

### SUGGESTIONS ON HOG RAISING ARE GIVEN BY EXPERT

By C. M. McAllister

T. B. Johnson of LaGrande, Oregon, was on the North Portland market this week with a carload of hogs, which topped the market. Mr. Johnson is a pioneer hog raiser and shipper, being one of the few hog men in Oregon who stays in the game year in and year out. He had the following to say about the hog game:

"I have been raising hogs for a period of twenty years. During this twenty year period the quality of hogs in Oregon has taken great strides due largely to the use of pure blood grades, and have a better finished product, which brings me better price. It costs a little more to start with pure bloods, but this extra initial cost is returned many times over in future operations.

"I might mention, with no desire to boast, that my hogs have also made a pretty showing in the Pacific International Show. I won Grand Champion prize on carloads, pens of three and singles for six years, and Grand Champion Barrow for two years. Competition in the show is growing pretty keen, but it is interesting work, and the exhibits that beat me out must be good ones.

"During the years I have been producing hogs I have made a study of feeding and care of them. To begin with I take the best of care of the sow before farrowing, and sow and litter after farrowing. I have my breeding pens arranged with a 'Creep' where the small pigs can eat without being disturbed by the older hogs. Shortly after farrowing I make available for the little pigs a mixture of mill feed and skim milk, thin enough so they can drink it. When they are five or six weeks old I provide a ration of chopped wheat or corn, and also let them run on clover or alfalfa pasture. With this way of handling the pigs practically wean themselves at from six to eight weeks of age, and the process is so gradual as to not hinder their growth in any way. When they are from seven to eight weeks old I begin to feed them ground wheat and oats mixed, one-third oats and two-thirds wheat, in self-feeders placed in alfalfa pasture. These feeders as well as pure water and plenty of shade is provided for them at all times. At the age of four months I change the feed to either chopped wheat or corn, and give them free access to salt trough at all times, as well as to a solution of lime water and twenty percent copperas. Once a week during the summer months I give them a twenty percent mixture of sulphur with wood ashes. Some people feed soft coal, but I consider this a detriment. A properly constructed self-feeder is the most economical way of feeding hogs for market. Handling hogs in the above manner has permitted me to have them well finished for market at the age of about six months, when they will weigh from 180 to 225 pounds per head, which is the weight most suitable to the packer at this time. At the age of eight months my hogs weigh from 240 to 280 pounds.

"I believe most farmers will concede that hog production at this time is a profitable business. So far as I am concerned, I have always found the production of hogs to be profitable and I see no reason why they should not be profitable for all time to come when properly raised and cared for.

"I keep a herd of pure blood Poland Chinas of medium type. I believe I can make this type of hog ready for market in a shorter time, and have a more desirable finished product, than if I used any other breed or type. The medium Poland is prolific, my sows farrowing from seven to thirteen pigs, and I raise them all. From seven to nine pigs from one sow makes better pigs with fewer runts than when the litters are larger. I consider the medium type of Poland the easiest maturing of any breed of hogs, with the Berkshire running second.

