

FIRST PET SHOW IS A SUCCESS

A good crowd turned out for the pet show held here in Palmer last Sunday. There were entries ranging from a sad faced fox terrier in diapers to a black bear cub who high hatted all contestants.

After a parade before the movie camera the judges, Mrs. Victor Johnson, Lt. Col. LeRoy Hunt and Walter Huntley, awarded first prize of a sweater and cap to match to the dog team drawing a home-made wagon on which little parka-clad Jimmy Monroe rode as Miss Colonist. The mushers were Lyman Wilding and Miles France, also in northern clothing.

Second prize, a pair of lined mittens, went to a mother dog and her young litter. She was the pet of Hjalmar Kertulla.

A wool lumber jacket, prize for the most comical entry, went to Lawrence Larsen and his little red pig with the big green bow. He was a most unreasonable pig. Always, he wanted to go in the opposite direction, and did he protest when Larry tried to turn him! He sounded most of the time as though he were caught under a rail fence. He even protested when he won the prize.

Other entries were a couple of frisky calves, a somewhat tired goose, and dogs of all descriptions. Some came 'as is' while others were dressed up. One had an outfit of shorts and a sweater, while another wore a Red Cross cap and carried a medical kit.

Fred Fordham, official photographer of movies for the WPA and the man who donated the prizes, got some very interesting shots of the show.

Mr. Fordham is leaving this week and wishes to take this opportunity of thanking the colonists and all others who have so whole heartedly cooperated in his efforts to get representative pictures of the colony development.

EXTENSION QUARTERS READY SOON

Headquarters for the valley extension work under the direction of Mrs. Fohn-Hansen will occupy a portion of the building which is also to house the sculler and barber shops. It is expected to be ready this week.

"In the event any of you are in doubt as to just what the extension service accomplishes," said Mrs. Fohn-Hansen, "Here is a summary of what has been done during the past two weeks.

"A total of 231 persons have called at the office, most of them wanting information about knitting, glove-making and sewing. Twenty-eight pairs of gloves were started of both commercial and native tan-

ned leather. Twelve pieces of tooled leather are almost ready, eight people using the commercial pattern sent out by the Women's Club of Anchorage.

"Four persons have been assisted in cutting garments, one has learned to spin, and two the art of weaving. The sale of hand-made products has amounted to \$24.25 and numerous bulletins have been distributed.

"Five meetings have been held for the purpose of organizing home demonstration clubs in the various neighbor-hoods. Camps 7-6-5-2-8 and 9 already have definite plans to meet regularly twice a month, to discuss details of the work."

"The extension service is supported by federal and territorial funds made available by the Department of Agriculture. In order to reach the entire territory the time given to each community is therefore limited and Mrs. Fohn-Hansen will not be able to remain much longer in Palmer.

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