

Virginia News Notes.

Live Stock Sanitary Boards of 40 States Hold Important Meeting in Richmond—What the Meeting Did and Other Items of Interest.

Veterinarians from forty States met at Murphey's Hotel in Richmond, Va., on Monday and Tuesday, September 16th-17th, to discuss the best methods of controlling infectious and contagious diseases among live stock. The meeting of the "Inter-State Association of Live Stock Sanitary Boards" was a most successful one. Congressman John Lamb made the address of welcome. President D. F. Lucky, of Missouri, occupied the chair. State Veterinarian, Dr. J. G. Ferneyhough, who was instrumental in bringing the Convention to Virginia, presented Captain Lamb to the assembly. After the address of welcome, a strong speech was made by Dr. J. H. McNeill, of Iowa, on the subject of "State Control of Hog Cholera."

The principal address on Tick Eradication was made by Dr. Tait Butler, of North Carolina, who was followed by Drs. J. G. Ferneyhough, of Virginia, and Allen, of the Indian Territory. This discussion was one of the most interesting of the meeting, and plans for the eradication of the tick were discussed at length.

Important Resolutions.

Many other important subjects were discussed, and among the resolutions made and adopted are the following:

Meat Inspection.—Resolved, That it is the sense of this Association that the different States should organize and put in effective operation a system of meat inspection for the protection of local consumers of the same character and efficiency of the present Federal inspection, intended for the protection of the consumers of meat products, which go into Inter-State traffic.

Milk Inspection.—Resolved, That this Association urge upon all State authorities and the public generally the absolute necessity of State supervision of the milk supply, and further, that we recommend that all States pass laws requiring the testing of all dairy cows with tuberculin.

Tick Eradication.—Resolved, by the Live Stock Sanitary Boards of the United States, in Convention assembled, That the appropriation made for carrying on the work by the United States Congress for the next fiscal year should be increased to an amount commensurate with the magnitude and importance of the work to be done, which, in our opinion, should not be less than \$500,000, and we respectfully urge the United States Secretary of Agriculture, and the Congressmen of our respective States to use their best efforts to obtain such congressional appropriation.

Hog Cholera.—Resolved, That we call the attention of the sanitary authorities of each State, and of the National Government, to the fact that these diseases are assuming such importance that their eradication can only be accomplished by the combined and concerted action of all sanitary authorities, and we urge that such steps be taken as will insure perfect co-operation of such authorities, to the end that these diseases may eventually be wiped out.

Other Resolutions—Officers Elected.

Further resolutions were adopted thanking the press for properly reporting the meeting, Congressman John Lamb for his address of welcome, Dr. Ferneyhough for his effort to make the Convention the great success it was, and Colonel John Murphey for the use of the Convention Hall.

Among other papers read was one

by Dr. Rice Steadman, Chief of the Division of Inspection Bureau of Animal Industry of the United States, on "What Has Been Accomplished in the Way of Tick Eradication." Dr. Austin Peters, of Massachusetts, submitted one on the "State Control of Rabies," and Dr. Ferneyhough spoke at length on the same subject.

In the election of officers for the ensuing year the following gentlemen were chosen: President, Dr. C. G. Lamb, Denver, Col.; Vice President, Judge S. W. Hudson, Missouri; Secretary and Treasurer, Dr. E. C. Colton, Minnesota.

Peanut Growers Organize.

The American Peanut Growers' Association will meet at the Convention Hall, Norfolk, Va., September, 26th-27th for the purpose of adopting measures relative to increasing the scope of the organization. The two most important objects of the Convention will be—

First. To discuss the peanut as a crop, its cultivation and its importance as a commercial product.

Second. An effort to induce all peanuts growers in the country to join the Association, and to discuss plans for getting more equitable prices for the crop.

Smyth Brothers, of Norfolk, Move to Richmond.

Contracts have been awarded for the erection of the big stock yards to be used by Smyth Brothers, the well-known horsemen of Norfolk, Va. Work will be carried on as rapidly as possible. The style of the firm will be known as the Southern Stock Yards Company.

It is safe to predict that this company will give a great impetus to the horse and mule business of Richmond, and it is expected that with their fine business methods, combined with push and enterprise, they will make the city a great distributing point for horses and mules.

J. M. BELL.

Richmond, Va.

Tobacco Growers of Bertie and Hertford.

Messrs. Editors: The meetings announced to be held in Bertie and Hertford, were addressed by Mr. J. O. W. Gravely, grand lecturer of the Tobacco Growers' Protective Association, on September 13th and 14th.

Mr. Gravely spoke straight from the shoulder and his words went to the hearts of his hearers and produced the right kind of effect. Where he goes you may be sure the farmers are going to do what he says, and when they do that they will be doing what ought to have been done the same week that the trust influences formed their combination and went out with a high hand to oppress the farmers.

The farmers of Bertie and Hertford seem to be determined to fight for their rights and privileges in the commercial world, and no longer to be the victims of graft and greed. They now confess the only way to reach the goal of their ambition is through and by organization, and they are flocking to their clubs.

The spirit among the farmers now is to get together and demand a price for what they produce and not give it away, or let some fellow give what pleases him best.

The Progressive Farmer has been a great factor in bringing about this movement, and I am proud of the good old paper.

S. B. ADAMS.

Bertie Co., N. C.

EASTERN RURAL CARRIERS.

Hold an Interesting and Largely Attended Meeting in Wilmington—Preparing for State Meeting May 30th.

One of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings of the Eastern North Carolina Rural Letter Carriers' Association was that held recently in Wilmington.

All the officers were present, as follows: R. F. Gore, president; W. T. Robbins, vice president, and D. J. Ward, secretary-treasurer, and the following were in attendance: Messrs. L. B. Carr, C. H. Rivenbark, J. H. Evans, Wallace; J. H. Fussell, S. L. Bradshaw, Rose Hill; G. W. Cooper, G. H. Faison, Faison; C. F. Matthews, Watha; F. B. Orr, M. H. Pridgen, C. N. Pridgen, Currie; J. W. Russ, Wilmington; E. D. Pearsall, Rocky Point, and S. T. Meares, Clarkton.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the chaplain, J. H. Fussell. The expenses of Delegate D. J. Ward for his trip to the State Convention were subscribed by the members in attendance and given to him. The report of Mr. Ward concerning that convention was read and adopted.

Great interest was manifested in the preparations for the next annual Convention of the State Association, which will be held in this city next year and a committee was appointed to look after the general arrangements for that gathering, the committee being as follows: Messrs. R. F. Gore, chairman; J. W. Russ, W. T. Robbins, D. J. Ward and E. D. Pearsall.

The Convention will be held on the 30th of next May, this date having been decided on.

A resolution of thanks was offered to the Elks for the use of their hall as a meeting place for the Association, and to the Wilmington papers for courtesies shown.

Other matters of more or less interest to the members, were discussed, after which the meeting adjourned.

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