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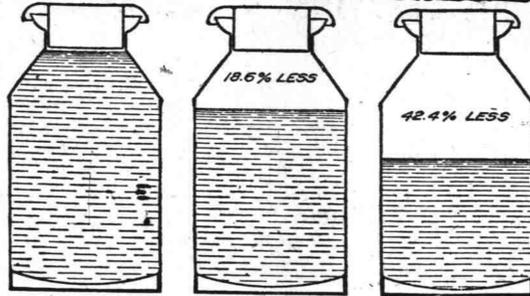
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CATTLE TICK IS COSTLY TO THE SOUTH



Milk From Tick-Free Cows. From Cows With Few Ticks. From Cows With Many Ticks.

A very large area in the South has already been freed from the tick, but twice as much still remains to be cleaned. The edict has gone forth—the tick must go, and go at once if the South is to enjoy anything like its legitimate share of prosperity.

Ticky cattle are worth anywhere from \$5 to \$10 a head less than tick-free cattle, but because it is impossible to introduce purebred stock into tick-infested territory for the purpose of grading up the herds, the difference between the average value of cattle in the tick states and in the free states is much greater than this. On January 1 of this year, for example, the average price of beef cattle over two years old in ten tick-infested states—North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas—was \$29.90. For the remainder of the country it was \$48.47. In Georgia and Florida the price was only \$18, in Alabama \$20, in Mississippi \$22, in Louisiana \$24. With the exception of Vermont and Tennessee, where the averages were \$39 and \$35, respectively. Every tick-free state had an average of \$40 or more. Eighteen states were over \$50.

Tick-infested cattle not only weigh less—and therefore are worth less—than tick-free cattle, but they bring less per pound. In Alabama and Mississippi on January 1 the average price was four cents. In Connecticut it was 8.4 cents, and in no free states was it as low as five cents. The hides of the ticky cattle are damaged, and such hides cannot be used for making a fine grade of leather, therefore the market price for hides from ticky cattle is much reduced. From 50 cents to \$1.25 is the average loss in value of tick-bitten hides.

Dairy cattle suffer no less than beef stock, for the tick gets the blood that should go to the making of milk. Government tests show that a light infestation of ticks reduces the milk flow 18 per cent; a heavy one as much as 42 per cent. Translate this loss into dollars and cents for a herd of 20 cows, which under normal conditions should each give eight quarts a day. With milk at five cents per quart a light infestation costs the owner of such a herd \$290 in the course of 200 days' milking. A heavy infestation costs him \$670. In a county where systematic tick eradication work is under way he could dip his herd, free them from ticks and save this loss for a total expenditure that would certainly be no more than \$10.

This is not mere theory; it has been proved in actual practice. One dairyman's experience is typical. He owned 42 ticky cows, gave them one dipping and a week afterwards found that he had 16.6 per cent more milk. The daily revenue from the herd was increased \$3.50.

For all the evils that the tick causes there is a very simple remedy—an arsenical bath.

The work must, however, be systematic and comprehensive. An undipped herd is a menace to all the dipped ones. For this reason the best results are obtained when a county, having once voted to undertake eradication, thereafter enforces rigidly the necessary regulations. To aid it in organizing its campaign and in supervising the construction of the vat and the dipping of the cattle, the United States department of agriculture supplies experienced specialists; the county or cattle owners build the vats and furnish the arsenic.

SAFE FARMING RULES

Recommendations Made by Department of Agriculture.

Measures Will Steady Whole System and Be of Benefit to Both Individual and Community—Cotton Comes in at End.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Six measures for safe farming in the South are recommended by the United States department of agriculture in a recent circular. No matter what the price of cotton may be, it is said, these measures will steady the whole system and be of benefit both to the individual and the community. The program recommended is as follows:

First. Produce a home garden for every family on the farm, the year round, paying special attention to a plot of Irish or sweet potatoes. Where feasible, have a patch of sorghum or other cane to produce sirup for the family.

Second. Produce the corn necessary to support all of the people on the farm and the live stock, with absolute safety.

Third. Produce the necessary oats and other small grain to supplement the corn as food. Pay attention to winter grazing.

Fourth. Produce hay and forage from some forage crop, sufficient to supply all of the live stock on the farm. Use legumes such as clover, cowpeas, velvet beans, soy beans and alfalfa for the production of hay and to enrich the soil with nitrogen and humus.

Fifth. Produce the meat necessary to supply the people through increased attention to poultry and hogs, especially. Plan to increase gradually the number of cattle and other live stock so as to have a sufficient number to consume the waste products of the farm and make the waste lands productive.

