AGRICULTURAL NOTES

PROVE PUREBRED COWS ARE BEST PRODUCERS

Purebred cows stand out as the best producers of milk and butterfat and cow testing associations have produced the evidence to prove it, say dairy specialists at the University of Maryland.

The evidence has come to light as a result of a tabulation of 48,097 tests made in cow testing associationi in all parte of the United Stateo by the Bureau of Dairy Industry, United States Department of Agriculture. The results showed an average production of 7,667 pouods of milk and 396 pouads of butterfat for the purebred cows whose records were examiaed. The grades fell below this figure with at average production of 6,990 pounds of milk and 281 pounds of butterfat. Last in the list were the scrubs with an average yield of 6,217 pounds of milk and 251 pounds of butterfat.

There are now approximately 350,000 cows in cow testing associations in the United States, it is reported. In 1925 the average production per cow in the United States was estimated at about 4,500 pounds of milk while cow testing association cows were able to show an average of 7,272 pounds.

On this basis, the 350,000 cows in cow testing associations in 1925 produced as much milk as 560,000 average cows and returned as much income over cost of feed as 626,000 cows of the average type it is said.

Grain Valuable For Early Market Lambs

Grain is usually a profitable supplement to the ration of the lamb intended for the early market, say animal husbandry specialists at the University of Maryland. It can be fed as soon as the lambs show a desire to eat and may consist entirely of corn.

If legume hay is not being fed and the lambs are not on pasture, it may be well to supply a mixture of four to six parts by weight of corn to one of coarsely ground linseed meal, soybean oil meal or peanut meal. Coarsely ground feed will probably be best at first, but whole corn will be suitable as soon as the lambs are eating well.

Grain intended for the lambs should be fed in a place apart from the rest of the sheep. A creep with openings too small for the ewes may be fitted with a box for grain and a rack in which to feed the choicest available legume hay. Getting the lambs ready for an early market often will be greatly facilitated by giving them the extra feed which this method provides.

From 45 to 85 pounds, depending upon the time of year, is the range in weight for desirable market lambs. The lighter weights meet the requirements at the beginning of the marketing season.

Ewes whose lambs are marketed should be given attention. In some cases it may be desirable to allow other lambs to take the milk from ewes whose lambs have been marketed. Especially is this the case if there are lambs which do not receive a sufficient amount of milk from their own dams. When it is desired to have the milk flow stop, the ewe's grain allowance should be reduced sharply. Even then it is well to watch closely to avoid the occurrence of a caked udder, which may result if the milk is not drawn.

Three Farms Obtain Hog Cholera At Sale

The danger of buying pigs without knowing anything about their origin has been demonstrated already this year on at least three farms in the State where hog cholera has occurred following the purchase of animals at a single sale, says Dr. I. K. Atherton, inspector in charge of hog cholera controlin Maryland.

The sale was held early in March. Outbreaks of the disease were reported shortly afterward from the three different farms, to all of which animals from the sale had been introduced.

"Last year," Dr. Atherton, "there were thirty-six primary outbreaks of hog cholera due to the purchase of infected hogs. While this number is small in comparison with the 540 primary outbreaks attributed to the feeding of infected pork in garbage, table scraps, kitchen swill and slaughter house and butcher offal, the individual risk involved should be sufficient to make the purchase of swine from unknown sources a matter of caution.

KENNEDYVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Haggerty spent Friday in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Robinson, of Baltimore, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. James Robinson.

Mrs. Wm. Webb spent a part of last week with her daughter, Mrs. Bruce Dukes.

Mrs. H. Wiltbanks, Mrs. Bruce Dukes and Miss Mary Robinson have been on the sick list.

Mrs. Wm. Dempsey entertained the Embrodary Club on Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. William Urie spent a few days of last week with her parents.

Mr. Edward Caldwell and Miss Anna Caldwell and friend visited relatives here over the week end.

Mrs. Pearl Walls and Miss Harriett are spending the week end in Baltimore.

The P. T. A., will meet in the school building next Wednesday afternoon, April 6, at 3.30 p. m.

Mr. Henry Rutter entertained friends from Easton last week.

Mrs. Kendall, Miss Mary Trew, Mrs. Covey and Miss Mary Covey visited Mrs. John Rollison the past week.

Mrs. Reese, of Wilmington, is spending some time with Mrs. Wiltbanks.

Prof. Harry Rasin and wife spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Rasin.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis, of Galena, are spending some time with their daughter, Mrs. Raymond Hill near town.

