

Raising The Young Calf Requires Special Care

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The high rate of death loss from disease in dairy calves often brings economic disaster to the dairyman. The loss of one or more young calves, or even more so, does not worry the farmer an awful lot at this time since he looks at to be a year old has much greater value and might possibly still be alive and well had the farmer been more careful when the animal was at a tender age. If a few precautions had been followed when these animals were very young, most of them could attain an age where they would be profitable to him.

The veterinarian too frequently has the disadvantage of being consulted after the disease is well established. Preventive medicine produces much better results than the treatment of a young animal with

advanced symptoms of a disease.

The following suggestions although not all applicable to the many varied conditions found on farms in this county are mentioned so that you farmers can get an idea and can possibly follow them as closely as your conditions will permit.

Know the date at which the cow is due to freshen. With winter barn conditions approaching put the cow up in a clean, dry, well bedded stall five days prior to this date. After the calf is dropped in this stall it is permitted to suckle its mother at will for three days. It is quite essential that the calf receive full benefit of the antibodies, vitamins, and laxatives contained in the first milk of the dam after freshening. On the fourth day the calf is removed to a pen of its own which is likewise clean, dry,

well ventilated, and lighted.

This four day old calf is hand fed on warm (100 degree F.) whole milk, one quart night and morning from a bucket. This last is one practice not usually followed. It has two advantages; the constant butting of the calf may aggravate a non-noticeable case of mastitis in the cow and it will prevent the calf from obtaining too much milk. Too much and too rich milk is more harmful than helpful to a new born calf. If the milk contains more than 3.5% butterfat it should be diluted with water. It's always good practice to keep the calf slightly hungry and waiting to be fed. Already at this age the calf is given free access to clean bright hay, water, and calf meal. You'll find it will snuffle around in it without taking any of it in at first and after a week or two of getting accustomed to the solid food it will nibble more and more of it.

When the calf is two weeks old it is placed in a pen with other calves of the same size but care is taken to see that each calf has at least 25 square feet of floor space.

Miss V. Roberts In Germany With The Red Cross

FRANKFURT, Germany — Miss Virginia C. Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Roberts of Tampa, and Waynesville, is at present in the European Theater serving as an Army Hostess for European Theater Special Services which under the guidance of Maj. Gen. A. R. Bolling, is responsible for the recreation and entertainment of occupation troops in the European Theater. Athletics, libraries, motion pictures, service clubs and live shows are just a few of the many Theater Special Services activities.

Miss Roberts attended High School in Tampa and the Western Carolina Teachers College, Cullowhee, and the University of Tampa, where she obtained her B.S. Prior to becoming an Army Hostess she served with the American Red Cross and operated a Clubmobile for the 1st U. S. Army and the 12th Army Group in France and Germany. As an Army Hostess Miss Roberts will direct activities at one of the many service clubs established in the European Theater to provide occupation soldiers with homelike surroundings. The clubs contain reading and writing rooms; lounging rooms; snack bars; games rooms; record players; dance floors; libraries; handicraft shops; and many other facilities for entertainment and recreation.

The second week the whole milk is increased to two quarts night and morning, and the third week to 2½ quarts twice daily. The fourth week this is decreased to 1½ quarts twice daily. This reduction encourages increased consumption of hay and calf meal to the point that milk is discontinued at the end of the fourth week. The calves are continued on an unrestricted diet of calf meal, hay, and water until four months of age when pasture or silage is added. This procedure may sound quite drastic and yet if you'll bear in mind that over-feeding of a young calf rather than underfeeding is more dangerous to its well-being you'll find that the calf will do well. And especially now when all milk is at a premium these suggestions should add to your total income.

GETS A HOT-SEAT

BALTIMORE, Md. — Robert Rhodes, 31, made things hot for him, recently, when, striking a match on the seat of his trousers, ignited the fabric. He suffered first and second degree burns about the hands, legs and back.

Zeb Curtis

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ter. Full information and letter will follow in a few days." Signed Commanding officer of the 5th Squadron.

Ensign Curtis was flying with torpedo Squadron 5, and the group was returning from a practice mission when the wing of the ship behind his interlocked with the wing of his plane. They were reported to have been flying in formation at an altitude of 2,000 feet at the time of the accident.

Both planes dropped into the sea, and Ensign Curtis, pilot of one ship and his radio operator and the radio operator of the other plane were lost. Ensign T. H. Hutchins, pilot of the latter plane, was reported to have been parachuted.

