

COUNTY FAIRS

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Attendance records smashed was the information given out by Montgomery County Fair officials late Thursday afternoon when it was plainly evident that all previous Thursdays of the "greatest on earth" were being put in the shade as far as crowds were concerned. Experts on the gate estimated that close to 15,000 had passed through the entrance since the grounds had been thrown open early this morning. Residents from out in the county, old and young, began streaming into the city at an early hour Thursday and after spending an hour or two down town the traffic set in for the fair grounds. Everything opened early at the grounds and ran full blast every minute all day.

The interurban and steam roads brought visitors from every angle of the map and it was early afternoon before the influx of people began to lessen at the railroad stations.

Great interest centered Thursday in the announcement of the premium awards for the entries in the county school exhibit and the educational building where this exhibit is housed. Students from the schools of the county were out in force Thursday and the exhibit drew more than its share of attention.

Supt. Myers of the county poor farm created an innovation for that institution this year by exhibiting in the same building with the Purdue exhibit, a variety of vegetables and grain, raised on the county farm this year. This is the first time as far as known, that the farm has been represented at the fair and the showing made is very creditable. The exhibit shows the wide variety of produce that is raised on the farm, and all is of good quality and size. Supt. Myers has received many words of praise for his exhibit.

Friday is getaway day at the fair, but from the program that has been outlined by the management it is evident that the usual hurry and bustle of "breaking up" will not take place this year. There is so much doing for the last day that everything and everybody will stick to the grounds till the last moment. Following is the program for exhibits.

Friday, Sept 1

9 a.m. - Sweepstakes on horses.

11-12 a.m. - Best runabout class 9, gelding or mare

1 p.m. - Sharp - grand parade of the premium stock.

2 p.m. - Racing - on the track, Alcyfras, Harry Jones' wonderful pacer and holder of the world's record for a mile over a half mile ring, will go an exhibition mile in an effort to lower its own mark of 2:64 1/4. The track is fast at the fair grounds this year, and there is every reason to believe that the Jones horse will honor the local oval by establishing there a new international

record.

More information -- this paper is online if you desire to read more of the happening of the fair that year