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WILLAMETTE VALLEY CENTRALIZES EYES OF WORLD ON JERSEY CATTLE

Five Out of the Ten Highest Jersey Butter Fat Records for 365 Days Are Held in Oregon, Which Means in the Salem District—Looks Like Nature Consulted the Dairy Cow Before She Shaped Our Hills and Made Our Valleys

Editor Statesman:

The Willamette valley has centralized the eyes of the world on Jersey cattle, because nowhere, not even on the island of Jersey, are there so many world record cows in such a small area. I have a copy of the Jersey Bulletin on my desk and on the editorial page is a list of 10 cows which comprise the "highest Jersey Butter fat record for 365 days." Five out of these ten world record cows were raised in this valley.

In considering the Willamette valley, from a dairy standpoint, one is about led to believe that nature consulted the dairy cow before she shaped the hills and made the valleys, providing them with an abundance of beautiful streams with ample shade, and then arranged for a mild climate with long grazing seasons.

The fact that forage crops yield bountifully, and that pasture crops such as English rye grass

and white clover grow voluntarily in so many sections, has indeed made dairying the foundation and the keynote of the type of diversified farming that is profitable.

It is indeed gratifying to know that we have present day breeders who are upholding the fame of Oregon Jerseys. Within the past six months Mrs. Florence Gail Neal of Oregon City and Harry Ilff of Independence, Ore., have qualified animals for world record honors, and there is everything to indicate that as time goes on the Willamette valley will continue to hold the remarkable record of having 50 per cent of the world record's Jersey cows.

IVAN STEWART.

(Mr. Stewart, as most readers know, is the field man for the Chas. R. Archerd Implement Company, Salem; he is doing the work of a super county agent for the several central Willamette valley counties that make up the Salem district.—Ed.)

her progeny, in the last three consecutive years.

Her second and third daughter have not been beaten in produce of dam in the last three consecutive years.

Her son and daughters are all show animals and are shown at the fairs every year, always winning, mostly first prizes, and never falling below second prize. This is a remarkable record.

Remarkable Daughters

The first daughter, Lady Segis De Kol Harton, won second prize in the Oregon state fairs of 1924 and 1925. She also made advanced registry butter fat requirements.

Lady Marion Segis Homestead, the second daughter, won first prize at the fair in 1926 and 1927. She produced 23.62 pounds of butterfat in seven days, when a 3-year-old.

Lady Iris Homestead De Kol, the third daughter, won first prize as a junior calf in 1924. She also won first as a junior yearling in 1925. She was all American reserve champion in 1925. First prize 2-year-old in 1926, second prize 3-year-old, 1927. She was holder of the Oregon state butter fat record of 22.62 pounds of butter fat in seven days, when she was only a 2-year-old.

Lady Minnie De Kol Homestead, the fourth daughter, won second prize in the senior calf entries in 1927.

Baby of Family

The fifth and last daughter of this unusual record holding mother is only a baby of three months, but Mr. Durbin says that she will be at the fairs next year and that he expects she will do her share toward accumulating the prizes for her remarkable family.

This one family earned \$373 at the state fair in 1926 and \$248 in 1927. This is a record for any one family. This family is made up of young cows, even the mother, and they are only just starting on their accomplishments in the dairy world.

Before using a new casserole, set it on several folds of cloth or paper, into a large sauce pan and add cold water. Heat water gradually to boiling point and keep boiling six or eight hours, then wipe utensil and set aside for future use. When ready to use heat casserole gradually. Never pour cold water in a hot dish.

POLK COUNTY JERSEYS AGAINST THE WORLD IS THE SLOGAN OVER THERE

County Has Produced and Holds More World Record Cows Than Any State Outside of Oregon—Three of Possible World Butterfat Production Records Now Held in Polk County—First Medal of Merit Bull Produced in Polk—Interest Is General in Polk

Editor Statesman:

"Polk county Jerseys against the world" is the slogan of the Jersey men and business interests. For years the Jersey records made in Polk county have attracted the interest and attention not only of Jersey men but also of all interested in the dairy industry. Many of those animals that attracted not only county-wide but also world-wide attention were located in Polk county, hence the slogan.

Polk county has produced and now holds more world's record cows than any state outside of Oregon.

Three Out of Eight

Three of the eight possible world's record yearly records for butterfat production are now in Polk county.

St. Mawes Lad's Lady 451568, owned by H. D. Ilff of Independence, with a record of \$29.09 pounds of butterfat, holds the record as a senior yearling. St. Mawes Lad's Pride 515044, also owned by Mr. Ilff, holds the senior four record at 1002.35 pounds of fat in 365 days.

Poppy's Dortha 478520, owned by F. E. Lynn of Perrydale, has the world's record for junior threes with a production of 994.25 pounds of fat. Mr. Lynn is also vice president of the American Cattle club.

