

Boys Who Know How to Raise Red Corn



JESS J. CORRELL



WALTER PFLUG

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
 LINCOLN, Dec. 7.—(Special.)—Jess J. Correll, a 15-year-old Frontier county lad, will take a trip to Washington tomorrow as a reward for his efficient work in growing the largest number of bushels of corn on an acre of land, having won the sweepstakes prize offered by President Buckingham of the South Omaha Stock Yards company for any boy in the state contesting under the name of the crop's corn growing contest.

The work of educating the boys and girls of Nebraska in the growing of farm products and the producing of dairy products was begun about two years ago under Prof. C. W. Pugsley and fifteen boys took part in the contest for the honor of growing the largest number of bushels of corn on an acre. In the work Prof. Pugsley has been assisted by Miss Huldah Peterson.

Organizations of boys' clubs in agriculture and girls' clubs in domestic science have been made wherever it was possible. The state was divided into two sections, the east and the west, and cash prizes aggregating \$300 assigned to each county, the first prize being \$100.

Much of the success of the work in interesting the boys is due to President Buckingham of the South Omaha stock yards, who came forward with a cash offer of \$100 to make up the prizes to be offered. In addition to the prizes given to each county the boy who won in each section of the state receives a cash prize of \$50. In addition to this the boy who raised the largest number of bushels in the state was to receive a free trip to Washington, in which all his expenses should be paid. This was an incentive which had much to do with making the contest a success and as a result, besides the winners in the two districts, twenty other boys raised over fifty bushels to the acre.

Frontier county gets the sweepstakes prize, Jess J. Correll of that county raising eighty-eight bushels to the acre. That this boy understands the business of raising corn is shown in that he won the prize last year, growing 100 bushels on a single acre.

Young Correll's parents live in Cambridge, but he has an uncle who owns a farm in Frontier county and to this uncle the lad applied for sufficient land to make the test. The uncle told the boy that he could pick any five acres of land on the farm he desired; Jess looked the farm over and selected a two-acre tract in a bend of the creek which two years ago had stood under water a portion of the summer when there was plenty of rain. It was here that the prize was won, for the ground held the moisture of years before and the end justified the wisdom of the lad. From this two acres he picked one acre in the center, and from this the eight-eight bushels were grown and husked.

All of the work was done by the lad,

as it is one of the requirements of the contest that the work must all be done by the boy entering the contest. In order that the award may be fair an affidavit by three reputable citizens knowing the circumstances, is required and then an inspector is sent out by Prof. Pugsley, who makes a thorough investigation of the matter.

In the eastern division, Walter Pflug of Sarpy county, residing near Papillion won the contest, growing eighty-four bushels. He will receive the special prize of \$50 and will also go to Washington with young Correll, the trip being made at his own expense. They will be accompanied by Miss Peterson.

The start will be made tomorrow and when they arrive in Washington they will be invited to call on the president with representatives from about thirty other states, will visit places of interest in Washington and one evening they will be the guests of the secretary of agriculture at a banquet.

"Now if some good man or woman would come forward and make an offer of at least \$200 to be used in prizes to encourage the fits in domestic science, and put them on an even footing with the boys," said Prof. Pugsley in answer to the question of why the girls were not remembered, "I would be supremely happy. I doubt not that there are many good men and women in Nebraska who would gladly give that amount of money to help the girls if their attention was only called to the matter, and I hope that the success of the boys' contest will arouse someone to come forward with an offer."

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ALLEGED MAIL THIEF HELD TO GRAND JURY

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The evidence showed that Harding had ridden on a Union Pacific train on the day after the robbery on a transferrable mileage book which was taken from the stolen pouch. It was mailed from Lincoln to Central City by Rev. H. V. Shirley and was traced by registry receipts.

Notes from Anselmo.
 ANSELMO, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—A deal was consummated by which J. C. Stead became proprietor of the Swastika

WIND AND RAIN GIVES FALSE ROBBERY ALARM

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram.)—Officials of the Liberty State bank announced today as far as they can learn no attempt was made to enter the bank last night as reported. They are of the opinion the wind and rain disarranged the wires so as to cause the burglar alarm to go off.

A posse was organized and entered the bank after the alarm had sounded for an hour but nothing in the bank was disturbed.

Four Inches of Rain in Beaver Valley

BEAVER CITY, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—After a period of unprecedented drought, the Beaver valley has been soaked from one end to the other with a rain which has continued almost incessantly since last Saturday. The government gauge at this place has registered up to yesterday 3.68 inches. In the record kept for twenty-two years this surpasses all December rains. The fine feature of the precipitation is that it has come gently and has been soaked up by the ground, doing the utmost amount of good.

UPLAND, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special.)—All December rain records in Franklin county have been beaten this week. Since November 29 the government rain gauge here shows over four inches of rain has fallen. Farmers are already complaining, as, although it is a good thing for the wheat, it is playing havoc with their corn fodder. It is still raining, with no sign of abatement.

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