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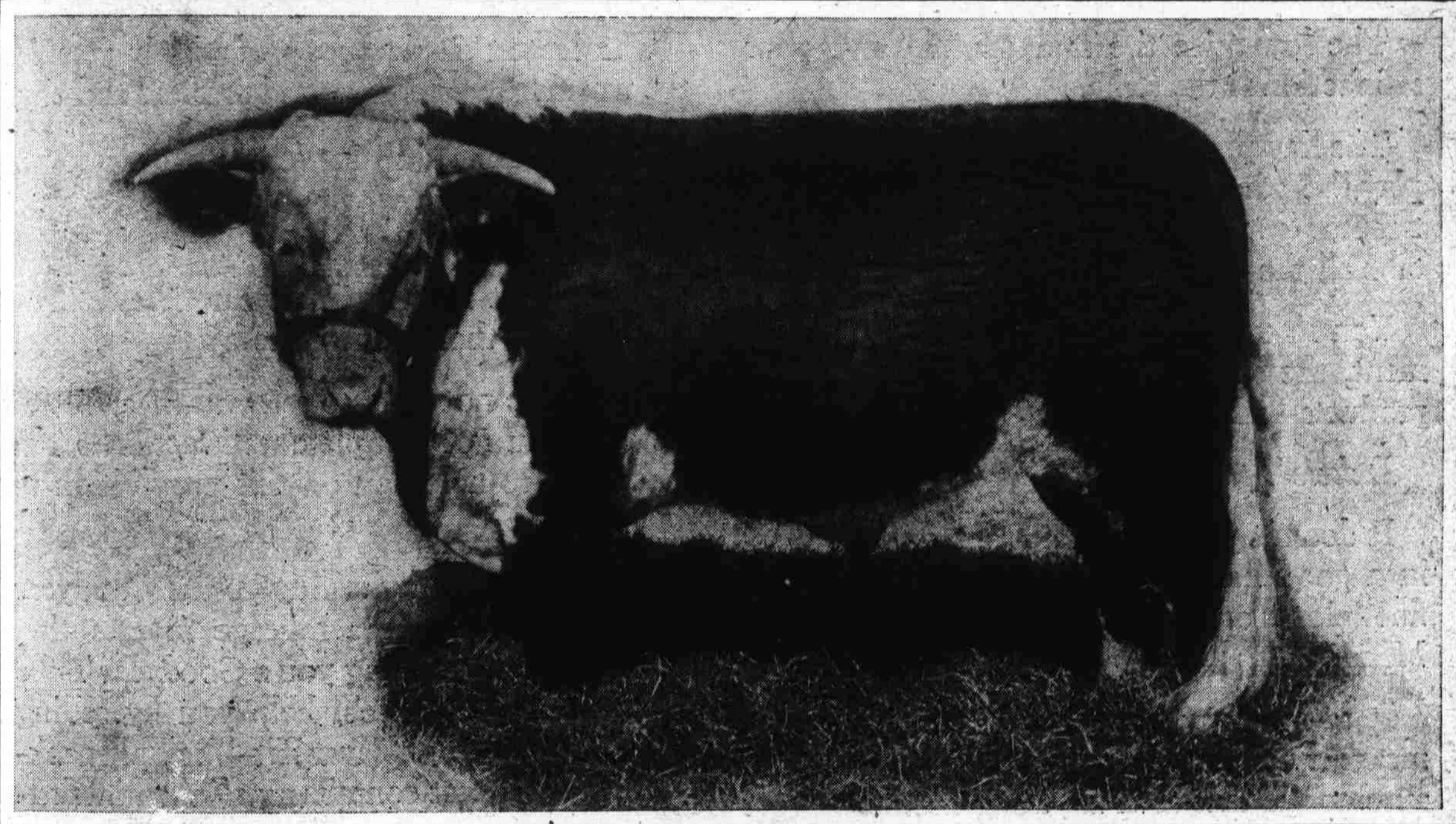
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FEEDS AND FEEDERS MUST COME FIRST IN LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION

THE production of livestock in the South waits on the production of feeds and stockmen. Feeds and feeders, how to produce them, is the livestock problem of the South. The growing of feeds, while it requires less time and is less difficult

is no money in hog raising, because of the high price of corn, profitable livestock production clearly resolves itself into a question of larger and more economical production of feed crops. But the real problem, on the solution of which the development of



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Raising Such Animals Requires Men Who, From Study and Experience, Know the Livestock Business

than the training of stockmen, is by no means an easy task. Profitable livestock production is based on the growing of large yields of feed crops at relatively low cost. Large yields result only from rich soils, while the economical production of feedstuffs is based on both large yields and good business methods. While it is true that livestock afford a market for feedstuffs, thus furnishing an economical means of maintaining soil fertility, still the economical production of feeds and consequently the economical production of livestock depend on a rich soil. Poor soils produce poor livestock. Too much importance cannot be attached to the production of large crops of feedstuffs in developing the livestock industry of the South. When dairymen getting twenty cents a gallon net for milk, wholesale, complain that they cannot make any money, because of the high price of feeds; and when hog raisers getting nine cents to ten cents a pound for live hogs complain that there

the livestock industry of the South depends, is the production of stockmen—men who can and will grow the feeds economically and then can and will care for and feed the livestock intelligently. If livestock men are not born, like the poets, they at least must begin to learn the business early in life. The livestock farmer is the highest type of farmer, because he must be able to produce crops as economically and successfully as the producer of so-called money crops, and he must also know how to breed, feed and care for his livestock, in addition.

"The eye of the master fattens his cattle." The men who live on the farms of the South may be able to produce the feed crops economically and raise the efficient stockmen required; but the farmer by proxy will not do so. More attention to the growing of feed crops and more attention to the training of farm boys into stockmen are the foundation stones which must be well laid before we can build a successful livestock industry.

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