Sixth. After all of these things have been amply provided for, produce cotton for the market.

Wonderful Feed for Hogs.
Alfalfa is a wonderful feed for hogs when fed in combination with some grain. Alfalfa alone as a hog feed does not give good results except perhaps for mature sows as they run on pasture after weaning the pigs. To get good gains on growing pigs in an alfalfa pasture, they should be fed from one and a half to two pounds of grain for every hundred-weight of live hog, corn being ideal for this purpose.

Supply of Nitrogen.
Nitrogen is the most expensive ingredient of fertilizers. It is believed that the cheapest means of supplying it is by growing clover and plowing it under green, or by feeding the stock and returning the manure.

RAISING CATTLE FOR MARKET

Half the Disease, Death and Misanagement is Traceable to Incomplete Attendance.

(By W. H. DALRYMPLE, Louisiana Experiment Station.)

From the day the calf is born until the day the matured animal is consigned to the butcher, the rule to be observed should be: Continuous progression and no retrogression.

One authority has made the statement that "half the disease, death and mismanagement amongst animals, and especially cattle, is traceable to insufficient and incompetent attendance." And another, in describing the qualifications of a good cattleman, says: "A good cattleman makes his business a hobby, takes pleasure in his work, studies the comfort, likes and dislikes of each animal under his charge and does for them, of his own accord, what no amount of instruction or supervision could insure. He readily detects when anything is amiss with an animal, and he knows when to give and when to withhold, when the food should be increased and when reduced, etc."

Men of this class are what are needed in the business of either raising cattle or fattening them for the market with the greatest assurance of success. No doubt they are to be had; in fact, I feel reasonably certain that they can be secured, but not locally. They will have to come from other sections of the country for the present, at least, where they have had the practical experience in just this sort of work.

BEST FEED FOR BROOD SOWS

Equal Parts of Corn and Wheat Shorts Is Recommended by Expert of the Texas Station.

(By JOHN C. BURNS, Texas Experiment Station.)

One of the best rations that can be used for a sow suckling pigs is equal parts by weight of corn and wheat shorts made into a slop with skim milk, using two pounds of milk for every pound of the grain mixture. If skim milk is not available a good ration may be formed by using the proportions by weight of three parts wheat shorts and one part corn made into a thick slop with water.

Another good ration may be formed by using the proportions by weight of seven parts corn and one part tankage or meat meal. If available at lower prices ground kafir, maize or feterita may be substituted for the corn in each of the rations. The same rations are also well suited for young pigs from the time they are old enough to eat until they are four or five months old, when such foods as shorts and tankage may be gradually reduced, though they should not be cut out entirely, unless some other feed relatively rich in protein is used to supplement the grain.

Three or four weeks after farrowing, green pasture should constitute a portion of the ration for both sow and pigs if the best results are obtained.

DISTINCTLY A "WAR BABY"

Kitten's String of Names Left No Doubt as to the Sympathies of Its Owner.

A certain little Philadelphia girl is distinguished chiefly by her fondness for cats and kittens, which she much prefers to dolls.

Several days ago she was sitting on the sunny steps of the front porch, tenderly nursing on her lap a coal-black kitten; very small as yet, but sturdy and full of promise.

"What a pretty kitten!" remarked a neighbor in passing. "What do you call him, my dear?"

"I call him Allies," was the reply. "Allies! I think you must mean Alice, do you not?" suggested the lady with a smile.

"Oh, no, not Alice! His name is Allies," corrected the child. "His right name," proudly, "is George Albert Nicholas Peter Victor Emmanuel Joffre; but father says that is a heavy load for such a little fellow to carry, so I call him Allies for short!"

As the lady proceeded up the street, she heard a childish voice say tenderly: "Come, Allies, we must go in. It is time for you to have your rations."

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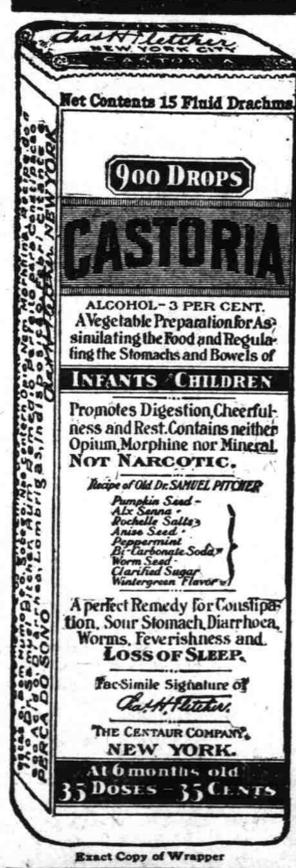
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