

THE MATANUSKA VALLEY PIONEER

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PALMER NEEDS AN AIR FIELD

By that heading we don't mean an Army Air Base, we mean just an ordinary little commercial field.

Alaskans fly more miles per capita than people of any other district in the world. Aviation, now that it is well established, is as important to Alaska as good roads are to the people in the States. An air field is a necessity to any town in Alaska, yet we have not one place where ships can land except in the planted field Mr. Shonbeck, and that will soon be out.

When the Anchorage Ball Team flew up here to play Palmer Mr. Shonbeck graciously turned the field over to the flyers, but it certainly asking too much to expect to use it any longer. His crop is up and not only will continued landings ruin what has been planted, but it is becoming dangerous to land because of the height of the hay.

Certainly, there must be an area around here which could be made into a field without too excessive cost. Some old settler may find that his pasture will earn more as a flying field than it brings him as a grazing place for his cows.

FAIR (continued)

awards which will be made for produce, handicraft and stock. Keep this list as you will want to refer to it often between now and the opening of the fair on September 4.

To make this fair a success it will take the co-operation of every valley resident. Start now and groom your stock or poultry for exhibition. Save your choice vegetables. Bring in the best you have and maybe you'll win a prize.

And to help the fair raise the necessary funds buy a chance on that fine Dodge Sedan. One ticket will win it. Thanks to "Red" Glover, who knocked his commission off, it will not be necessary to sell as many tickets as had first been planned. Buy one now...let's get it raffled off and let the lucky winner enjoy it during the summer. Tickets for sale at all business houses and from members of the fair association committees.

HOSPITAL NOTES

A 7 pound and 11 ounce baby boy was born to Mrs. Paul Parlette on Sunday the 19th, and a baby girl weighing 9½ pounds to Mrs. E. W. Barry on Thursday the 23rd. Both mothers and infants are doing splendidly according to Dr. Albrecht.

Darlene Higgenbotham, whose leg was badly burned, has been returned to the hospital for further treatment.

June King, a private patient, has been admitted for surgical treatment.

Bernard Jensen, William Ely, Virginia LaRose and Donald LaRose all had their tonsils removed.

Pete Fannratty, who stoked the fire at the hot water heating plant suffered a slight stroke on Wednesday and was admitted to the hospital where his condition remains about the same.

George Childs got tangled up with some logs and a cable while working on one of the clearing crews and broke three toes in one foot.

Darlene Jensen has been admitted for medical treatment.

Jack Romer, who worked here all winter as a steel man, seems to be experiencing a lucky year. He won \$736 on the Nenana Ice pool, and now he has received word that the Alaska Juneau Mines has been ordered to pay him back wages in the amount of \$3170.00. Irish Ferrin, painter with the ARRC, will receive a like amount.

Thirty-two horses and 200 more chickens arrived by the Thursday train.

The PIONEER will soon make its appearance as a press printed paper. Equipment is now on its way in and a 22x30 log building to house the shop is being erected next door to Jones' Beauty Parlor.

Colonel O.F. Ohlson is offering a cash prize of \$25.00 for the largest cabbage exhibited at the fair this fall. Get them going, folks. It will have to be a big one, you know. Last year we had 35 pound cabbages here.

We understand, too, that the Colonel has made a cash offer for every ear of corn grown here. It looks now as though he might eat some high priced corn this fall as many stands have been planted.

MATANUSKA VALLEY FAIR

ASSOCIATION

Palmer, Alaska

FIRST ANNUAL FAIR Sept. 4--Sept. 7

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- Miss Ruth DeArmond.....Secretary
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ADMISSIONS

No children under 8 years of age allowed admission at evening exhibitions unless accompanied by parents or guardians.

- Adult, single admission day or night, (except Monday night).....\$1.00
- Children between 8 and 15, single admission, day or night..... .25
- Children under 8 years of age, accompanied by parents or guardian..... Free
- Monday night admission..... .75

SEASON TICKETS

- Season Ticket, adult..... 2.00
- Season Ticket, children under 15 years..... 1.00.

Exhibitors visiting the Fair will be charged the regular admission, except Live Stock exhibitors.

Concessionnaires and merchants renting booths will be given not to exceed two Season Tickets for each.\$10.00 concession or booth.

Superintendents and assistants will each be given a Season Ticket or Pass.

Friday, Sept. 4

Grand Opening, 10 a.m., At Knik River Bridge
 Official Opening
 Anchorage--Matanuska Highway
 Address by Prominent Speakers

Ball Game--2 p.m. Picture Show--7:30 p.m. Jitney Dancing 9-12:

Saturday, Sept. 5

10 a.m. Fair Exhibits, Liveness Parade
 Ball Game-- 2 p.m. Evening--Picture Show Jitney Dancing