

LABOR DAY

40,000 People at the Princeton Fair Grounds—Many from Boonville Participate

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One of the greatest gatherings ever seen in Indiana and a record-breaker for Labor day gatherings in the middle west, the great assemblage at the fair grounds Monday touched the 40,000 attendance mark, according to competent judges of crowds.

By 2 o'clock Monday afternoon the grounds were literally packed, the interior of the ring was dense with cars and they were parked also in every available section of the grounds beyond the ring.

Fred N. Aten, international representative of the Railway Carmen, has been all over the United States attending labor meetings and he declares he never saw such a gathering before. M. Cliff Townsend, secretary of the Indiana Farm Bureau, expected to see several thousand people and he was surprised by what he did see.

Grounds Literally Filled

While thousands of men were marching in the parade which started promptly at 10 o'clock Monday morning, many more thousands were steadily arriving at the fairgrounds. Hundreds of cars were parked outside the grounds and the occupants walked to the gate.

Electric amplifiers carried the sound of the speakers' voices to all parts of the grounds. The speakers were at the band stand at the front of the amphitheater.

On the free act platform, Si of the Si and Mandy act, proved a capable announcer. There were so many free acts, all of high caliber, that it was difficult to get everything in. Professor Irvin L. Oster and the American Legion band played during the day and their playing was of high order.

Judge Claude A. Smith, saying that it never rains on Labor day, introduced the speakers.

Mayor O. T. Brazelton welcomed the Labor day gathering, expressing his own and the city's gratitude that the thousands of laboring men could be gathered together on so great an occasion.

Judge Smith introduced Mr. Townsend. The farm bureau speaker sketched the story of the farmer, who at one time was fairly prosperous. He has not kept pace with the trend of present days but is awake to his needs and is organizing. This nation does not want and will not have a pauperized agriculture. The farmer, like labor, is not organizing to take advantage of other groups but to eliminate waste, Mr. Townsend declared.

Judge Smith spoke at some length on what he declared was a threat to the welfare of the county, a threat to open a non-union mine in the eastern part of this county. He declared he would never favor a non-union mine in Gibson county, that such a thing would work disaster.

After dinner there was a band concert and then Judge Smith introduced T. N. Taylor, president of the state Federation of Labor, who spoke on the unemployment situation. Mr. Taylor spoke of increased machine production. There is no objection to the machine as such but a machine does not buy commodities while the men it displaces do buy. Men displaced by machines cannot be cast aside to starve if the welfare of this country is to be preserved.

Cheap Labor No Solution

William Mitch, secretary-treasurer of District 11, United Mine Workers of America, was the next speaker. Cheap labor will solve none of the ills of today, he declared. Districts which have gone on a low wage basis in the past few years are notably slack in coal production, he said, citing instances. Mr. Mitch talked at some length on the situation of today and why it is necessary for the miners to guard their organization from encroachment.

NOTE—Warrick county was represented in the parade as follows:

Central Labor Union, Boonville, float.

Sunlight No. 8, Boonville, float.

Mine Local No. 1244, Boonville.

Boonville Band.

Pigeon Creek, mine local No. 5065, Boonville, float.

Local No. 1094, Newburgh.

Local No. 1875, Chandler.

Bryans Local, No. 187, Chandler.

Ladies' Auxiliary No. 5, Chandler.

ville's queen, Miss Ruth Nester, gowned in white, with sparkling jewels on her hands and around her neck, and a crown of sparkling brilliants upon her head. She bowed and smiled to the applause of the crowd all along the line of parade, and there are many people who declare that Boonville should have won the prize.

The float committee was composed of Henry F. Clemens of Cannelton, Mayor Wagner of Jasper, Mayor Luckemeyer of Huntington, Clarence P. Wolfe of New Harmony, Father Columbian Thuis of St. Meinrad and Walter Montgomery, Dr. William E. Welborn, Evansville, and Chas. H. Johnson, Boonville.

They decided that Jasper was the winner of the most beautiful float.

The Queen of the Good Roads selected was Miss Marjorie May Welborn of Cynthiana. A second prize was awarded Miss Evedean Nelson of Huntington. The judges had such a hard time choosing the winner that they had to summon all the queens into executive session. The judges of the most beautiful queen were Miss Clara Smith of Evansville, A. J. Heuring of Winslow, W. D. Crow of Petersburg, Charles T. Baker of Grandview, Floyd Oursler of Cynthiana and John McCormick of Evansville.

There were some comments about Boonville's float being too black, but it had to be black to carry out the idea of coal. The body of the float was covered with black paper upon which were the words "Old King Cole" in the front of the float and "In the Heart of the Coal Fields" under the queen's throne. The lettering was done in red. There were palms and green sprays scattered around the queen's throne. Calvin Dewese was the driver of the float. John Roth and George Powers carried banners in the front and the rear of the float with the following legend: "Boonville Says—Finish 61 to the River."

Yankeetown had a float in the parade, also, and Miss Ethel Hedge of that town was its queen, and she was a very charming one, too. The Yankeetown float was in white and yellow, and had a slogan similar to Boonville. It said: "We want 61 finished from Boonville to Yankee town."

Selvin had a comic part in the parade. It called the Highway Commission's attention to the fact that Selvin wasn't out of the mud and that something should be done about it.

The floats and the decorations of Dale were things that surprised everyone. Indeed they were worthy of any city in the land. It was a day that will long be remembered, and Boonville is glad that it took part in the celebration honoring Albert J. Wedeking, who has done so much for Southern Indiana.

"GOOD NEWS" SPECTACULAR TALKIE VERSION OF STAGE HIT

Principals of Original Musical Comedy Retained for Film Adaptation

"GOOD NEWS," which will open Sunday and Monday at the Forrest theatre, was produced by Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer under direction of Edgar MacGregor and Nick Grinde, with Bessie Love in the featured role.

This is a production of unusual interest, because it brings to the screen the famous Broadway success by Lawrence Schwab and B. G. DeSylva intact with many of the original cast appearing in supporting roles.

Edgar MacGregor, who co-directed, produced the original stage presentation, as well as many other New York hits, including the recent "Desert Song," New "Moon" and "Follow Through." Nick Grinde last was co-director of "The Bishop Murder Case" and has seventy M-G-M talkie short subjects to his directorial credit.

This is Bessie Love's first 100 per cent musical comedy portrayal. She is paired with Gus Shy, the well known stage comedian, who repeats the role he made famous on the stage. Bessie Love and dances in several novel numbers and gives a performance replete with comedy material.

The supporting cast includes Dorothy McNulty, Mary Lawlor and Billy Taft who also were in the stage version of the collegiate musical hit, Miss Lawlor again appearing in the ingenue lead, Miss McNulty featuring the Varsity Drag numbers and Taft playing the freshman part.

Stanley Smith, one of the talking