In the 305 day class, M. N. Tibbles of Independence owns Graymere Alice 585854, who as a senior yearling produced 581.87 pounds of fat and 11,465 pounds of milk. Then in addition, Carry On Phoebe, owned by S. H. Robinson of Rickreall, with 13,154 pounds of milk, holds the world's two year old record for milk production.

Beats All Counties

Polk county has produced or developed more medal of merit bulls, and more gold medal and more silver medal bulls than any other county in the country. The first medal of merit bull was created in this county. Six of 51 gold medal bulls are credited to Polk county. Eight of 69 medal of merit cows made the record in Polk county.

But you won't be interested in any more figures. Suffice it to say that comparable records in adjoining counties resulted in so much enthusiasm in the Willamette valley of Oregon that the first Jersey Jubilee was celebrated back in 1919. After a period of years the Jubilee has changed into the counties taking part. The past year there were Jersey shows during the latter part of May in Linn, Polk, Yamhill, Marion and Clackamas counties, with total entries of some 500 head.

Ahead in Oregon

A Polk county Jersey breeder conceived the idea of capping these

county shows off with a state challenge show to be held in Salem the day following the last county show at which time all first prize winners in the county shows competed for champion honors. This Jersey breeder was G. G. Hewitt of Independence.

Polk county breeders, along with those from other counties took first prize animals to the "challenge show" at Salem on the 28th of last May. In addition to carrying off several first prizes at this show the grand champion bull was awarded to La Creole Select's Rodney 206378, a five year old owned by S. H. Robinson. This animal gives promise of adding further laurels to the many earned by Polk county Jerseys. He was first in his class at the state fair in 1925. He has sired three blue ribbon winners of the Polk county Jersey show, one first and two seconds at the state show and one first at the Pacific International livestock show. Mr. Robinson plans on putting some of these heifers on register of merit test during the coming year.

Interest Is General

From some of this you can gather the reason and reasonability of such a slogan as "Polk county against the world."

Then to show that the interest is general, there are four boys' and girls' Jersey calf clubs in Polk county with a membership of about 30. Sixteen of these exhibited at the Polk county show last spring and later at the county fair and state fair.

Such a series of shows as was held in western Oregon last year, and culminating in the challenge show at Salem, places Jersey competition in Oregon on much the same basis as it is on the Isle of Jersey and has resulted in increased interest and enthusiasm for the Jersey cow.

J. R. BECK.

Dallas, Ore., Mar. 10, 1928. (Mr. Beck is the very efficient county agent of Polk county.—Ed.)

Idaho potato growers are demanding that the interstate commerce commission reconsider an order recently issued which gives to Wisconsin and Minnesota shippers a preferential rate to Texas and Oklahoma which gives them an advantage of 2 1/2 cents a hundred pounds over the Idaho shipper. The Oregon growers of potatoes are directly interested also and should join Idaho in the demand for fair play.

To obtain best results when cooking a roast, have the oven hot to harden the outside and keep the juice in. After that lower the temperature.

A PRIZE WINNING FAMILY OF THE MEADOWLAWN HOLSTEIN DAIRY HERD

The Mother and Five Daughters and One Son Are All in This Remarkable Herd, and They Are All Show Animals at the Fairs, Always Winning, Mostly First Prizes—First Three Daughters Have Had Six Daughters, All in the Meadowlawn Herd, Though Lady Sergis Herself, Head of the Family, Is Still a Young Cow

There is a remarkable prize winning family of Holsteins in the herd of the Meadowlawn dairy, supplying Salem with milk; located near the Four Corners on the penitentiary highway, and now in the edge of the city, the environs of which have been been crawling close to the Meadowlawn farm land; plattings being made across the highway in the past several weeks.

The Meadowlawn dairy and the fine herd of Holsteins is the property of F. W. Durbin and Frank Durbin, Junior, and they personally manage the business and take a great pride in the herd.

Prize Winning Family

But this article is more particularly concerning a remarkable prize winning family in the Meadowlawn dairy herd, of which the following are the high lights:

Lady Segis Pontiac De Kpl Burke, winner grand champion Oregon state fair 1926. She holds a 26 pound butter fat record for a seven day period. She is now on fourth month of yearly test, averaging over 85 pounds of milk per day. She has had five daughters and one son. All five daughters are in the Meadowlawn dairy herd.

The first three daughters have had six daughters, which are all in the Meadowlawn herd. Lady Segis De Kol herself is still a so-called young cow.

Are Unbeaten

She and her second and third daughters have not been beaten at the Oregon state fair, as advanced registry cow, and two of

THIS WEEK'S SLOGAN

DID YOU KNOW that the Salem district has produced and made an ideal home for more great cows in proportion to her cow population than any other section of the world; that the Salem district now holds the highest place of all sections and states and nations in Jersey world records; that we are making more certain our lead as producers of the highest class dairy cows on earth; that this is partly because we have here in western Oregon the best dairy country known; that there is more certain greater profits in dairying here than elsewhere under the shining sun; that there is vast room here for great expansion in this line, and broad scope for the best efforts of the leaders of the dairying industry, and a welcome awaiting them?