

July 13, 1923

The Grassyville Fair

**Grassyville Fair a Big Success
Exhibits of Thrifty People
Enjoyed By Many**

The Grassyville Community Fair was held Wednesday and from every standpoint, it was a decided success. The citizens of that community, with many from other communities, joined efforts and put on a fair that is a credit to any locality. By so coming together and working in conjunction with leaders who are efficient, the people are not only exerting their own best efforts but they are showing the world at large that this section of the state can and does produce products that are on par with those of any other section.

Much of the credit of the Grassyville Fair is due to the teacher of the small school Mrs. Ellen Bright, who has only twenty-four pupils, but who is one of the live workers in the profession who teaches "things not found in books." Due to her efforts, in conjunction with many progressive citizens of that community, especially Otto Hoffman and Rev. A. K. Vetter, and numerous others, and a thoroughly wide awake county superintendent Mr. Haynie, and a county agent Mr. King, and a county home demonstration agent Miss Saunders, much work has been done in the school along the line of boys club work, and girls work in canning, cooking and sewing. The Grassyville Fair was a result of the work, and the exhibits on display attest that those children are learning to be home makers, as well as acquiring academic knowledge, and the extra work that they are taking upon themselves is not causing them to "let up" one bit on their text book learning. If the editor had a guess coming, he would say that when children do club work, home economics work, work in music or other directed activities, that leaders in the class are found among such children. In other words, the more a child does under competent direction and tutelage, the more he is prepared to do; the less he is permitted to do, the less he will desire to do.

Grassyville put on its first community fair in a great way, with all details well looked after. There was an abundance of well barbecued meat and other eatables, ample parking space for autos and wagons, spacious grounds for games and ropings, band stand and music by the Manheim band and a house full of exhibits. People spent the entire afternoon admiring the articles that had been provided by the old and the young people, articles pertaining to the home in all its phases, the field, the dairy and the school. Up to noon 150 autos had registered. Many more came during the afternoon.

Mr. Walker, chief agricultural agent for the M. K. & T. Lines was the judge in charge, and he complimented the class of exhibits and spoke highly of any people who are able to present such high class work. In conversation with the editor of the News, Mr. Walker said: "The people of this section of the state do not realize what opportunities they have at their command if they will but utilize them." He delivered an illustrated lecture on the dairy industry.

Awards were made as follows:

