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Met With Blank Stare.

Is there anything more embarrassing than asking four people to spend Sunday evening with you and then promptly forgetting all about it? On the evening designated, while friend husband and I were reading, he countless, collarless, and in slippers, and I in a kimono, our guests arrived. I stared blankly and husband ran to the nearest shelter while our friends asked "Aren't we expected?" I managed to welcome them but finally told of my social error, was forgiven and excused while I dressed—but I still dread meeting them.—Exchange.

Manitoba Has Largest Elk Herd.

Manitoba boasts that it has the largest herd of elk in the world and one of the last two herds known to exist on the North American continent. It is found in the Riding Mountain reserve and is believed to number between 6,000 and 8,000 head. The elk are strictly preserved under the game laws of Manitoba and their feeding grounds are within the prescribed areas in which no guns can be carried by other than a game guardian or other officer of the crown.

Apprehension in Crimson Guich.

"What has become of Bill the Barkeeper?" asked the traveling man.
"He's acting queer," replied Chet Joe. "He mopes around the garage or the paint store all day long. He's so lonesome-like, since prohibition struck, that we're afraid he has quit being sober and industrious, and took to drink."

DAIRY COWS FED TOO MUCH GRAIN

Greatest Quantity at Lowest Cost for Production Makes Dairying Profitable.

HOLSTEIN COW MADE RECORD

Produced More Milk and Butterfat on Pasture, Silage and Roughage Than When Fed Grain—Feed Stuff Grown on Farm.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Profitable dairying does not consist in producing the greatest possible quantity of milk.

It does consist, however, in producing the greatest possible quantity of milk at the lowest possible cost.

To produce more milk, many dairymen feed too much grain, and pile up stupendous feed bills. But the grain does not always increase the flow of milk above what it would have been without grain, enough to pay the difference in the feed bill. Dairy specialists of the United States department of agriculture believe that in many cases more grain is fed to dairy cows than can be justified by the results in milk and butterfat.

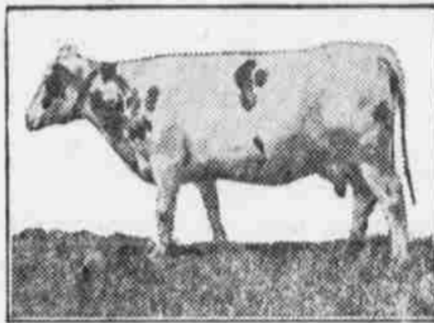
If your neighbor told you that his cow, that had not eaten a pound of grain for a whole year, produced 3,000 pounds more milk and 90 pounds more butterfat than she ever did when fed the regular grain and roughage ration—well, what would you believe if your neighbor told you that? And yet, that has actually happened. At least, that is substantially the story that the United States department of agriculture tells about its Holstein cow, Helen Ulrikje Calamity 145857.

Up to the time Helen was eight years old, she had always been fed a grain, silage, and roughage ration, and the best she had ever done was 11,778.2 pounds of milk and 368.39 pounds of butterfat. When she was eight years old, that being in the spring of 1918, it was decided to feed her no grain for a year. She lived for a full 12 months on pasture, silage, and roughage. And that year she produced 14,210.1 pounds of milk and 470.24 pounds of butterfat. The experiment was carried out at Huntley, Mont.

A Revolutionary Cow.

Helen may properly be referred to as a revolutionary cow. Some other cows, in cow-testing associations and elsewhere, have shown similar tendencies. And the result is that the dairy specialists are urging dairymen to see if it is not possible to produce milk and butter without feeding so much grain as is commonly fed.

The basis of successful dairy feeding is now said to be to feed the cows on the stuff that the farm produces instead of buying a great deal of grain and other concentrates. The dairyman should plan his feeding and crop growing to take care of the herd he has, instead of buying as the need arises for more feed. He should devote special attention to having the right kind of pasture and the right kind of roughage. If he cannot grow



She Produced More Milk Without Grain Than With It.

alfalfa, say, he should see what can be done toward growing soy beans or cowpeas or some other roughage crop that will supply the protein needed.

Caring for Pasture Pays.

In the old days, when a cow could be fed on grain and roughage at \$5 or \$6 a month, there was no great inducement to take care of pastures. But today it costs from \$15 to \$30 a month to feed a cow on grain and roughage. Attention devoted to pasture, therefore, pays bigger dividends than formerly. Dairymen used to figure that they must get \$15 a year from every acre of land in pasture, and this meant that the acre had to pasture a cow for three months. Now, if the same acre pastures a cow only one month, it produces its \$15. If it pastures a cow for three months it is producing \$45 a year. And the price of pasture land has not increased in that proportion. Therefore, every day that the cow is kept on pasture means a saving of money to the dairyman. It pays, nowadays, to take care of the pastures. And it pays equally well to take care of the roughage. Pasture, forage, silage—these things are the essentials in dairy production.

SOLVE WINTER EGG PROBLEM

Commercial Breeders Have Discovered Importance of Green Food in Ration of Fowls.

The most important discovery the commercial breeders have made in the past few years towards solving the winter egg problem has been the discovery of the value of green food in a tender, succulent form in the ration.

DISINFECT SEED BED TO PREVENT DISEASE

Before Planting Be Sure to Destroy All Fungi.

Sterilization by Heat in Form of Steam is Most Effective—Formalin Treatment May Be More Practical for Majority.

(By OTIS REINKING, Colorado Agricultural College, Fort Collins, Colo.)

