

Pizes For Rural Schools.

Rural School Improvement Association Renews Offer of 35 Prizes to Schools of the State—Announcement by State Superintendent of Education.

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The Rural School Improvement association has renewed its offer of 35 prizes to the schools of South Carolina. The contest is open to all country schools, as well as to schools in towns of less than 400 population. Last year 91 entries were made and the committee of award were so impressed with the exhibit made that they subscribed \$200 for eight additional prizes.

The above information was sent out yesterday by State Superintendent Swearingen, who wrote the following letter to county superintendents:

"The smallest rural school is eligible for the contest, and if there is a log schoolhouse remaining in any locality in South Carolina it should this year be replaced with a comfortable frame building. The more backward the community the greater should be the teacher's incentive to improvement. All schools entering the contest should communicate with Miss Theodosia Dargan, Dalzell. The prizes are to be awarded in December, and 100 entries are earnestly requested."

THE ANNOUNCEMENT.

The following is the announcement of the association:

"The South Carolina School Improvement association offers 35 prizes to the schools of the State for the most decided material improvement made during a given length of time. Five of the prizes are to be \$100 each, and 30 are to be \$50 each. Regulations concerning the 35 prizes that are to be awarded by this association are as follows:

"(1) Improvements must be made between November 1, 1908, and December 10, 1909.

"(2) Prizes will be awarded to schools where the most decided material improvements have been made during the time mentioned.

"(3) Under material improvements are included local taxation, consolidation, new buildings, repairing and painting old ones, libraries, reading rooms or tables, interior decorations, beautifying yards and better general equipment.

"(4) No school can compete for any of these prizes unless it is a rural school. No town with more than 400 inhabitants shall be eligible to the contest.

"(5) All who wish to enter this contest must send names and descriptions of schools before improvements are made to the president prior to October 1.

"(6) All descriptions, photographs and other evidences showing improvements must be sent to the president before December 15, 1909. The chairman of the board of trustees of any school that is competing for a prize must approve all descriptions before and after improvements are made.

"(7) Blanks will be sent to schools competing for the above prizes with questions to be answered relating to the conditions under which the improvements have been made.

"(8) Prizes will be awarded in checks at the annual meeting of the South Carolina association, December 31, 1909. The prizes are to be used for further improvements in the schools, receiving them."

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Beautiful Easter Waists at Very Moderate Prices.

Fresh, crisp and dainty White Lingerie and Tailored Waists of Lawn and Batiste; also black and colored Fancy and Tailored Waists made in the very latest styles—every one a splendid value.

Ladies' White Lawn Waists.

Entire fronts of allover Embroidery in many style patterns; back and sleeves tucked. These waists are easily worth 85c, but we bought them at a reduction and will give you a chance to save on them. Ten dozen on sale at **50 Cents.**

Ladies' White Waists.

Made of Persian Lawn, made in the very best styles, trimmed in Swiss insertion, val lace and fine tucks. Ten dozen at **75 Cents.**

Ladies' White Waists.

Of fine White Batiste exquisitely trimmed in insertion, val lace and baby Irish medallions. These models have long sleeves daintily tucked—a splendid value at **\$1.00.**

Ladies' Tailored Waists.

In pink, blue and heliotrope, have attached white linen collars, cuffs and front band—very neat and attractive waists for **\$1.00.**

Ladies' Tucked Waists.

Almost entirely trimmed in tucks, closed in front with dainty ruffle of Swiss embroidery—a splendid value at **\$1.00.**

Ladies' Black Waists

Of lawn with large and small tucks; very attractive models from **50 Cents to \$1.25.**

Ladies' Fine Batiste Waists.

Made of very sheer white batiste, elegantly trimmed with round thread lace and insertion, Irish medallions and tucks, **\$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50.**

Ladies' White Petticoats.

From the plain to the fluffy ruffles variety; all are elegantly made and daintily trimmed—exceptionally good values all.

White Cambric Underskirts

with tucked flounce finished with a ruffle of embroidery, others with torchon lace; a great value for **50 Cents.**

White Cambric Underskirts

with very wide embroidery flounce and tucks at **75 Cents.**

White Nainsook Underskirts

with flounce 15 inches deep, made of beautiful torchon insertion and lace, others with embroidery flounce; extra special **\$1.00.**

White Muslin Underskirts

with entire flounce made of val insertion and lace; extra fine quality muslin—**\$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00.**

Ladies' Cambric Corset Covers.

Finished with hemstitched ruffles, very neatly made and an extraordinary value at **15 Cents.**

Ladies' Corset Covers.

Made of plain nainsook and longcloth, finished at top with two and three rows of val insertion with lace to match **25 Cents.**

Ladies' Corset Covers.

Made of nainsook with imitation of hand embroidery, finished with beading and ribbon **35c, 50c, \$1.00.**

Ladies' Night Gowns.

Of nainsook, yokes made of tucks and insertion, full width, all sizes **50 Cents.**

Ladies' Night Gowns.

Of longcloth, beautifully made and daintily trimmed with lace and tucks, extremely good values at **75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25.**

Ladies' Night Gowns.

Made with drawing string around neck; short sleeves finished with lace, beading and ribbon—very dainty summer night robes—**\$1.00 and \$1.25.**

Ladies' Night Gowns.

Of sheer dimity, soft and cool; neatly trimmed, good value **\$1.25.**

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Gloves of Kid, Silk and Lisle Thread in all the new shades to match your spring dresses.

Hosiery and stylish new footwear—Suede Walking Shoes and Pumps.

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Of cambric, nainsook and longcloth with flounce of embroidery, others with tucks and frills—

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Ladies' Combination Suits.

Fine Gauze Ve's combined with Muslin Drawers—a boon to stout women—

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