

SOAP-MAKING NEW CONTEST FEATURE, AILSA CRAIG FAIR

Farmers of District Expert in
Making Own Washing
Compounds.

[By Staff Reporter.]

AILSA CRAIG, Sept. 23.—More than 2,000 people gathered here today for the 52nd annual Ailsa Craig Fair. The fair was a record-breaker. The gate receipts totalled \$100 over that of last year.

In the evening an amateur concert was held. It was well presented and delighted the hundreds of people who crowded the hall. The Kineto Orchestra of Parkhill supplied the music. The Birt Brass Band was in attendance at the park throughout the day. President Reeve M. Clatworthy, and Secretary Treasurer C. Stewart were in charge, assisted by a number of the fair board directors.

Potatoes Fine Exhibit.
The exhibits were better than they have been in previous years, but were not so plentiful. The vegetable exhibits were ahead of last year, especially in potatoes. Henry Westcott, a well-known farmer in this district, captured three first prizes. Among the principal winners in field vegetables were J. D. McEwen, James Darling, Edward Hughes, Alexander W. Stewart, Dan Henderson, J. Hanson, John Crawford.

The flowers were exceptionally beautiful. Asters of every color and color were on exhibition. The fruit exhibits, although small, were of the best quality. J. Utley and G. L. Shipley were successful in capturing the majority of the prizes.

There was a large exhibit of butter and other domestic products. Mrs. James McFarlane was the principal prize winner in the butter exhibitions. **Soap-Making Contest.** A new feature of the fair was the soap-making contest. The high cost of soap has prompted many farmers to manufacture their own. The winners in contest were John Crawford and Alexander W. Stewart.

In the honey competition George Amos of Leury and Miss M. Wylie were the winners. The ladies' work exhibit was unusually large this year, due to a new prize list being used. The work attracted a great deal of attention from fair visitors. Mrs. George Amos, Mrs. D. Henderson, Mrs. J. Clark and Mrs. W. Leitch were the principal prize winners. The art work exhibits were larger than last year and of a better quality. Among the winners were Dan Henderson, George L. Shipley and W. Kennedy.

Leading Cattle Exhibitor. Alexander McLean captured the majority of prizes in the cattle exhibits. J. Utley was the principal winner in poultry exhibits. Mr. Utley captured 41 firsts out of as many entries at the Toronto exhibition. He was also a big winner at the Stratford fair.

A great deal of interest was taken in the horse races, which were the best that have taken place on the local track for many years. The results were as follows:

Free-For-All One Mile; Time 2:18;
Purse \$250.
Billie Bishop, J. Mullin 1 1 1
Hal T. I. T. Harz 2 2 2
Ego, T. Yearling 3 3 3
Green Race, Half Mile; Time 1:06;
Purse \$100.

Togo, N. McLaughlin 1 1 1
Little Wood Eel, I. T. Harris 2 2 2
Tony Direct, Harry Headley 4 4 4
Lady Gold Dust, T. Yearling 2 4 6

GERMAN GUN NOW IN CORONATION PARK

Eighteen Pound Reminds Parkhill
People of the Great War.

Parkhill, Sept. 23.—The German field gun, which was assigned to Parkhill by the war trophies committee, has been placed in Coronation Park. It is an 18-pounder, of 1918 make, and was captured on September 2, of that year by the 10th Infantry Brigade. It is little damaged by shell fire.

At the regular meeting of the chamber of commerce a resolution was passed asking that the town be granted a half holiday on October 1, so that citizens can attend the unveiling of the McGillivray Township Soldier Memorial.

Two carloads of women went to McKenzie's peach orchard near Theford on Monday to pick peaches for the Canning Centre.

Next Sunday is rally day in the churches here, and the children will figure largely in the services.

Henry Ellis, cattle drover, has purchased another 50 acres of land in West Williams.

Mrs. John Houston, who lived for over fifty years in Parkhill, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. McCann in Sarnia. The remains were brought to Parkhill for interment.

The Sylvan School fair will be held on the school grounds on October 1.

