

Polk County Has More World Record Jerseys Than Any One State Outside of Oregon

CLASS LEADERS OF THE GUERNSEY BREED IN OREGON, BY SECRETARY

In Guernsey Breed, One Cow in Every Eight Has an Official Record—As High as Any of Dairy Breeds if Not the Highest—A Third as Many Registered as Jerseys; Seventh the Number of Holsteins

Editor Statesman:

Giving the class leaders of the breed, the following explanations will give the reader a better understanding of ages, and letter requirements. Class G is 2 years, F 2½ years, E 3 years, D 3½ years, C 4 years, B, 4½ years, and A 5 years or over when the record is started. A double letter class as AA or GG is carrying a calf 265 days or more during the test period, and a triple letter or probably better known as the farmer's class is a record made on not more than two milkings per day and completed within 305 days, as GGG or AAA.

Guernsey Class Leaders

The class leaders for Oregon, list corrected to March 1, 1927, are as follows in A: Janis of Sequoia A. R. record 846.9 pounds butterfat, owned by Edmunds & Fitzpatrick, Tillamook, who also owned Rex's Daisy of Tillamook, leader in EE, A. R. record, 614.3 pounds. Class leader in B and also BB was Kate's Princess Jewel of Springcrest, record 729.2 pounds of butterfat, owned by W. A. Goodin, Cornelius, also owner of Kate's Buttercup Class E, 734.6 pounds of fat.

Red Wing of the Glen, Class C, record 607.03 pounds of fat, owned by A. I. & J. Hughes, Oregon City.

Class D, Imp. May of the Issues, 626.5 pounds of butterfat, owned by the Leonard Estate company, Grants Pass.

Kings' Bessie of Riverview, Class F, 517.8 pounds, owner Ira G. Lance, Tillamook.

Class FF, Lily's Blossom of Willow Wood, 611.6 pounds owned by W. O. Reith, Astoria.

Imp. Lady's Beauty of Ore Hill, Class G, 619.9 pounds of butter

fat, owned by V. H. Harwood, Astoria.

In Class AA, Auricula's May of Sequoia has a record of 574.4 pounds of fat, and Auricula's Marie of Tillamook 608.3 pounds of fat in GG, both owned by John J. Berns, Tillamook.

Octav Voget, Hubbard, has the following records in the class leaders for the state: Mixer Comely DD, 502.2 pounds butterfat; Imp. Lady Fanny of la Grande Maison in AAA, 503.6 pounds; Foshay's Jeanette in CCC has 467.6 pounds and EEE 468.7 pounds. Foshay's Jeanette has five official records and is among the long distance cows of the breed.

Rieben Brog., Banks, Oregon, have the following triple letter records: Quicksilver Annette BBB, 483.5 pounds. Giant Oak Farm Lady GGG, 437.0 pounds, and Oregon Pet, 580.8 pounds fat in DDD; this record gives her first place in the class leaders for the entire breed, and her record in PFF, of 517.3, gives her second place in the class leaders for the breed, as well as placing her at the head of these classes for Oregon.

The average of all records in single, double, and triple letter classes over 25,000 records is 486.5 pounds of fat. In the Guernsey breed one cow in every eight has an official record. This is perhaps as high a percentage of tested cows as any of the dairy breeds if not the highest. As to numbers the Guernsey breed has one-third the number of animals registered as the Jerseys and one-breed.

seventh the number of the Holstein
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first place at Salem and missed winning the milk contest by only a hair's breadth. At Washington state fair, she was first in class, senior and grand champion and winner in the milk contest. At Spokane Inter-state fair, she was senior and grand champion.

Adelaide of Beechlands of the Ladd herd as a 2 year old, gave 8363 lbs. of milk and 500 lbs. of butter. As a 5 year old she gave in 1908 the greatest amount of milk of any cow on authenticated test, 15,572 lbs., and led all others with 1093 lbs. of butter. At the Oregon state fair in 1910, we had evidence that show yard type and production were getting very close together when the cows winning 1st and 2nd in class also won 1st and 2nd in the milk contest. W. J. Domes, 1st with Bonnie Belle M. and W. O. Morrow, 2nd with Morrow's Select.

The Late Comers

Following is a list of Oregon cows that have won Jersey world's records some time during the past few years: St. Mawes Lad's Lady (Harry D. Iliff), 11756 lbs. 7.05 per cent milk, 829.09 lbs fat, Age 1 year, 11 months, Class "A".

Poppy's Dortha (F. E. Lynn), 17804 lbs. 5.28 per cent milk, 994.26 lbs fat, 3 years 4 months, Class "A".

