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General Offices:

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Feed Questions Asked by Raisers of Stock

Wide Range of Problems
From Many States.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

The recent work of the United States Department of Agriculture and co-operating states to improve the methods of feeding live stock has stimulated interest in all parts of the country and feeding problem blanks sent to many farmers have been filled out and sent in for replies. A survey made last summer showed that a large percentage of stock raisers and feeders have many puzzling problems and that most of them are searching for better and more economical rations.

A few of the early inquiries received as a result of this new service offered to farmers show a wide range of problems from scattered states. A Maryland farmer asked for good rations for brood sows and growing pigs. Although he had been keeping hogs for eight years, ear corn was practically the only feed used. The department's reply pointed out the principles of successful swine feeding and called attention to the need for good pastures, mineral mixtures, and a well-balanced grain ration. A Kentucky cattle feeder submitted the rations he had been using for finishing for both the spring and fall markets and received suggestions which should save him money the coming year.

Among the other problems the department has helped to solve are the making of dairy rations where certain feeds commonly used are not available; the addition of more desirable crops in the farm rotation; feeding boar pigs to be sold for breeding purposes; the saving of grain by use of other roughages; and many more. Requests for assistance have come from Alabama, Colorado, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Utah, Vermont, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

Future of Civilization Depends Upon Highways

The future of civilization, of material, moral and educational progress in America depends upon the highways, says the Manufacturers' Record, in a recent number, which is largely devoted to a discussion of the highway question.

"Bad highways—mud or deep sand roads—spell backwardness. Good highways make certain the advancement of religion, education and wealth.

"Bad highways will drive men and women from the farms into cities, thus reducing the number of food producers and increasing the number of mouths to be fed from a steadily diminishing food supply. That road leads straight to anarchy and Bolshevism, for a decreasing food supply and increasing population congestion breeds discontent, poverty and ultimately anarchy.

"The good highway is the straight road that opens the way to better schools, better religious activities in country churches, better dwellings, and that means better homes, more contentment on the farms, larger food production, with more profit justly earned by the grower and yet a lower cost to the consumer.

"On one side—the safety of civilization, increased food supply and the rounding of the nation's life; on the other side—civilization endangered, food riots a certainty of the future, with a nation sunk in its own bottomless mudholes, sometimes called roads."

Simple Laying Rations Give Good Egg Results

Just as good results can be obtained with a simple mash containing three or four ground grains and meat scrap as from a highly complicated mash containing ten or twelve products, say government poultry feeders. Good production and profitable returns from laying hens are the result of properly balanced rations.

Some simple mixtures of home-grown grains supplemented with meat scraps or milk are: One part oats and two parts cracked corn for scratch feed; the mash to consist of three parts cornmeal and one part meat scrap. A fair amount of green feed should go with the above combinations.

About 6.7 pounds of feed are required to produce a dozen eggs with general-purpose pullets, while egg-laying breeds require about 4.8 pounds. Old hens use a much larger amount of feed to produce a dozen eggs than do pullets.

Dehorning Calves, While Young Is Proper Scheme

It is probably better to dehorn the calves than to wait until maturity, but if a cow is particularly troublesome in the herd, as they are occasionally found to be, they probably will suffer less from having their horns removed than the other members of the herd will suffer from allowing them to remain.

Compactly Built Lambs Command Highest Price

A prime fat lamb weighing 85 pounds commands the highest market price. The blocky, compactly built, lamb is the one that will make the most desirable finished lamb in the shortest time. Whole barley, kafir, milo, feterita, and shelled corn have practically the same feeding value pound for pound for fattening.

TRY STAR WANT ADS

Pure Bred Sires Gaining Headway

Twelve Thousand Farmers
Now Pledged to Use Only
Improved Stock.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Farmers who have joined the "Better Sires Better Stock" campaign, and by so doing pledged themselves to use only pure bred sires of any kind on their farms, now number more than 12,000, according to the latest figures published by the United States Department of Agriculture. This campaign was begun by various states and the department four years ago and has been gaining headway ever since. During the sixteenth quarter of



Pure Bred Beef Heifer.

this period, the three months ending September 30, 469 persons enrolled from 11 states. Each farmer who signs the pledge lists the numbers of different kinds of live stock owned, and the records now show that those taking part in this movement for live stock improvement own nearly 500,000 animals and close to 1,000,000 head of poultry.

States With Largest Membership.
The states now having the largest membership are Ohio, with 2,758; Virginia, with 2,227; Kentucky, with 1,508; and Nebraska, with 1,439. Kentucky and Vermont made the largest gains in the last three months. The counties making the best showings in this period were Windsor county, Vermont, and Union county, Kentucky, but Pulaski county, Virginia, is still far in the lead of all counties with a membership of 578 farmers and breeders. During the last quarter 20 new members were added in this county.

