

## Birth Of A Wonderful Calf

Seldom is the birth of a calf, even a world beater, real news in this part of Oregon, our neighbors have bred and tested so many great cows that their mere greatness is no longer an exception in the dairy herds of our community.

However, over at Stoke Park, south of Stayton, last Sunday morning a new addition to the herd laid claim to more than usual attention, the calf was a heifer, her mother being a daughter of Spok Ahne Rieter, and out of a daughter of Spok Ahne Pilot. Spok Ahne Pilot being an inbred son of Rieter.

The sire of this calf was a son of Spok Ahne Prospect, another inbred son of Rieter, and out of Stoke Park Rita, whose sire was Spok Ahne Pilot, and whose dam was a daughter of Rieter out of Spok Ahne Tattle, inbred sister to Rieter. Rieter and Tattle being by Eminent's Pilot and out of his own daughters.

This calf named Stoke Park Marie's Beauty traces to Spok Ahne Rieter eight times; to Eminent's Pilot twenty times and to Stoke Pogis 120 times.

Spok Ahne Rieter was acknowledged during his life, to be the "greatest bull that ever stood on four feet." He was the only Jersey animal of either sex for which an offer of \$100,000 was ever made and refused, and if that offer had been accepted he would have been the highest priced Jersey animal in the world. Eminent's Pilot's daughters made eleven records on official test that average 871 lbs. butter in one year. Three of them ranked in the list of Five Highest cows when made, each class by ages. This was 15 per cent of all his tested daughters, and no other bull has ever put in over 5 per cent. Stoke Pogis, bred at Stoke Park, Winslow, Bucks, England, 1872, heads a list of sixteen

sires and sons with 1000 lbs. daughter. No other such list exists.

Beauty carries no less than 1920 official records of 1000 lbs. butter each, made in one year's work. Never has any animal faced the world with such a wonderful inheritance, or such a positive guarantee of value. No race horse, or draft horse, no beef or dairy animals has ever come into the world with a better indicated ability to surpass in its class, and if Beauty can have only a fair chance she will undoubtedly render a great account of her inheritance.

In conformation, she has a beautiful face, fine back, and an exceptionally rugged constitution. A magnificent heart and paunch, and a regular old dish rag hanging where the udder will some day appear. She is absolutely the highest pinnacle of achievement ever attained by the livestock breeder's art.

The Stoke Park herd has an interesting history, beginning with the herd of Mr. Phillip Dauncey, in 1826, a system of intense inbreeding has been consistently followed until today after 105 years of time they have produced this calf with almost two thousand records behind her of 1000 lbs. of butter, that she will be able to produce an enormous quantity of milk and butter goes without saying.

That this line of inbreeding has not brought any undesirable results is clearly proven by the vigor, and vitality of the entire herd, and while official tests of the closer relatives might help to advertise the herd, the tests that have been made are more than ample to prove the value of the line of blood.

A calf from a proven blood line is certain to be more dependable than a calf from a proven cow or bull, and two proven parents, or four proven grandparents, that were not all from the same line of blood given far less assurance of inherited capacity.

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