

Griggs County Fair and Old Settlers' Celebration.

Rain and Unsettled Weather Grooms the Old Settlers and their Picnic Is Spilled. Small Crowds at the Fair.

The Griggs County Fair and the Old Settlers picnic is what might be called a fizzle this year. Rain put a quietus to the picnic Wednesday and a small crowd was present. There were short speeches by old timers then came the ball game which was a hummer. They played only five innings and the umpire declared it a tie, although Knud Thompson solemnly swears that the score was 43 to 2 in favor of Griggs county. In the afternoon Dr. Westley's cubs lined up against the Juniors of the Dazey high school and took their scalps to the tune of 4 to 3.

The first day of the fair opened with threatening weather and a slim crowd. There was a fine auto parade in the morning, the cage of death, which was a good attraction, and the ball game. In the afternoon there were some races for horses owned in Griggs and Steele counties and the ball game. The same program was on tap for the second day. The stock exhibit was the slimmest in the history of the fair E. C. Butler being the only one to exhibit cattle. There was a small sprinkling of horses, some hogs, sheep and chickens. The ladies exhibit was not as large as usual. The Agricultural College had a fine exhibit of grains, etc. There were the usual side shows, etc. The association is a loser, financially.

The four ball games scheduled for the fair were pulled off as per agreement. Two of the games were fine exhibitions of the national game, while the other two were not worth going across the street to see. The morning of the first day Cooperstown and Jessie played, and it was a walk away for the Canaries, the score being 7 to 1. Thor Carlander was in the box for the Canaries and he had the Jessie farmers on his hip all through the game. In the afternoon Hannaford, with about two-thirds of Dazey's Wonders in their line up, and Binford, who had the other third of Dazey's team, had a battle royal, Hannaford shutting out Binford by the score of 4 to 0. Finnigan, Dazey's crack pitcher, flung them over for Hannaford and Thrall, Dazey's other reliable pitcher, dished them up for Binford.

In the morning of the second day, Jessie and Binford played. It was Binford all the way. We left after the fourth inning and the score was 8 to 0 in Binford's favor. We have not been able to find out the final score as the score keeper lost track after the sixth inning. "Smiling" Seivert pitched for Binford and Julius Thorn for Jessie. In the afternoon Hannaford and Cooperstown went at it for first money. Hannaford was lucky in securing a third of Dazey's team