<p>First Prizes in the Poultry Department were awarded as follows:</p> <p>Plymouth Rocks (light), Rev. A. R. Vetter.</p> <p>Buff Orpingtons, R. F. Peschke.</p> <p>Brown Leghorns, R. F. Peschke.</p> <p>Buff Plymouth Rocks, R. F. Peschke.</p> <p>White Leghorns, A. J. Jaster (Giddings).</p> <p>Brown Leghorns, A. J. Jaster (Giddings).</p> <p>Minorcas, J. H. Dunk.</p> <p>Ancenas, Otto Schulz.</p> <p>Guineas, Otto Gersch.</p> <p>Golden Wyandottes, W. G. Bright.</p> <p>Ancona, best hen, Mrs. J. E. Pauls.</p> <p>R. I. Reds, pullets, Mrs. J. E. Pauls.</p> <p>Farm Products</p> <p>Oats, Rev. A. R. Vetter.</p> <p>Darso</p> <p>1. E. C. Behrens.</p> <p>2. Otto Hoffman.</p> <p>Milo Maize</p> <p>1. Hy. F. Stuessy.</p> <p>2. Otto Hoffman.</p> <p>3. C. Steglich.</p> <p>Red Top Cane</p> <p>1. Aug. Steinbach.</p> <p>2. J. Hempel.</p> <p>Feterita, R. F. Peschke.</p> <p>Corn</p> <p>1. Louis Peschke.</p> <p>2. E. C. Behrens.</p> <p>3. J. H. Dunk.</p> <p>Best individual ear corn, J. H. Dunk.</p> <p>Cotton, Reinhold Peschke.</p> <p>Garden Products</p> <p>Beets, R. F. Peschke.</p> <p>Carrots, R. F. Peschke.</p> <p>Cabbage, A. R. Vetter.</p> <p>Irish Potatoes</p> <p>1. J. H. Dunk.</p> <p>2. Frank Meuth.</p> <p>3. Gerhard Schatte.</p> <p>Onions</p> <p>1. Mrs. Louis Stuessy.</p> <p>2. A. R. Vetter.</p> <p>3. J. R. Steinbach.</p> <p>Sweet Potatoes</p> <p>Gerhard Schatte</p> <p>Lemon Cucumbers</p> <p>Sam Stuessy.</p> <p>Garden Display (basket of vegetables), Mrs. Bright.</p> <p>Squash</p> <p>1. J. H. Dunk.</p> <p>2. Reinhold Peschke.</p> <p>Cantaloupe</p> <p>J. H. Dunk.</p> <p>Musk Melon</p> <p>F. G. Meuth.</p>	<p>Quill Melon, Paul Noack.</p> <p>Pumpkin</p> <p>J. H. Dunk.</p> <p>Largest Cucumber</p> <p>Gerhard Schatte.</p> <p>Okra</p> <p>J. H. Dunk.</p> <p>Best Tomatoes</p> <p>1. Mrs. Otto Gersch.</p> <p>2. A. R. Vetter.</p> <p>3. E. C. Behrens.</p> <p>Grapes</p> <p>1. Gerhard Schatte.</p> <p>2. W. G. Bright.</p> <p>Watermelon</p> <p>1. John Brahm, 50 lbs.,</p> <p>2. L. W. Stuessy, 40 lbs.,</p> <p>3. Mrs. Ellen Bright.</p> <p>BOYS CLUB DEPARTMENT</p> <p>White Corn, Elmer Peschke.</p> <p>Yellow Corn, Herbert Stuessy.</p> <p>Six Stalks Cane, F. G. Meuth.</p> <p>Canning Department</p> <p>Catsup, Mrs. H. Dunk.</p> <p>Carrots</p> <p>1. Mrs. R. Peschke.</p> <p>2. Mrs. Sam Stuessy.</p> <p>Onions</p> <p>Louis Stuessy.</p> <p>Corn</p> <p>1. Mrs. R. A. Miertschin.</p> <p>2. Louis Stuessy.</p> <p>Pears</p> <p>Mrs. R. A. Miertschin.</p> <p>Dill Pickles</p> <p>1. Mrs. E. C. Behrens.</p> <p>2. Mrs. Louis Stuessy.</p> <p>Sweet Pickles</p> <p>1. Mrs. Louis Stuessy.</p> <p>2. Miss Leona Hoffman.</p> <p>3. Louis Stuessy.</p> <p>Beans</p> <p>1. Mrs. Lizzie Hempel.</p> <p>2. Mrs. Wm. Kunkel.</p> <p>Cucumbers</p> <p>1. Mrs. Lizzie Hempel.</p> <p>2. E. C. Behrens.</p> <p>Sweet Pickled Beets</p> <p>1. Mrs. Ellen Bright.</p> <p>Beets</p> <p>1. Mrs. Hulda Groeschel.</p> <p>2. Mrs. Lizzie Hempel.</p> <p>3. Mrs. Peschke.