The records kept by the Department of Agriculture show some interesting facts concerning the live stock owned by those who have signed the pledges. All the males kept must be pure bred, but females may be pure bred, crossbred, grade or scrub. There are more pure bred females among the



A Scrub Female.

swine kept than in any other kind of animals listed—62.9 per cent. Cattle come second in this respect. As high as 72 per cent of the males are grades; sheep come next in this respect. Only 1 per cent of the swine are classed as scrubs; 1.2 per cent of the sheep; 3.3 per cent of the cattle; and 4.1 per cent of horses. These figures, it must be remembered, apply only to those farms where nothing but pure bred sires are used.

Sign of Identification.
Many of the farms of the members of the "Better Sires—Better Stock" campaign may be identified from the highway by a sign, supplied by the department, which bears the words "Pure Bred Sires Exclusively Used on This Farm." Each sign bears the owner's membership number.

A list of the officials in the various states who have charge of the better-sires activities has been compiled and may be obtained from the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

Study Silo Question.
Study the silo question. A silo saves feed and provides succulence. Silage will carry the stock cattle through in better shape than hay alone, and for winter dairying silage is an absolute necessity.

TRY STAR WANT ADS.

DAIRY HINTS

Device to Prevent Cow From Sucking Herself

It is annoying to say the least when a cow contracts the habit of robbing her own dairy and how best to stop the vice is a problem. In some instances where a cow shows a marked shrink in milk and is not seen to suck herself we have found that the robbing was being done by a calf, or even a yearling, on pasture. The usual treatment in such a case is to put a spiked halter on the robber calf, says a writer in the Successful Farming. Such a contrivance is objectionable in that injuries to the udder may result. The better plan is to prevent the thieving calf from getting at the cow. In another instance campers on the lake at the far side of the farm were doing the robbing, so investigation is necessary in all such cases.

When a cow sucks herself there are various methods of prevention, each of which has its advocates. We have often had good results from simply putting an old horse collar upside down on the cow's neck. A "necklace" of pointed lath or small pickets as shown in the illustration proves effective. It is made as follows: Take six pieces of round, light wood about twelve inches long and one and one-half inches in diameter, or pieces of strong lath of similar length, and with small cord passed through holes bored



"Necklace" Prevents Cow From Sucking Herself.

in the round sticks, or tied around the lath, weave them to form an open fence-like necklace to be placed around the cow's neck and secured there by tying together the free ends of the cords. When the cow turns to suck herself the sticks will prevent. Another good plan is to place a strong halter on the neck and a surcingle around the body just behind the elbows. Then put a snap-hook in one end of a piece of fork or broom handle and a ring in the other. Now snap the hook into the hanging ring of the halter, pass the stick between the forelegs and attach the ring in its end to the surcingle, or pass the rope or strap of the surcingle through the ring of the stick. This will stop self-sucking but not prevent eating.

A simpler plan is to put a bull ring in the cow's nose and hang another ring from the first one. That usually works well. If not, then put a common straight bit in the mouth and hold it loosely in place by means of a halter. One man suggests greasing the teeth with lard and then sprinkling freely with red pepper. That discourages the cow from sucking herself or being sucked by a calf. A somewhat cruel preventive measure is to put some hog rings in the cow's lips and the latest suggestion, which we do not care to recommend, is to put the rings in the tip of the cow's tongue.

The old-fashioned plan of splitting the cow's tongue for a distance of one and one-half to two inches from its tip has of recent years been improved upon by trained veterinarians who perform the operation according to modern methods of surgery and in such a way as to prevent undue suffering and insure against infection.

Superior Formula Given to Treat Garget in Cow

Garget often causes considerable loss in the herd. When an animal is found to be suffering from this trouble she should be milked after the remainder of the herd, as the disease may be carried on the hands. After milking, the hands should be washed with a good disinfectant. Milk from the diseased quarters should not be milked on the floor, but into a pail and disposed of, cows suffering from it may be treated with the following mixture, recommended by the Purdue university dairy department.

Mix eight ounces of vaseline, eight ounces of wool fat, two fluid ounces belladonna, two fluid ounces extract poke root; warm and mix. Massage udder thoroughly. Feed one tablespoonful of powdered poke root and one tablespoonful of saltpeter three feeds, stop three feeds and continue again if necessary. Diseased cows should be isolated from the rest of the herd.

Cause of Slimy Milk.
Slimy orropy milk is caused by germs that get into the milk after it has been drawn from the cow. It is especially prevalent where cows have access to low, wet pasture, also where cows have access to muddy water.

Sugar Beets for Milk.
Sugar beets are somewhat more valuable for milk production than are mangels. That is, a hundred pounds of sugar beets contain more digestible nutrients than do 100 pounds of mangels.

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