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ARE FAIRS OF PRACTICAL VALUE

FACTS SUBMITTED BY R. W. STORRS, JUSTIFYING APPROPRIATIONS.

Are fairs of practical value—of such practical value that the State is justified in making appropriations for them?

This question was asked Mr. Storrs, editor of the DeFuniak Breeze, who is here in the interest of the West Florida Fair.

Mr. Storrs said:

"Taking the West Florida Fair at DeFuniak Springs, as an example, the following facts are submitted as evidence that these institutions are of such practical value to the State as to make appropriations for them not only justifiable, but justified.

"The first of these fairs was held in 1899, and every year up to and including 1904, before any appropriation was asked for from the State. From 1900 to 1905 the increase in population of Walton county, in which this fair was held, was 31 per cent; in Washington county, in which one fair was held, it was 17 per cent; in Holmes county, which adjoins these—and which for this reason derived a portion of the benefit, the increase was 16 per cent. In Jackson, Santa Rosa and Escambia counties the increase was 14 per cent; in Calhoun county, the increase was 13 per cent.

"None of these latter named counties did anything in this line. In none of the counties of West Florida were there any new railroads built, or large manufacturing establishments located, which would account in any manner for the difference, and the increase in Walton county of 14 per cent above the next highest can only be attributed to the advertising that county got from the exhibition of its material resources.

"From the fact that all expenses of every kind, including premiums paid, was met by personal contributions, it was, of necessity, entirely local in its nature, and so local in its influence.

"Along the same line it may be mentioned that, from figures furnished by the transportation companies, 1,008 families located in Florida as a direct result of the South Florida Fair at Tampa.

"But the greatest value of the fairs is not in the way of inducing immigration. It is in their educational and inspirational value to the home people.

"Taking again practical examples from the West Florida Fair: When the first fair was held one of the corn exhibitors was highly indignant because his exhibit did not win the premium, because his exhibit was composed of the largest ears. In his mind, as in the minds of many others, the largest was synonymous with the best. Last year this same man was present with an exhibit that ranked high in the general exhibit, which was pronounced by the expert corn judge who passed upon that class of articles, as the best he had ever seen in the South, being superior to that shown at the State Fair in Georgia and comparing favorably with the exhibits of Illinois and Indiana. The exhibit winning first prize scored ninety points by the standard score card used in the corn shows of the corn belt.

"Nor was this man alone in what he had learned. The entire display of forty individual exhibits was of the same general excellence.

"Other instances might be cited in reference to potatoes, sugar cane and other products of the farm, field and garden.

"So with live stock and poultry. Because in these fairs the people have had object lessons in the comparison of the native and the better class, there has been the same progress along those lines.

"Under the provisions of the bills now before the Legislature the money can be used for the payment of premiums only, and the money goes directly to the producing classes of the State, and by reason of these appropriations the fair associations are enabled to offer premiums of such amounts as to bring competitors from every section of the State. Last year premiums were paid by the West Florida Fair to residents of every county in West Florida except two, Washington county being the largest winner. In the State Fair at Tampa every county represented won premiums—twenty-three counties in all.

"If we look for precedent in the action of other States we find that the wealthiest agricultural States of the Union are the most liberal in their appropriations for this purpose, Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio making appropriations varying from \$75,000 to \$150,000 per annum for this purpose."

COLONEL NAT HAS RETURNED.

The forenoon of yesterday found the House minus its most prominent settings.

Speaker Matthews is ill, and hasn't been in the hall for two days.

Chief Clerk Kellum went home sick yesterday.

Assistant Reading Clerk Strozier has become a hydro-maniac, and has drunk Hampton Springs dry in an attempt to stave off something that he feels creeping on him, though he hasn't given up yet.

Assistant Reading Clerk Marion shucked his coat, announcing that "spring has come."

Reading Clerk Nat Walker had been absent several days, but returned to the 'customed hill yesterday afternoon.

Having been excused to attend court in Wakulla County, Colonel Nat had become somewhat unaccustomed to the harness and had to take a reef in his belt when he tackled a bill on third reading.

In Colonel Nat's purview, a bill on third reading should be accompanied by suitable facial distortions. So when the reading was reached he focused his lenses in panoramic pitch, caused them to perform a cyclographic movement and pointed out the various distortions which he had established him as Rex of all the readers.

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