</p> <p>Soup Mixture</p> <p>1. Mrs. J. H. Dunk.</p> <p>2. Mrs. Gerhard Schatte.</p> <p>3. Otto Gersch.</p> <p>Tomatoes</p> <p>1. Mrs. Gerhard Schatte.</p> <p>2. Unknown.</p> <p>3. Mrs. Otto Hoffman.</p> <p>Dewberries</p> <p>1. Mrs. Otto Gersch.</p> <p>2. Unknown.</p> <p>Plums</p> <p>Mrs. Hulda Groeschel.</p> <p>Grape Juice</p> <p>Mrs. Ellen Bright.</p>	<p>Jellies</p> <p>1. Mrs. Ellen Bright.</p> <p>2. Otto Gersch.</p> <p>3. J. H. Dunk.</p> <p>Preserves</p> <p>1. Mrs. Louis Stuessy.</p> <p>2. A. R. Vetter.</p> <p>3. Louis Stuessy.</p> <p>Pickles</p> <p>1. Louis Stuessy.</p> <p>2. Leona Hoffman.</p> <p>3. A. R. Vetter.</p> <p>Honey</p> <p>E. C. Behrens.</p> <p>Black-eyed Peas</p> <p>1. J. H. Dunk.</p> <p>2. Otto Hoffman.</p> <p>CAKE DEPARTMENT</p> <p>Angel Food</p> <p>1. Mrs. Otto Gersch.</p> <p>2. Mrs. L. W. Stuessy.</p> <p>Coffee Cake</p> <p>Mrs. Otto Hoffman.</p> <p>Jelly Roll</p> <p>Mrs. Leona Hoffman.</p> <p>Raisin Bread</p> <p>Mrs. J. H. Dunk.</p> <p>Light Bread</p> <p>Mrs. E. C. Behrens.</p> <p>Layer Cake</p> <p>1. Mrs. L. W. Stuessy.</p> <p>2. Mrs. Paul Berger.</p> <p>3. Mrs. Hugo Meuth.</p> <p>Pie</p> <p>Miss Annie Stuessy.</p> <p>Canned Tomatoes</p> <p>Canned Tomatoes (Girls Club)</p> <p>1. Hattie Steinbach.</p> <p>2. Annie Meuth.</p> <p>3. Ruby Hoffman.</p> <p>GIRLS CLUB</p> <p>Pickles</p> <p>1. Annie Meuth.</p> <p>2. Aline Dunk.</p> <p>3. Amanda Berger.</p> <p>Cake</p> <p>1. Amanda Berger.</p> <p>2. Anna Meuth.</p> <p>3. Unknown.</p> <p>Canned Beans</p> <p>Elsa Stuessy.</p> <p>Soup Mixture</p> <p>Hattie Steinbach.</p> <p>Canned Beets</p> <p>1. Aline Dunk.</p> <p>2. Dora Steinbach.</p> <p>3. Anna Meuth.</p> <p>Canned Corn</p> <p>Florence Steinbach.</p> <p>Jelly</p> <p>Amanda Berger.</p> <p>Hand Work Department</p> <p>Center Piece</p> <p>1. Dora Steinbach.</p> <p>2. Ruby Hoffman.</p> <p>3. Annie Meuth.</p> <p>Handkerchief</p> <p>1. Annie Meuth.</p>
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2. Maggie Dunk.	Bed Spread
3. Ruby Hoffman.	Mrs. J. H. Dunk.
Cap	Crochet Center Piece
Ruby Hoffman.	Mrs. Losa Lee Peschke.
Hat	Lamp Mat
1. Ruby Hoffman,	Louise Peschke.
2. Unknown,	Tatted Baby Cap and Bootees
3. Allene Dunk.	Mrs. A. R. Vetter.
Scarf	Sofa Pillow
1. Hattie Steinbach,	Mrs. Louise Stuessy.
2. Ruby Hoffman.	Hat
Handkerchief Case	Mrs. Ellen Bright.
1. Allene Dunk,	Scarf, White
2. Annie Meuth.	1. Otille Hamff,
Night Gown	2. Olga Gersch,
1. Allene Dunk,	3. Unknown.
2. Allene Dunk,	Combing Jacket
3. Ruby Hoffman.	Leona Hamff.
Pillow Case	Leona Hoffman.
1. Maggie Dunk,	Child's Wash Dress
2. Dora Steinbach,	1. Leona Hoffman,
3. Dora Steinbach.	2. Mrs. Ellen Bright,
Patch Work	3. Mrs. Robert Miertschn.
Allene Dunk.	Child's Organdie Dress
Garters	Mrs. Lydia Schweers.
1. Ruby Hoffman,	Ladies Wash Dress
2. Dora Steinbach,	Mrs. Ellen Bright.
Sewing Bags	Ladies Silk Dress
Maggie Dunk.	Mrs. Ellen Bright.
Thread Bag	Table Cover
Ruby Hoffman.	Mrs. Louis Stuessy.
