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PIGS GAINING WEIGHT AT RATE OF TWO POUNDS PER DAY

Farmers Who Are Feeding Balanced Rations Are Highly Pleased With Results.

When county Agent J. H. Blackwell bought a car load of shoats a few months ago and took them to the Granville County Test Farm, and with the assistance of Mr. Eugene Moss, fed them a balanced ration, the result was watched with interest by those who desired to better their condition, but there were those who said it was another wild scheme of the "know-alls" down at Raleigh. However, the work progressed and today it stands as a monument to the memory of the man or men who inaugurated the plan of feeding a balanced ration.

Of the 797 pigs brought into the county and placed upon a balanced ration 186 have been fed out and sold. Many of those who saw how simple and inexpensive the plan was adopted the method, with the result that today there are more than 1000 hogs in the county being fed a balanced ration and the good work has spread across the border into adjoining counties.

Among the number in Granville who have tested the balanced ration and are pleased with the results are: W. J. Brummitt, C. H. Cheatham, Willard Brummitt, E. T. Jones, A. D. Hughes, B. E. Dean, B. C. Brane, George Barnes, Alfred Dean, Herman Brooks, U. J. Brooks, G. W. Martin, W. L. Clark, R. C. Watkins, F. Y. Curran, J. C. Curran, Sidney Curran, J. B. Elliott, E. G. Moss, C. G. Daniel, W. K. Wood, Younger Morris, Shirley Critzer, J. L. Suit, N. V. Daniels, J. N. Watkins and G. F. Burnett.

It was the pleasure of this editor of the Public Ledger Wednesday afternoon to accompany Mr. Blackwell, Col. Cooper and Mr. Albert Craws on a short trip out on Route 4 to see a number of shoats that are thriving on a balanced ration.

We were highly impressed with

the 35 shoats that are being fed by Mr. B. F. Dean, who is so favorably known throughout the county. We regret that we did not find Mr. Dean at home, but it is generally known that he is highly pleased with the modern feeding plan. The pigs cause him no worry whatsoever and give him much joy. The shoats have the run of a pasture, help themselves at the feed hopper and wallow in the spring branch.

Mr. Herman Brooks, a neighbor of Mr. B. F. Dean, is feeding 35 pigs and is well pleased with the result. He states that the shoats are getting along so well that they do not give him any concern; that he places the feed into the hopper and then turns his attention to other things.

We found Mr. U. J. Brooks busy in a large tobacco field, but he gladly

accompanied us to the pasture where he is feeding 45 shoats on a balanced ration and 15 the old-style way. There is no comparison in these two lots of shoats. They are the same breed, but those that are fed the old haphazard style are puny and lazy and take on the rate of less than one pound per day, while those that are fed a balanced ration are taking on more than 2 pounds per day. Mr. Brooks has a fine home place and we certainly did enjoy some excellent apples picked fresh from the limb.

We called at the old Jordan home place, two miles out on the Kingston Fork Road, where Mr. A. D. Hughes lives, and where Dr. T. E. White are testing out 40 hogs on balanced rations. They, too, are high-

ly pleased with results, and Mr. Hughes, like Mr. U. J. Brooks, regrets that they did not see the benefits to be derived from a balanced ration earlier in life.—Oxford Ledger.

JUNIOR ORDER MEETINGS
Longhurst Council No. 570 meets every Monday evening 7:30. Come to these meetings, members. Business of importance comes before us often which you should know about.
LEMON OLIVER, Councilor,
O. J. BLUE, Rec. Sec.

Now that dairy farming is assuming its rightful place of importance on North Carolina farms, extension workers are devoting more attention to the kind of cattle being used.

Bar clover has rebuilt the soil of an Edgecombe County farm which tenants would not cultivate rent free.

JUNIOR ORDER MEETING
Roxboro Council No. 121.
Meeting opening at 8 o'clock P. M. All members requested to be present. Visitors of other orders invited.
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