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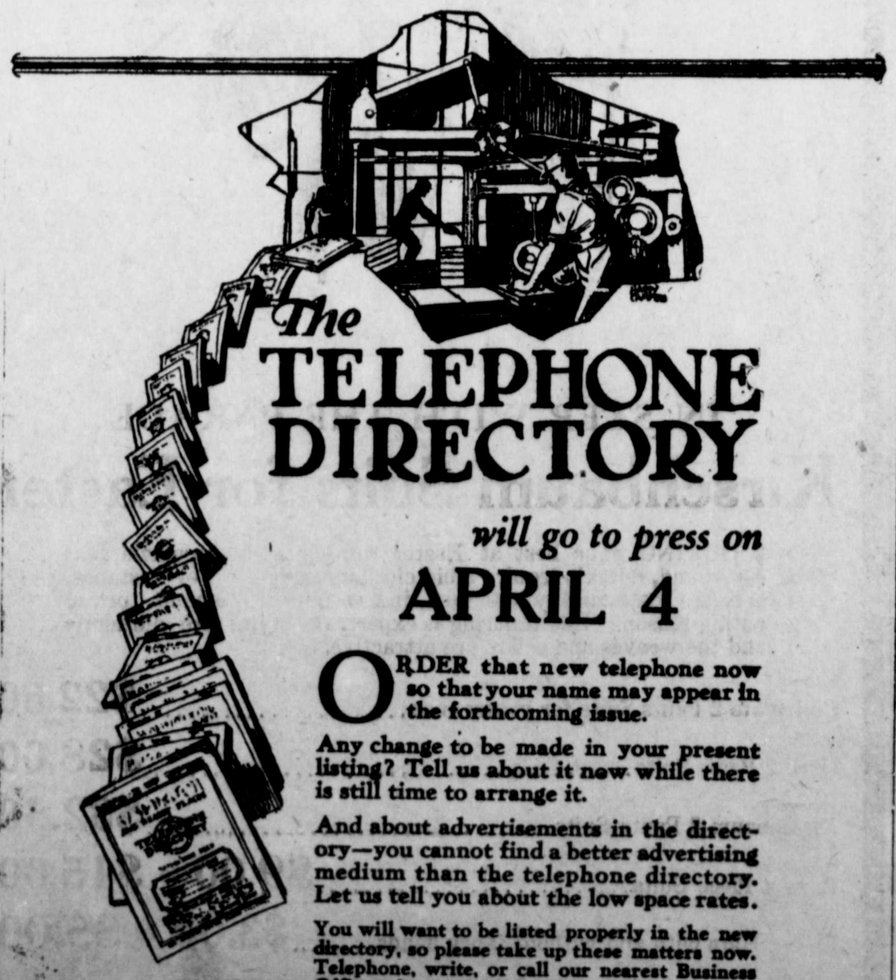

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Assessments for 1926	$12,700.45
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Rents collected and turned over to Treas.	$13,154.61
Delinquent for 1926	543.79
	$13,698.40

Treasurer's Books

Receipts:	
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1926	$ 3,659.79
Cash received from Superintendent	13,154.61
Transferred from Savings Account	1,550.00
	$18,364.40
Disbursements:	
System	$ 2,547.50
Pump House	3,305.61
Office	213.31
Interest on Bonded Debt ..	2,200.00
Bonds Matured and paid ..	2,500.00
Transferred to Savings Account	1,500.00
Miscellaneous	1,136.81
Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1926	4,961.17
	$18,364.40

Savings Account

Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1925	$ 1,832.12
Transferred from active Account	1,500.00
Interest	95.63
	$3,427.75
Disbursements:	
Transferred to active act.	$ 1,550.00
Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1926	1,877.75
	$3,427.75

The books of the Superintendent and Treasurer have been examined and found correct as per the above statement. Vouchers for all disbursements in the report are on file at the office of the Treasurer of the Water Board, and they and the books are open to inspection.

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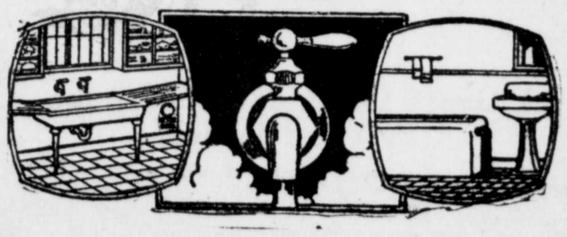

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