

COMMUNITY FAIR WAS A REVELATION

MOUNTAIN CREEK PEOPLE REFLECT PROGRESS

THE FIRST ATTEMPT

All Anderson Was Wonderfully Impressed as Result of Marvellous Showing Made

Reflecting the thrift and industry of the residents of that community in matters pertaining to agriculture and education, and attesting in most eloquent terms the richness and fullness of life on Anderson county farms when in the living of the same the proper kind of intelligence is applied, the Mountain Creek Community Fair, held yesterday at the school house of this well known settlement eight miles below Anderson, will go down in the history of that section as epochal in its influence, and will doubtless be as keenly felt throughout the county, creating new interest in agricultural life and influencing many to see with a clearer vision the hopelessness of success without some education or at least the application of modern intelligence in their methods.

There are those who have participated in county fairs in this and other counties, and there are those who have either taken part in or attended state fairs, and some have visited even world fairs, but so far as is known, the Mountain Creek school district is the first unit smaller than a county or the section lying about a conspicuous town to attempt a "community fair," the best state fair, the most successful county or sectional fair was never more interesting or successful, in proportion, than the

community fair of the Mountain Creek school district. A surprise to the residents of the school district, the event struck those present from the city and other parts as a most remarkable affair.

Three Weeks in Making.
A feature of the fair probably unknown to a great many of the visitors from a distance, and one of which the residents of the district are fond of reminding one, is that the idea of a community fair was conceived, developed and carried to culmination within the incredibly short period of three weeks. Still another of the outstanding features of the fair is the fact that there are within the Mountain Creek school district only about 20 families. How such a large and varied exhibit as that shown yesterday could be gathered in the space of three weeks and contributed by but 20 families struck those who were cognizant of these facts as truly remarkable.

A Varied Collection.
Enumeration of the various products shown at the fair would be little short of an impossibility, and therefore, the best that can be done at this time is to classify them. There were seven great classes of exhibits, as follows: Canned goods and bread, fancy work, antiques, school work, flowers, farm products and livestock.

On long tables beside the school-house were grouped the farm products. There was corn, cotton, oats, wheat, peas, sweet potatoes, Irish potatoes, turnips, beets, pumpkins, peacans, peanuts, tomatoes, syrup, etc. Several of the specimens were declared to be as fine as any of the kind ever seen at a state fair. In neat pens and crates, placed in a nearby grove, were various specimens of poultry, such as turkeys, geese, guineas, chickens, pigeons and peafowls. Poultry fancier could have found here a feast for the eye that would have occupied their attention for a full day. In

live stock exhibit were mules, horses, colts, swine, cows, goats etc.

The Educational Phase.
Not all of the program was devoted to the exhibition of fine stock, farm products, poultry and flowers, the viewing of the tempting specimens of the culinary art or the admiring of the beautiful creations of the needle. In the adjacent church building, splendid talks were made on educational and agricultural topics by well known authorities.

This feature of the day's program was in charge of County Superintendent of Education J. B. Felton. The Rev. R. H. Harris opened the exercises with prayer and welcomed the visitors to the Mountain Creek Community Fair. The first speaker of the day was Mr. Luaco Gunter, State Supervisor of Rural Elementary Schools, who is spending a fortnight in Anderson county visiting the rural graded schools of this section. The speaker had been assigned the subject of education. He treated practically but one phase of the broad subject, making a plea for the localization of teaching in the common schools, that is, the teaching of practical subjects or those subjects which are most useful to the pupil in his vocation. He stressed the need for teachers of this day specializing in their chosen branches of study, that is acquiring all the knowledge possible about that subject which they are to teach. Having outlined his address, the speaker pointed out that the great problem confronting the patrons of the rural schools was the providing of the rural schools adequate facilities, both in number of teachers and equipment. He deplored the fact that in some counties of South Carolina was still to be found the one-teacher school, and expressed the hope that soon there would be not only one-teacher schools in the state but few two-teacher schools. Mr. Gunter was accorded the closest attention throughout his address, and his remarks doubtless deeply impressed his hearers.

Bountiful Picnic Dinner.
Following the close of the exercises in the church, those in attendance repaired to the yard, where Prof. Jno. O. Williams, of Clemson College, explained to them the good and bad points about several types of live stock. This ended the program for the day.