Rag Rugs	Best Dozen Eggs
1. Ruby Hoffman,	1. J. H. Dunk.
2. Unknown,	2. Mrs. Otto Gersch,
3. Carrie Dunk.	3. Mrs. J. H. Dunk.
Bungalow Apron	Comments on the Fair
1. Allene Dunk,	The exhibits of corn caused
2. Eline Stuessy,	much favorable comment as to
3. Maggie Dunk.	the quality of corn produced
Dresses	about here.
1. Ruby Hoffman,	The Boys Club work has
2. Amanda Berger.	made an excellent showing for
Ladies Work	its first years work. The Girls
Bed Set (4 pieces)	Club has been in the Grassyville
Olga Gersch.	school two years.
Centerpiece	The advantage of infertile
1. Annie Stuessy,	eggs was brought out very dis-
2. Rosa Lee Peschke,	distinctively. Mr. King, county
3. Unknown.	agent for Bastrop
Colored Embroidery	County, advised the editor that
1. Johanna Senff,	infertile eggs are now bringing
2. Mrs. Louis Stuessy,	on the Bastrop market 8c per
3. Alma Dolisale.	dozen higher than the fertile
Crochet Motif	eggs. He has two Egg Circle
Frieda Rander.	Associations in Bastrop County,
Towels	and the members find ready
1. Leona Hoffman,	market for all "circle eggs" at
2. Leona Hoffman,	an increase of 8c. per dozen
3. Leona Hoffman.	over eggs not marketed by the
Camisole	circle associations. Mr. King
Miss Leona Hoffman.	has one customer who will pur-
Knit Center Piece	chase every circle egg he can
Mrs. Emma Deo.	get.
Crochet Yoke	Cornelius Stuessy of Lee
1. Mrs. J. A. Vogel,	County had his water color
2. Mrs. J. H. Dunk	painting on exhibit. They were
Pin Cushion	of his work years ago in a
1. Alma Gersch,	Lee County country school un-
2. Leona Hoffman.	der one of the best teachers
Tatted Yoke	ever in this section, Miss Lena
Lillian Thiele.	Perltz. The drawings have
	been exhibited in many places
	over South Texas.
	The exhibits of old relics
	were studied by many. Those
	arousing the most curiosity
	were a pair of augers (for bor-
	ing ox yokes), made by August
	Hamff in 1866, also a cultivator
	made by the same person, and
	owned and used (every year) by
	William Saegert.
	Two spinning wheels were
	exhibited and some towels and
	blankets made by them 55
	years ago. Mrs. August Johle
	made the towels. The wheels
	are owned by Mrs. Mary Hamff
	and Otto Hoffman.
	Arthur Jaster displayed a
	hand made violin.
	The oldest clock was 50
	years, by L. W. Stuessy. The
	oldest Bible was by Mrs. Ellen
	Bright. The book has been in
	use 90 years.
	The best span of mules was
	by Adolph Noack, former gar-
	age man of Giddings, but who
	heard the call of the country
	and answered with a good crop
	this year.
	A Bible was shown and the
	bullet was still in it from the
	Battle of Missionary R.
	during the Civil War. The
	book was in the pocket of the
	owner, directly before his
	heart. Doubtless the book
	saved the bullet from penetrat-
	ing his heart.
	A cannon of the late war had
	been engraved by Emil Stuessy.
	It was a work of beauty.
	1800 lbs. of meat were used.
	200 autos had registered at
	3 p. m.