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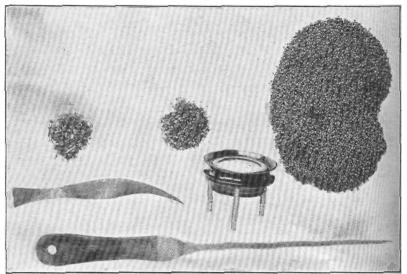


Fig. 45. Small seeds should always be examined for weed seeds and other impurities

HORTICULTURAL DEMONSTRATIONS

With the idea of stimulating interest in fruit growing and giving information as to best methods of making and applying spray mixtures, pruning of trees, etc., horticultural demonstrations were held in several counties of the state.

These meetings were attended by large numbers of people and it is felt that much was accomplished for the growing of more and better fruit.

The meetings were held at Fairmount, Mentone, Culver, Valparaiso, Wolcottville, Huntertown, Centerville, Madison, Seymour, Salem and Rockville, with an attendance of more than 1305 people.

RURAL SCHOOL AGRICULTURE

With the increasing interest in the teaching of agriculture in the rural schools of Indiana, comes an increased demand for help from school teachers. To meet this demand, bulletins have been furnished, weed seed collections have been supplied and other helps given.

In connection with the district short courses, teachers' institutes and other meetings, a two days' course for teachers has been given. The instruction in these courses consisted of practical

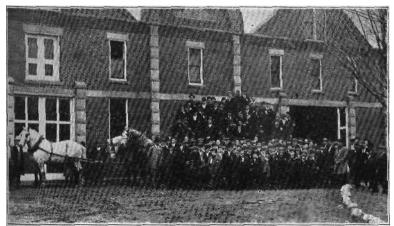


Fig. 46. County corn club boys inspecting and judging horses at the LaFayette Stock Farm

demonstrations of methods of teaching agriculture. This work has been appreciated and has done much to forward the teaching of agriculture in the schools. During the coming year, special attention will be given by this department to teachers who wish to do some agricultural work.

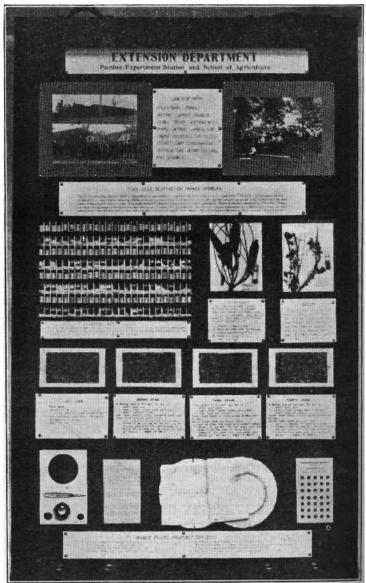
CONTESTS

Contests for young people have been recognized as a valuable medium through which boys and girls may be directly interested in agriculture. Special attention has been given to this movement and large numbers of boys and girls have been enlisted in corn growing, live stock judging, bread baking, sewing, fruit canning and other contests.

The Extension Department is ready to give material aid to the contests in the way of literature, judges, lectures, etc. Organizations interested in this movement should apply for information and help.

UNIVERSITY CALENDAR

Fall entrance examinations begin September 6, 1911 The Four Year Course will begin September 13, 1911 The Farmers' Short Course will be held early in January, 1912 The Winter School of Agriculture will open in January, 1912



One of the 14 boxes of Purdue University county fair exhibit