Gospel of Agriculture.
Declaring that the gospel of agriculture was second to none but the gospel of Jesus Christ, Prof. W. H. Barton, of the Farmers' Cooperative

Demonstration Work of Clemson College, who had been assigned the subject of agriculture, delivered one of the most powerful and impressive talks on this subject that has been heard in Anderson county in many a day. Agriculture he stated, is one of the two great columns supporting the structure of the State, the other column being education. By means of a chart, the speaker, splendidly illustrated his talk and drove home the truth of every point in a most convincing manner. The columns "education" and "agriculture," he stated, are composed of seven stones each, the former being composed of the following stages: home education, religious education, public school, high school, college, university and personal experience. Corresponding with these seven stones, he stated, the column designated "agriculture" is composed of the following processes: Drainage including proper terracing, deep fall plowing, well prepared seed bed, frequent shallow cultivation, seed selection and seed breeding, winter and summer legumes in crop rotation and animal industry and marketing. The first five of these processes the speaker characterized as "soil robbing" and the last two as "soil building." In a convincing manner he showed how the farmers of this country have been soil robbers of the worst type in their methods of agriculture, and then he showed how by the last two processes the soil could be built up again and the farmers saved a large proportion of the cost of commercial fertilizers. Supported by the two columns, "education" and "agriculture," the speaker stated, are the following results in the order named: labor, manufacturing and mercantile prosperity; commercial prosperity; professional support; civic prosperity, which represents the State.

The Women's Department.
The neat and attractive building of the Mountain Creek school was devoted to the woman's share in these splendid exhibits, and this had been beautifully decorated in autumn leaves, and divided into sections. There were six divisions, the fancy work, cakes, canned goods, breads and butter, antiques, the children's school work, and flowers.

The first, the fancy work exhibit was in charge of Misses Lillian Stevens and Ray Masters, and here the articles shown were particularly beautiful and would have done credit to any community or section. There were specimens of embroidery, crochet, tatting, and many other dainty pieces of hand work. The first prize in embroidery was won by Miss Ray Masters, and in crochet work a baby cap, Mrs. Carl McLain Othens, whose articles received a blue ribbon were: Mesdames J. N. Masters, Robert Sparks, Doris Sullivan, Oscar McCown, B. F. Tilley, John Finley, W. G. Stevenson, W. T. Morrison, C. H. McLain, C. B. McCann, Misses Ray Masters, Bertha Burriss and Ella Montgomery.

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Mrs. Ed McCown and Mrs. John Masters received a blue ribbon each on their cakes. Mrs. R. E. Sparks and Mrs. John Masters had charge of this booth.

Pantry Supplies Good.
The next section was devoted to canned goods, breads, butter and other pantry supplies, and made a splendid showing that reflected great credit on the housewives of this community. The ladies to whom the credit for this display was due were Mesdames E. J. McCown, W. L. McCown, John Finley, A. S. Masters, A. L. McCurry, and Furman Chamblee and Frank Skelton. The first prize, given for the best collection of pantry supplies, including canned fruits, preserves, pickles and jellies, was won by Mrs. Ed McCown, while the second went to Mrs. Furman Chamblee, third to Mrs. Joe McGill. Blue ribbons given for individual specimens were given to Mrs. John Masters, mixed pickles; Mrs. A. S. Masters, best canned Elbertas; Mr. Chas. McCown, best pickled peaches; Mrs. W. T. Morrison, best apple preserves; Miss Marie Kelly, best canned pears; Miss Helen Sparks, best catsup; Mrs. John Finley, best jelly; Mrs. Frank Skelton, best cucumber pickles; Mrs. Will McCown, best okra and tomatoes; Mrs. Ed. McCown, best peach jelly; Mrs. Hess Chamblee, best pickle beet; Mrs. Will Stevenson, best specimens of candy, with Miss Eveline Masters second. Mrs. John Finley won the blue ribbon on her butter, and Mrs. Amos McCurry, the red ribbon. Mrs. John Finley received the blue ribbon on vegetables, and Miss Helen Sparks, the red ribbon. Best milk yeast bread, Mrs. E. L. Montgomery, second Mrs. Carl McLain.

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Altogether, the ladies of that community ought to be very proud of this their first fair, and certainly the many visitors who were there yesterday were enthusiastic in their praise, and hearty in their congratulations on the success of this occasion.

Farm Products Exhibit.
The following awards were announced by the judges of the other

was spread such a sumptuous picnic dinner as only the good housewives of the Mountain Creek section know how to prepare. Here were piled in profusion the delicacies of neighborhood pantries and the finest products of barnyards, gardens and fields.

Attendance Large.
Practically the whole of the population of the Mountain Creek school district attended the fair. In addition to these and visitors from neighboring districts, quite a large contingent of residents of Anderson were in attendance.

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Beautiful Quality Mercerized Napkins, large size, doz. 98c

Linen Napkins, big values, at \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 per dozen.

Best Grade Linen Napkins at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$4.00 per dozen.

THE BEE HIVE

G. H. BAILES, Proprietor

announced by the judges of the other contest:

Best exhibit Dent corn—Pure Moore, first honor; W. F. Jones, second honor.

Best exhibit Prolific corn—J. N. Masters, first honor; Furman Chamblee, second honor.

Best exhibit popcorn—Clarence Morrison, first honor; Walter Chamblee, second honor.

Best stalk cotton—W. G. Stevenson, first honor; W. F. Jones, second honor.

Best peck oats—J. M. Masters, first honor; Charles Burriss, second honor.

Best peck sweet potatoes—W. L. McCown, first honor; B. F. Tilley, second honor.