St. Mawes' Lad's Pride (H. D. Iliff), 14243 lbs. 7.04 per cent milk 1002.35 lbs. fat, 3 years 7 months, class "A".

Darling Jolly Lassie (Pickard

Bros.), 16425 lbs. 6.95 per cent milk, 1141.28 lbs. fat, 4 years. Class "A".

Vive La France (Pickard Bros.) 14920 lbs. 6.91 per cent milk, 1031.64 lbs. fat, 4 years 7 months. Class "A".

Sophie's Princess Eulalia (Wm. J. Thoraley), 18867 lbs. 4.84 per cent milk, 913.12 lbs. fat, 3 years 2 months. Class "A 2".

The above all on 365 day test. The following all on 305 day test. The Lions L'zac (H. D. Iliff), 10752 lbs. 6.91 per cent milk, 742 lbs. fat, 1 year 9 months, Class "A. A".

Poet's Mable Mowat (H. Hanneman) 14915 lbs. 5.93 per cent milk, 883.93 lbs. fat, 8 years 11 months.

Graymere Alice (M. N. Tibbles), 11465 lbs. 5.08 per cent milk, 581.87 lbs. fat, 1 year 11 months. Class "A. A. A".

Carry On Phoebe (S. H. Robinson) 13,145 lbs. 4.35 per cent milk, 571.22 lbs. fat, 2 years 1 month, Class "A A A".

Special Mention

Worthy of special mention is the record of Lulu Alpha, owned by J. J. Van Kleek, Scholls, Oregon. At the age of one year and 10 months she gave 13,668.7 lbs. of milk testing over 6 per cent and making 800.08 lbs of fat, which was 100 lbs. in excess of any record in her class at that time.

And to add to the above imposing list, now comes Tiddledewinks Quality Girl, owned by Mrs. Florence Gale Neal of Oregon City, with a record of 12,845 lbs., 6.45 per cent milk, and 826.44 lbs. fat. This record just recently compiled establishes her as the world's highest producing senior four year old Jersey cow in the 305 day class.

It is noteworthy that Tiddledewinks made this record on ordinary farm care, being on pasture with the herd and receiving the same feed ration, and that for eight months of the test she was milked by machine.

One of the most noteworthy records of Oregon cows, however, is the world's herd record made by 18 cows on 305 and 365 day tests in the McArthur and Stauff herd in Polk county. These cows produced an average of 658.02 lbs. of butterfat, a record never before approached by a herd of more than 12 cows of any breed. This feat was accomplished in 1922, and we have seen no account of it ever yet having been equaled. Only three of the cows participating were mature animals at the beginning of the test, and the average age of the 18 at that time was only three years and eight months, and all but two were bred by their owners.

But enough Jersey flavor for this time.

The Holsteins

Speaking of Oregon Holsteins, you at once think of "Pa" Frakes, but Jim Stewart of Forest Grove, as I recall, was the first man to breed and exhibit the big black and whites in this state. Mr. Stewart did not last very long in the business, but he started the ball rolling with some good ones and, I think Frakes and F. W. Durbin each secured some of his blood as foundation stock. Mr. Durbin was one of the early exhibitors of this breed at the Oregon state fair, and after a few years rest he is back again stronger than ever. Sorry I have no data on his herd, but no doubt he or some one else will write up the Holsteins much better than I can do. I just happen to remember that in 1926 he had senior and grand champion on Lady Segis Pontiac, a cow of great breed, character and production capacity.

Two other pioneer breeders and exhibitors of Oregon who have retired from the farm are W. K. Newell and Thos. Carmichael of Gaston. We have no data at hand

relative to their individual cows, but in their time they each owned and exhibited some good ones and without a doubt got some of their foundation stock from the good Stewart herd.

When you think of "Pa" Frakes you at once think of Peek-A-Boo Artis, truly a great show and dairy cow in her day. But Chlo Mechtillide was the grand old cow with which Mr. Frakes copped off the senior and grand champion ribbons at the Lewis and Clark fair. The blood of these two great cows and of his old herd bull, Lunde Oregon De Kol, courses the veins of many of Oregon's good Holsteins. For instance Johanna Belle Stanhope, the first Oregon cow to produce 30,000 lbs. of milk in a year, was a descendent from the Frakes herd. She was owned by Mr. Mullenhoff, Gresham, Oregon.

The first prize Holstein cow at the Pacific International exposition in 1922 was Tillamook Daisy Butter King De Kol, bred by F. R. Beals of Tillamook and sold by him to Carnation Stock Farm.

