger still? Would you not wish you had forgotten—that you and your neighbor had become reconciled before he went beyond the chance of it?

Time and circumstances often bring to clear view things but dimly seen before and present them in a vastly different light to our wondering and regretful eyes. Why not now, then, unfurl the white flag of peace, thus forestalling the dread hour when you and the hated one may meet face to face—the dead face and the living? There is nothing sweet in hatred and life is so short why not now, today, make your peace before he goes beyond your reach of him. It will save you much regret and self-reproach and much remorse, for the great shadow is moving here and there and soon will cross the threshold of this door and usurp a place in the inner room—or, it may be, you first will enter the covered way which leads far beyond the warning voice of conscience or opportunity's fitful and erratic hour. Forgive the hand that harshly strikes.

In anger's reckless mood, Perhaps the heart behind it mourns The action hot and rude; And though the insult sends the blood,

Indignant to the face Its pardon to the injured brings No sorrow or disgrace. Forgive the tongue whose hasty words Like flaming arrows burn, Behind it too, a heart may sigh And for forbearance yearn; Since there is none of human kind That doth not sometimes need An ill-used neighbor's clemency For grievous word or deed.

Though, hate should follow, hard and close With every cruel wrong, This thought will always cheer the soul It cannot be far long; While on an easier bed he lies, Who from revenge is free. Who says, "My heart forgives them all As God forgiveth me!"

THE VOTERS ARE LEARNING. The most conspicuous fact revealed by the election result is that the voters know a lot more about the tariff than the politicians gave them credit for knowing.—Kansas City Star.

Looking One's Best. It's a woman's delight to look her best, but pimples, skin eruptions, sores and boils rob life of joy. Listen! Bucklin's Arnica Salve cures them; makes the skin soft and velvety. It glories the fact. Cures Pimples, Sore Eyes, Cold Sores, Cracked Lips, Chapped Hands. Try it. Infallible for Piles. 25c at VanWerden & Kopp's.

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