Best peck wheat—J. N. Masters, first honor; Walter Chamblee, second honor.

Best peck Irish potatoes—J. N. Masters, first honor (only exhibit).

Best peck turnips—Furman Chamblee, first honor; B. F. Tilley, second honor.

Best trio beets—Walter Chamblee, first honor; W. T. Morrison, second honor.

Best six beets—Mrs. J. W. Hall, first honor (only exhibit).

Best pumpkin—C. B. McCown, first honor; Maynard Sullivan, second honor.

Best pecans—Miss Ella Montgomery, first honor; C. B. McCown, second honor.

Best gallon peanuts—Miss Ella Montgomery, first honor; Pink Erbery, second honor.

Best peck peas—B. F. Tilley, first honor; Malcolm McGill, second honor.

Best cotton in seed—W. T. Jones, first honor (only exhibit).

Best corn on stalk—C. B. McCown, first honor; C. W. Masters, second honor.

Best stalk popcorn—Clarence Morrison, first honor (only exhibit).

Best tomatoes—Furman Chamblee, first honor; W. G. Stevenson, second honor.

Best quart of syrup—Walter Chamblee, first honor; D. J. Burriss, second honor.

Poultry Exhibit.
Best trio turkeys—Mrs. D. J. Burriss, first honor; Carl McLain, second honor.

Best pair turkeys—J. N. Masters, first honor (only exhibit).

Best pen of chickens—Mrs. D. J. Burriss, first honor; Walter Chamblee, second honor.

Best bantams—D. F. Chamblee, first honor; Carl McLain, second honor.

Best pigeons—A. F. Masters (Only exhibit).

Best geese—Carl McLain, first honor (only exhibit).

Best geese—A. S. Masters, first honor (only exhibit).

Best peafowls—J. R. Finley, first honor (only exhibit).

Livestock Exhibit.
Best boar pig—W. F. Morrison, first honor; D. J. Burriss, second honor.

Best sow pig—W. F. Skelton, first honor; D. J. Burriss, second honor.

Best brood sow—W. T. Morrison, first honor; W. T. Morrison, second

Best litter pigs—W. T. Morrison, first honor (only exhibit).

Best pen pigs—Walter Chamblee, first honor (only exhibit).

Best dairy bull—A. S. Masters, first honor; Walter Chamblee, second honor.

Best dairy cow—J. O. McCown, first honor; D. J. Burriss, second honor.

Best horse colt under 2 years—T. L. McGill, first honor (only exhibit).

Best mule colt under 2 years—W. F. Skelton, first honor (only exhibit).

Best mule any age—T. L. McGill, first honor; J. N. Masters, second honor.

Best pair mules—J. L. McGill, first honor; J. N. Masters, second honor.

Best brood mare—W. F. Morrison, first honor; J. L. McGill, second honor.

Best gelding—Cecil Hall, first honor; E. T. McCurry, second honor.

Best flock goats—Walter Chamblee, first honor (only exhibit).

Flower Exhibit.
Best Boston fern—Miss Ella Montgomery, first honor; Mrs. A. S. Masters, second honor.

Best Asparagus sprenger fern—Mrs. D. J. Burriss, first honor (only exhibit).

Best asparagus plumosus fern—Mrs. D. J. Burriss, first honor; Mrs. West Morrison, second honor.

Best vase cut flowers—Mrs. W. G. Stevenson, first honor; Miss Marie Kelly, second honor.

Best geranium—Miss Annie Masters, first honor; Mrs. Amos McCurry, second honor.

Best table fern—Mrs. A. S. Masters, first honor; Mrs. D. J. Burriss, second honor.

Best crested fern—Miss Ella Montgomery, first honor; Mrs. Robert Sparks, second honor.

Best basket plant—Mrs. Frank Tilley, first honor (only exhibit).

Best "Woman's Tongue"—Mrs. D. J. Burriss, first honor. There were but two exhibits in this class of plants, and as the fern taking second honor was not numbered the owner's name could not be ascertained.

Prizes Awarded.
Winners of the blue ribbons, or first honors, in several of the contests were also awarded premiums, these having been donated by public spirited merchants of Anderson. Pal Moore was awarded a hat for the best exhibit of corn. Cecil Hall was awarded a shirt for the best horse. Maynard Sullivan was awarded a knife for the best chickens. Harold McGill was awarded a box of soap for the best mules. Frank Skelton was awarded a package of coffee for the best hog.

The following judges served for the management of the fair:
Canned goods and bread: Mrs. W. A. Huggins, Mrs. T. A. Wigginton and Mrs. J. R. Anderson.

Fancy work: Mrs. O. D. Anderson, Mrs. J. P. Duckett and Mrs. J. B. Lewis.

Antiques: Mrs. D. E. Vandiver, S. E. Cater, and Miss May Wigginton.

School work: Pro. A. D. Banks, J. H. Godfrey, Miss Janie Gardington.

Livestock: Pro. John O. Williams.

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