Be sure to disinfect your seed beds, cold frames or hot house beds before planting. The purpose is to kill all fungi which cause damping off, stem rot, black rot, and other diseases. Sterilization by heat in the form of steam is the most effective; however, the formalin treatment may be more practical for the majority.

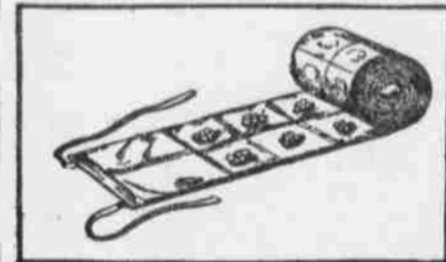
The formalin solution is made up by using 4 quarts of formalin (40 per cent formaldehyde to 50 gallons (1 barrel) of water. Apply at the rate of 2 quarts per square foot of ground. One barrel, at this rate, will cover a piece of ground one rod long by six feet wide. Apply the solution gradually to the soil with a sprinkling pot. It is well to cover the bed for 24 hours with sacks disinfected in the formalin solution.

Do not plant until the third or fourth day after disinfecting, or until the ground is in a suitable condition. This will allow all formalin fumes to escape so that the seed and young growing plants will not be injured.

SEED TESTER QUITE SIMPLE

Inexpensive Contrivance Comprises Envelope Enfolded Pad Which Retains Moisture.

The Scientific American in illustrating and describing a seed tester invented by A. F. Esslinger of Ypsilanti, Mich., says: The object of the invention is to provide a simple, and inexpensive contrivance for testing seeds. The tester comprises an envelope



Showing Manner in Which Seeds Are Enclosed in Tester.

formed by folding longitudinally the outer member and stitching it at one of the edges, this envelope enfolds a pad which absorbs and retains moisture for a period sufficient to cause germination of the seeds. The envelope is stitched longitudinally and transversely, to form sections each of which is numbered for identification purposes.

SOIL FERTILITY IS LACKING

Many Unprofitable Pastures Need Re-seeding or Liberal Application of Plant Food.

Many pastures gradually prove unprofitable not from overgrazing or seasonal conditions but from lack of soil fertility. This is especially true where cattle, sheep, etc., graze in an open field and then run into some shady spot to rest, so conditions should be carefully studied. In some cases it will be found that the pasture needs re-seeding, though in many cases it will be learned that it is overgrazing or lack of available fertility in the soil that causes the decline, in which case removing the stock for a time if from overgrazing or the application of the necessary plant food if the latter will prove profitable.

CONFINED FOWLS NEED GRIT

Conditions in Winter Season Are Vastly Different From Summer When Hens Are Free.

When the hens are running in the field in summer they pick up and eat small sharp pieces of gravel which serve as grit to grind the food in the gizzard and keep the digestive organs in good shape. When the hens are confined to the houses during the winter they must have plenty of grit, and the commercial grit to be given in boxes and hoppers is the best, because it is the right size and is sharp.

LIME IS GOOD DISINFECTANT

Scattered About Henhouse It Has Tendency to Keep Fowls in Thrifty Condition.

Air-slaked lime is one of the best things known to scatter about in the henhouse, over the walls, roosts and floor, and in the nests, as a disinfectant. It keeps fowls in good health. It is also excellent to use in fighting roup and mites.

MORE FERTILIZER IS NEEDED

Every Shovelful of Manure Should Be Saved and With Rubbish Plowed Under.

More fertilizer is needed on many farms. Every shovelful of manure should be saved and all rubbish turned under when possible to improve the fertility of the soil. It takes plant food to yield crops. Poor land should be improved.

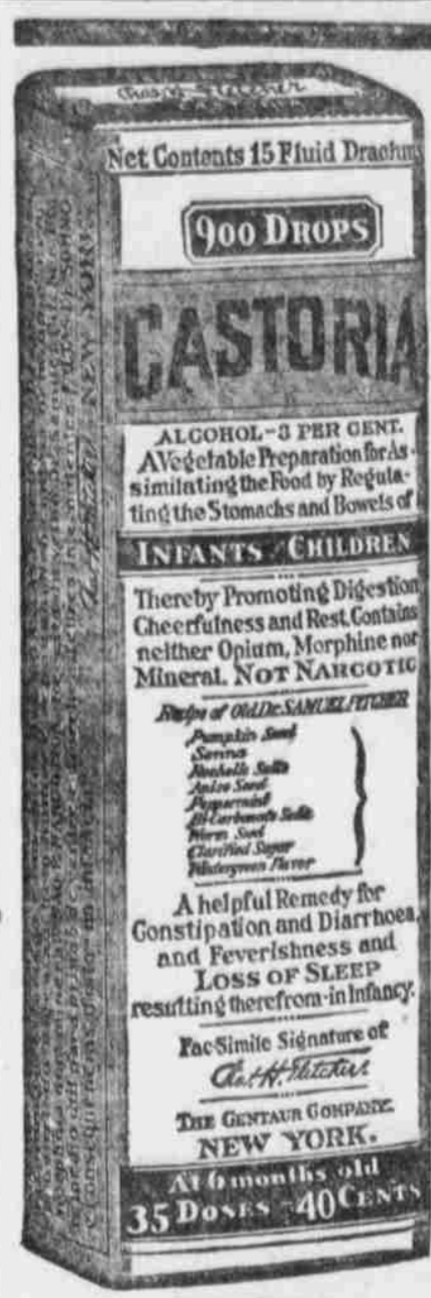
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