REVIEW AND OBJECTS OF COUNTY AGENT'S WORK.

TOPICS OF TALK OF COUNTY AGENT, HORACE B. DERRICK BEFORE FARM BUREAU

DUTIES OF COUNTY AGENT

a. More than personal service.

b. Must strike at fundamentals, agricultural problems.

PRIMARY OBJECTS FARM BUREAU

a. To work for the best interests of its members.

b. To be effective—it must strike at fundamentals, agricultural problems.

COOPERATION

a. Working together to accomplish the task that should be done.

PROGRAM

a. Analyize situation.

b. Decide what we could do to better conditions.

c. Make plan as to how we would do it.

Accomplishments during 1926

DAIRYING

FEEDING PROBLEM

Held meetings at Millington, Massey, Kennedyville, Still Pond, Worton, Chestertown, Fairlee, and Rock Hall, where Extension Dairy Specialist led discussions on Dairy Rations and Agronomy Specialist on growing dairy feeds, specially legumes. 152 Kent dairymen took part in these meetings.

Here we are striking a fundamental problem for Kent farmers—Dairy Cattle Feeding.

SOIL ACIDITY TESTING CAMPAIGN

The Board of Directors Kent County Farm Bureau and several others served as committee. $300.—was appropriated by Kent County Farm Bureau to finance project.

County School Supt., was interviewed for coop. of schools, which was secured.

County Agent demonstrated to committee how to take soil samples.

Committee visited all schools and demon., to High School and 7th grade pupils how to take samples. Containers and instruction sheets were left at schools and committee collected soil samples from schools and brought to K. C. F. B., office Chestertown.

957 Soil samples were tested at Washington College Chemistry Laboratories during Easter holidays. The remaining 349 samples were tested by the Soils Dept., Md. Experiment Station and by the County Agent.

Cards were sent farmers for each field sampled, advising the degree of acidity and giving the amount of lime required per acre to neutralize the soil.

1,306 Kent Co., Agri., fields were tested 306 more than goal set represented 30,952 acres with total lime requirement of 42,179,050 pounds CaCo3.

This is 20,504 tons of lime or 1,025 car loads of 20 tons per acre and would make a train that would reach 8 miles long or about from Chestertown to Kennedyville. And these recommendations are chemically correct.

We have records to show 612 tons of lime were spread on 1,129 acres during 1926. We expect the bulk of these recommendations to be made during 1927. The average lime require per acre was 1,357 pounds CaCo3 per acre.

TOMATOES

1. Conducting of 3 community tomato plant beds that put out 446,050 good quality tomato plants to Kent farmers.

2. Tomato Tour—On which we visited variety test plots on farm of L. A. Sutton by Stanley Sutton and variety test plots on experiments farm at Ridgley and saw demonstration of tomato grading.

SEED WHEAT TREATING

1. Put on method Demostrations in seven communities before 116 farmers of treating seed wheat with copper carbonate for covered smut.

2. Result—44 Kent County Farmers treated their wheat with CaCo3 dust, using 600 lbs. of dust, treating 3,960 bu., wheat, which seeded 2,640 acres.

POULTRY

1. Culling Stressed—17 Poultry Culling Demstrations were given with over 200 in attendance. Reports rec'd show that Kent Poultrymen culled 6,607 chickens this fall.

Here again we strike a fundamental problem and demonstrate a practice which we believe will become a routine part of the poultry industry of Kent County.

4H CLUB WORK

The Kent County, Farm Bureau contributed $25 towards the European trip of the champion U. S. Dairy Cattle Judging Team, which was a Maryland Team, one of the Team, Stanley B. Sutton, being from Kent County.

Since that trip Kent also won first place in the State Club Dairy Cattle Judging Contest, and 2 Kent Club Members made the State Team and at the National Dairy Show, in competition with 21 other States won 2nd honors.

The Kent 4H Poultry Club also won State honors this year in its initial appearance in Poultry Judging. More effort and cooperation in 4H Club Work would be profitable to Kent County.

I have only touched our major projects—Time will not permit mentioning accomplishments with minor projects for 1926.

According to estimates the following increase in revenue for Kent Kent County could be realized if every one would lime in accordance with the results shown by the lime test.

Corn—3 bu. per acre—$1.80 or $55,713.60 for the county.

Wheat—3 bu., per acre—$2.50 or $77,380 for the county.

Hay—½ ton per acre—$10 or $309,520 for the county.

Pasture—½ ton per acre—$6 or $185,712 for the county.

KENNEDYVILLE

Mrs. Othoson, Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Kennedy and Mrs. Mollie Archinbald and daughter motored to Wilmington on Tuesday.