She is one of the outstanding cows of that noted herd of cows of 1926, bred by A. J. Warner.

Model Segis Prilly Gelsche, one of the world All-American of Aurora, Oregon, developed by D. J. Berning at Mt. Angel, was sold to the Billwhack Stock Farm, Oxnard, California. At the Pacific International exposition in 1925 she stood second to the world's champion cow. In 1923 she was reserve all-American aged cow. In 1926 she was senior and grand champion at the Sesqui-Centennial International exposition at the Waterloo dairy congress and at the Indiana state fair. She has a record of 1283.02 lbs. butter and 31,588 lbs. of milk and is a beauty to behold.

Northwest Outstanding

It may be fudging a little bit to quote R. E. Everly, field representative of National Holstein association as to Holsteins in the northwest, but it can be no crime, since Oregon originally included the whole northwest and many of the cows referred to are in Oregon, or were bred here and sold to their present owner. He says the northwest has only five per cent of all the Holsteins in the United States, but that the northwest does have:

The first cow to produce as much as 35,000 pounds of milk and the only cow to have produced that amount twice.

The first and only cow to have produced 37,000 pounds of milk in one year.

The first cow to have produced as much as 33,000 pounds of milk. The first cow to have produced 30,000 pounds of milk at two different years.

The first cow to have produced 1,000 pounds or more of butter for four different years.

The only cow to have produced as much as 1400 pounds of butterfat for two different years.

Of 118 Holsteins which have produced 1000 pounds or more of butter in one year, the northwest has produced 37 of them.

The Guernseys

The Guernsey cow has not been doing business in Oregon as long as has the Jersey and the Holstein, but in the few years she has been on the job she has made rapid strides and is making her influence felt in the improvement of the dairy stock of the state in phenomenal manner.

We are indebted to Mrs. A. I. Hughes for the following data on the class leaders of the Guernsey breed in Oregon.

(As Mrs. Hughes gives the same information in her letter in this issue, this data is omitted—Ed.)

Mrs. Hughes has given no show ring records, modestly preventing, since her own cows have been conspicuous winners in recent

years. Sorry to have no data, but one fact stands out worthy of mention, viz: At the Alaska Yukon Exposition, in competition with the champion winners on the eastern circuit, two Oregon cows won first and second. First in class and senior and grand champion was won by Kate's Beauty and second in class was won by Evaline's Queen of Oregon. Both these cows were bred, owned and exhibited by D. H. Looney, pioneer Guernsey breeder, who has done much to bring this breed to the fore in the state. Mrs. Hughes is responsible for the statement that from two Guernsey females bought in Clackamas county in 1912, in 1927 the Guernsey breeders sold 170 head of pure bred and 8 grades for a round \$35,000. That should do for a clincher on the Guernsey as a money maker.

The Brown Swiss

Joining forces with the other dairy breeds in the battle against the scrub, the Brown Swiss have, in a quiet way, been rendering good service for many years. B. P. Inman of Junction City and Theo. Brigger of Gresham are the pioneers with this breed in Oregon, joined in recent years by a live wire in the person of J. Boeckli of Linnton.

Sorry we have no data on their records at the fair or in the show ring, but perhaps one of these breeders will furnish some facts along those lines. We do happen to remember that at the A. Y. P. B. P. Inman's Flossie I. won first over all comers.

The Ayrshires

The hardy little Ayrshire, so popular in her native heath and with her four square udder carried close up to her body so well adapted to graze logged-off stump pastures, has not become numerous as might be expected in this state.

Many years ago the Homeyans, of Portland, established the Kelvin Grove herd and for a long time maintained it at a high standard of excellence. In fact I think the herd is still well maintained, though they have not put out a show herd as formerly, for many years.

W. J. Domes of Polk county established a good sized, representative herd of this breed about 20 years ago, and since his death his widow has continued the business on the same farm, but has not exhibited.

We have neither production nor show ring records of either of these herds.

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FARM COURSE MAN WINS IN DEBATE

(Following is an item from a current bulletin of the department of industrial journalism of the Oregon Agricultural college:)

When James Goss of Portland, senior in agriculture, won first in the Old Line oratorical contest last week against a field of eight representatives from other Oregon colleges and universities and normal schools, he made it "two straight" for his institution. Last year the contest was won by Robert Griffin, Corvallis, who is at present a member of the transcontinental debate squad that is meeting with outstanding success, having lost but two debates out of eleven to date.

THE WORLD'S MOST FAMOUS COW WAS OF THE HOLSTEIN BREED