

ing the ranch owners of the west. I the east to the proposition confront-believe that in this state most of the grazing land is fenced, and the cattle do not mingle on the range as they do farther west, even in the summer season. This means that as a rule a man's bull serves only his own cows, and cows from an infected herd do not necessarily mingle with healthy cows of another herd. It seems to me that it would be possible for a man to arrange his pastures so that he could separate aborters and all discharging cows from the rest of the herd, and also keep a separate hull for the aborting cows. I would like to see some experiments tried along that line.

This question of infectious abortion is a very important problem, and it is now being recognized as such by both dairy men and beef men all over the country. Scientists in many places in both Europe and America are investigating the disease and attempting to solve the problem of controlling it. The Bureau of Animal Industry expects to have available a special appropriation for this work for the year beginning July 1, due to the demand of the dairymen of the country, and we hope to tackle the proposition in a big enough way so that we can get some definite results. To do this we will require the co-operation of a number of representative cattlemen in different parts of the country, and I know that we will get it if they think there is any chance to increase the calf crop.

And what Do You Think?

Wonder what the man really thinks who tells you a story you heard in the nursery as a recent personal experience?

Life's Never-Ending Vortex.

Life is a ceaseless vortex, a perpetual whirlpool, from the beginning to the ending, and from the ending to the beginning. Every death is a new birth, every grave a cradle.—Macmillan.

WILLIAM J. RICKLEY

In the death of William J. Rickley, which occurred at the Methodist hospital in Omaha, June 29, the South Omaha market lost one of its best known and most highly respected live stock commission men. He was a member of the firm of Burke-Rickley Live Stock Commission Co.

The following is taken from the South Omaha Drivers Journal-Stockman:

William J. Rickley, for many years in the live stock commission business at this point, died this morning at 11:20 at the Methodist hospital. Mr. Rickley had a bad cold and a grippy attack soon after the holidays which resulted in the formation of an abscess in the head. He was operated on and for a time with apparent success. He rallied and made such good progress that he was able to visit the yards and meet old friends again, but the formation of new pus sacs on the brain sent him back to the hospital.

The most eminent specialists in the West were called in and did their best, but all to no avail.

Mr. Rickley was born in Columbus, Nebr., in 1875, coming to the stock yards some twenty years ago. He began as bookkeeper and assistant hog man, later on becoming hog salesman and a member of his firm. During the years that he has been connected with the live stock business at this point he has won the very highest reputation for business honor and integrity, being held in the greatest esteem by all his associates in the commission business.

His untimely death has cast a deep shadow over the yards and it is hard for his old friends to reconcile themselves to the thought that they must give him up.

The deceased is survived by his father, W. T. Rickley of Omaha, and by two sisters, one of whom resides with her father, and the other, Mrs. Chenowith, a resident of Geneva; also by his wife and three splendid boys, the youngest only a few months old.



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