Mrs. John Rollison, Mr. George Johnston, Miss Lula Van Dyke and Mr. James VanDyke are on the sick list.

Miss Elizabeth Hurlock spent a part of the week with her parents.

Miss Sue Johnston, of Washington, was called home on Sunday by the illness of her mother.

Miss Anna Caldwell spent the week end with her parents.

Mr. Lawton Grover and Miss Emma Boyd, of Philadelphia, were married January 29 at 5 . m. Immediately after the ceremony the Bridal Party left for the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Atwell near Kennedyville with their attendants. Miss Alice Grover maid of honor, Mr. Earl Gibson best man and brother and cousin of the of the bride, Mr. Howard Boyd and Miss Rebie Shisler the trip was a success until arriving in Kennedyville where they turned on dirt road leading to Mr. Atwells they found a March thaw. Both cars were stranded and at eleven p. m. they were found by Mr. and Mrs. Roger Kennedy who notified Mr. Atwell after then an unusual scene was the bride in the wagon with Mr. Kennedy while the groom rode behind in his car. They all arrived about 2 p. m., where they were served with refreshments consisting of chicken salad, Maryland biscuit, Coffee, ice cream and cake.

Miss Hanna and Miss Lizzie Scotten and Mrs. Crawford attended the golden and Silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Vansant and Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson in Chestertown on Sunday.

Mr. Norman Pennington of the agriculture College spent several days with his parents near town.

Mr. Bobby Kennedy and Mr. Lloyd Kennedy have returned after a few days visit in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Dukes and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Kennedy entertained at cards on Thursday and Friday evening of last week.

Miss Emma Shafer entertained the Embrodary Club on Thursday.

Mrs. Nat Johnston, of Middletown, visited Mrs. James Weer a part of last week.

Mrs. John Rollison is quite sick at the home of her sister, Mrs. Kendall in Chestertown.

WORTON

Mrs. George Williams visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Van Dyke at Kennedyville Wednesday.

Mrs. L. C. Randall is visiting Wilmington relatives.

Mrs. C. P. Crowdng and little daughter is visiting her parents at Betterton.

Mrs Mary Hardman, of Philadelphia who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Anthony has returned home.

Miss Dollie Crew who has been spending sometime with her sister, Mrs. C. R. Rasin is visiting her brother, Mr. Clayton Crew, of Wilmington.

Miss Sarah Carter is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Pennington, of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Lester Stevenson, of Wilmington, was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Nichols.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Rash are spending sometime with their daughters, Mrs. Howard Carter and Mrs. Barney Cooper, of Wilmington.

Mrs. G. E. Nichols is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. B. Colgain, of Denton.

Mr. H. E. Cooper spent a few days this week with his son, Mr. G. N. Cooper, of Chestertown.

Mrs. Carroll Loller who has been suffering with tonsilitis is better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Duyer spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Marion Rash.

Miss Clara Duyer is quite sick with the grippe.

GALENA

Mr. Wm. Lusby, of Wilmington, spent a few days of last week with his aunt, Mrs. Josephine Cannan.

Mr. and Mrs. Jennings Blackston, of Chester, Pa., spent Sunday with her grand father, Mr. Wm. Starr.

Mrs. Carroll and son, Wm., of Cape Charles, Va., spent part of last week with Rev. and Mrs. Ivenhoe Willis.

We are glad to report that Mr. Charles Stradley who was opperated on last Wednesday at Dr. Jones hospital Wilmington is getting along very nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Coligian and daughter, Marian spent the week end with her parents in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kent, of Wilmington, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bolton.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Jones are receiving congrulation on the birth of a fine son.

Miss Catherine Thornton, of Warwick, is spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. Walter Hadley.

Mrs. James D. Davis and daughter, Miss Mary Scott who have returned home after spending last week with Dr. and Mrs. E. A. Scott.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Kent County letters of Administration on the personal estate of

WILLIAM PARR

late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 29th day of July, 1927 otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's personal estate.

All persons indebted to this estate must settle at once.

Given under my hand this 25th day of January, 1927.

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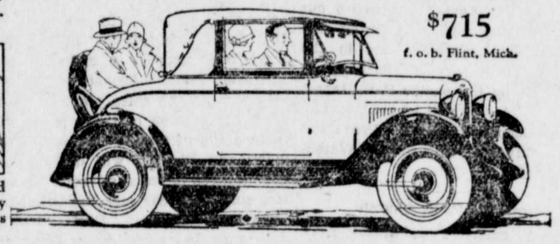
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