OVERTURNED LANTERN BURNS DEREHAM BARN, SHED AND CONTENTS

INGERSOLL, Sept. 23.—A serious fire loss was sustained last night by Thomas Burge, a well-known farmer on the 7th concession of Dereham Township. Fire broke out in his drive shed from an overturned lantern, spread rapidly, and following a trail of oil, destroyed his automobile. Several other contents were discovered many neighbors turned out in their automobiles and rendered assistance. They were successful in saving the granary and the main barn, but they worked for hours to accomplish this. The fact that there was a light wind aided their efforts.

The drive shed, a large barn and the hen house, together with their contents, were destroyed. Mr. Burge had his left hand and forearm badly burned. The loss is only covered by insurance. Considerable sympathy is felt for Mr. Burge, as he lost his right arm a few years ago.

Shoulder Bone Broken.
Alfred Bell of Dereham Township was the victim of a serious accident when he fell from a wagon and broke his shoulder bone.

Gerald Gill, who attending the Verchocyle school had his hand painfully injured by a piece of sheeting falling from the rafters of a wood shed. The wound required several stitches.

LONDON WOMAN GIVES INTERESTING MISSIONARY TALK

THORNDALE, Sept. 23.—A very impressive "thank offering" service was held in the East Nissouri Baptist Church on Sunday evening. The special speaker of this occasion was Mrs. T. J. Hill of London, a returned missionary. Vocal numbers included a solo by Mrs. Dunlop of Kintore, and a duet by Mrs. Twain Gleason, Thorndale, and M. McIntyre of Thornale. Several pieces of music were beautifully rendered by the Sunday school orchestra. The pastor of the church, Rev. M. P. Lockhart, in introducing Mrs. Hill, made reference to her long and faithful labors in Angola, Portuguese and West Africa. Mrs. Hill, in an interesting and able address, spoke of the "Ture of Africa" as a mission field, and urged the claims of that great country in view of the forward movement of Mohammedanism, also the challenge of the Christian church that, in the opening up of Central Africa to civilization, which is now taking place, the Christian gospel should be to the fore.

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WOODSTOCK MASONS VISIT THAMESFORD

Thamesford, Sept. 23.—Last night was a big night among the brethren of King Solomon's Lodge, No. 334, on the occasion of a fraternal visit paid the lodge by representatives from Oxford and King Solomon Lodge, Woodstock. The visiting lodges came about 40 strong, and a team demonstrated the third degree. The Woodstock lodge boast unusually strong musical organizations in their choir and orchestra, and a hundred men present were given a splendid program. After the work of the night the company visited the town hall, where at a long table they enjoyed No. 334's hospitality and good-fellowship. Lakeside, Thorndale, Embro and Ingersoll lodges were represented.

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NEW NOTHING ABOUT LIQUOR.

HAMILTON, Sept. 23.—The Hamilton hotelman mentioned in connection with the seizure of a Packard truck and 300 cases of whiskey at Belleville this morning denied positively that he knew anything about the shipment. Stanley L. Cruickshank and John Treacher, the visiting lodges came about 40 strong, and a team demonstrated the third degree. The Woodstock lodge boast unusually strong musical organizations in their choir and orchestra, and a hundred men present were given a splendid program. After the work of the night the company visited the town hall, where at a long table they enjoyed No. 334's hospitality and good-fellowship. Lakeside, Thorndale, Embro and Ingersoll lodges were represented.

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MADE FINE SHOWING IN CROP COMPETITION

Melbourne, Sept. 23.—The following is the result of the standing field crop competition conducted by the Melbourne Agricultural Society:

First, W. P. Cornell; 2, Fred Eaton; 3, Malcolm McNeil; 4, Malcolm McGugan; 5, H. A. Fletcher; 6, Gilbert Hyndman; 7, C. E. McLean.

James Pullin of Woodstock judged the grain, which was white oats.

A large number of local people attended the school fair at Appin on Monday, and the exhibits were well worth seeing, and were a great credit to the children who took part.

Many farmers in this locality are threshing their grain, and the oats are turning out far beyond expectations.

Andrew McLaughlin has purchased the Wadsworth farm, situated one and half miles from Springbank. This is considered one of the finest farms in that locality.

The monster provincial motor oil tank along the Longwood road through the villages of Melbourne, Delaware and Lambeth recently, and was very much appreciated by the villagers, as this will keep down the dust during the remainder of the season.

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