All efforts to locate the wreckage have been unsuccessful, according to latest reports received by the parents of Ensign Curtis. The waters in the area of San Diego Bay are being dragged and diving operations are underway in making every effort to recover the bodies and the wreckage.

Wednesday afternoon the following message came to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis from the commanding officer of the Squadron:

"Protestant memorial services for your beloved son Zeb Walton Curtis, Jr. will be held at the Naval Air Station Chapel, San Diego, Calif. at 9:00 o'clock Friday morning, November 8. Please call me collect, if you have any special instructions."

Ensign Curtis was a native of Waynesville and would have been 22 years old in February, 1942. He was a graduate of the Waynesville Township high school and was active in all phases of the school life. He entered Berea College in the fall of 1942 following his graduation from the local high school.

He soon after volunteered for service in the Naval Air Corps V-5 program and was called to active duty in November, 1943. He was first sent to the University of South Carolina and from there to the Naval Air Base in Miami, Fla. After completing the work at the air base he was sent to the University of Georgia and later to the Memphis Naval Air Base.

He received his wings from the air base at Pensacola, Fla. in October, 1945 and from there transferred to Fort Lauderdale, Fla., for advanced training. He was assigned to duty in Jacksonville, Fla. upon completion of training at the Ft. Lauderdale base. Here he had carrier training aboard the U. S. S. Ranger, after which he was sent to San Diego. He had taken a course in naval law in San Diego.

Dellwood News

By MRS. CREWS MOODY

Mrs. Ned Moody has gone to Florida for a visit to her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ketner attended the game between the University of Tennessee and North Carolina and spent Sunday with their son Harold who is a student at Tennessee Military Institute in Sweetwater, Tenn.

It only as a young calf or pig. However, this same animal when it gets Mr. and Mrs. Sentelle Moody and daughter, Mrs. Clayton Alexander motored to Greenville, S. C. for a visit last week.

Mrs. Mattie Ketner spent the past week end with her sister, Mrs. James Henderson at Philadelphia, Tenn.

Rev. and Mrs. Houser and Mrs. Ralph Kuykendall attended the district meeting of the pastors and presidents of the Women's Societies of Christian Service of the Methodist Church which was held in Waynesville last week.

The Dellwood circle of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet with Mrs. Houser at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon.

The Rev. George Mehaffey is holding a revival at the Baptist Church here. The attendance has been gratifying to the church and the pastor with capacity congregations each night.

Prayer meetings were conducted every night preceding the revival for several nights at the homes of the residents in the community in preparation for the meeting.

WANT ADS

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General Says He'll Give Stolen Hesse Mug Back

FRANKFURT AM MAIN—Major General James M. Bevans, senior staff officer at headquarters of United States Forces, European Theater, said today that he will return a silver beer mug to the German House of Hesse "as soon as I conveniently can." The mug, which also has been described as a pitcher, is supposed to have been among articles looted from Kronberg Castle.

Army headquarters officials announced yesterday that Bevans will be investigated for possessing the mug. Testimony at the trial of Major David F. Watson, of Burlingame, Calif., indicated that it was given to the general by Wac Captain Kathleen Nash Durant, who has been sentenced to five years' imprisonment for her part in the theft of the \$1,500,000 House of

and was in training for duty aboard the Shangri-la, U.S.S. Carrier, to which he had been assigned.

Surviving are the parents; one sister, Mrs. Porter Frady, of Waynesville, one brother, Tommy Curtis of the home; his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Swearingen, of Byron, Ga., his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Curtis, of Young-Harris, Ga., three uncles, Edgar Curtis, of Greensboro, George Swearingen, of Waynesville and Asheville and Mason Swearingen, of Raleigh.

Committees

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matter over the phone from there told The Mountaineer that much interest was being shown by officials of the company, and Waynesville citizens there, in the plans for honoring Mr. Ferguson, now chairman of the board, and former president of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock company.

Mr. Ferguson plans to fly from his home in Newport News, and will arrive here the morning of the 20th.

French Child Paraders Clamor For Chocolate

PARIS—Because they did not get their October chocolate ration several hundred children, aged six to eighteen, paraded recently in the little town of Pontarlier, 200 miles southeast of Paris.

Shouting, "We want our chocolate!" they marched through the main streets of the town, and then besieged the subprefecture. The subprefecture assured them they will get their half-pound of chocolate next week.

Hesse jewels. Watson was sentenced to three years; Mrs. Durant's husband, Colonel Jack W. Durant, is awaiting trial.

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