**CREAMERY SINKS WELL FOR COOLING PURPOSES**

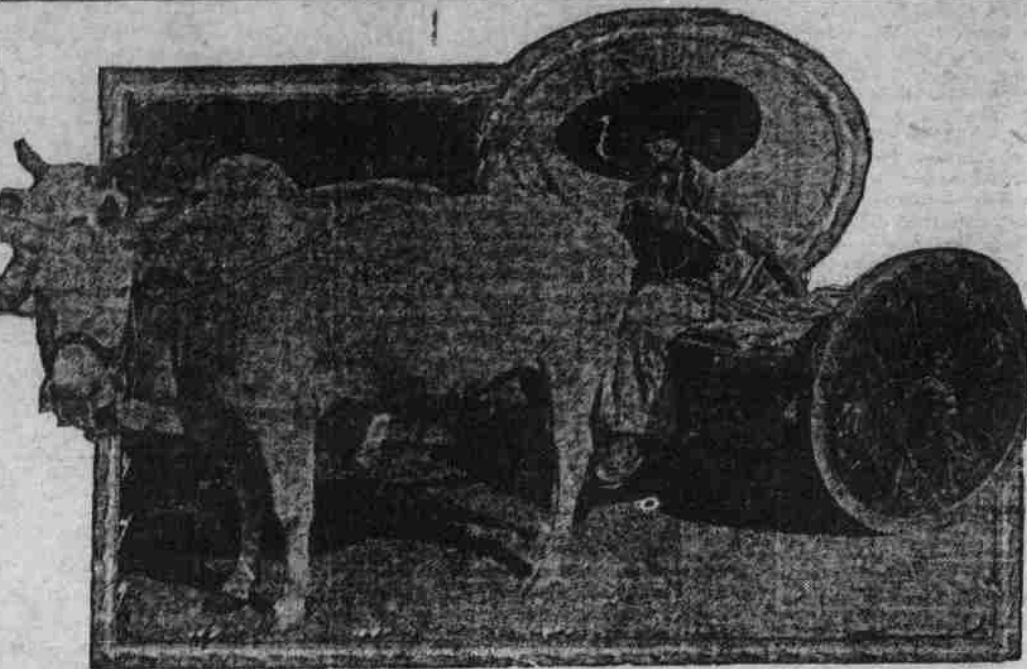
Independence, Or., May 4.—A new well has just been completed for the Independence creamery. It is an 8-inch drilled well, 32 feet in depth and has a capacity of 500 gallons per minute, according to H. B. Buckner, who did the work. Equipped with a 200-gallon centrifugal pump, the capacity of the well is said to equal the city wells here.

It was drilled in gravelly soil and the water will be used in cooling the dairy products.

New York.—Anthracite coal operators of the joint sub-committee of wage negotiations refused to subscribe to a resolution offered by the miners, calling upon federal officials to begin immediate investigation of anthracite industry from mine to consumer. Operators said such investigation would tend to confuse the situation.

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### RECORD JERSEYS TO BE EXHIBITED

Independence, Or., May 4.—In honor of Polk county, which holds four of the eight world's championship records, three world's record Jersey cows will be exhibited to Jersey fanciers on the ranch of S. J. McKee, three and one-half miles south of Independence, May 26, according to Ivan Laughary, secretary of the Oregon Jersey Cattle Club.

This is one of the places to be visited by the club on their annual tour of the state and the herds of W. O. Morrow, McArthur & Stauff, Frank Laughary & Son, Harry D. Hilt, Sam J. McKee and Frank Lyman, will also be shown.

The itinerary will begin with a banquet at Albany, May 24, and will include stops in Linn, Polk and Yamhill counties.

The names of the three record winners are "Lad's lota," having the mature Jersey world's record and belonging to Mr. McKee; "St. Maves Lad's Lady," with a senior yearling world's record, the property of Harry D. Hilt of Independence; "St. Maves' Pretty Lady," having the senior two-year-old world's record, the property of Lester Daniels of Tillamook.

Luncheon will be served on the McKee place by the various organizations of Polk county. It is believed that fully 500 people will attend the exhibition.

Sells Out to Partner.

Independence, Or., May 4.—H. S. Rape, who has been connected with C. D. Anderson in the management and ownership of the Palace lunch room, has just sold his interest to the latter, who will continue the business as formerly. Mr. Rape has not yet decided his plans for the future.

### TO EXTEND PHONE LINE TO KINGS VALLEY AREA

Independence, Or., May 4.—A new six-trunk telephone line will be built between Independence and Airile and later to Kings Valley, was the decision reached last night at a business meeting and banquet of the Independence Retail Merchants Association.

The work will be done as soon as possible.

The association also entertained the Boy Scouts at the banquet to encourage them in their work of organization.

The banquet was held at the Hotel Beaver and covers were laid for 65, 43 of them being guests.

The association also discussed the matter of entertaining during the Jersey breeders jubilee to be held in Independence, Friday, May 26.

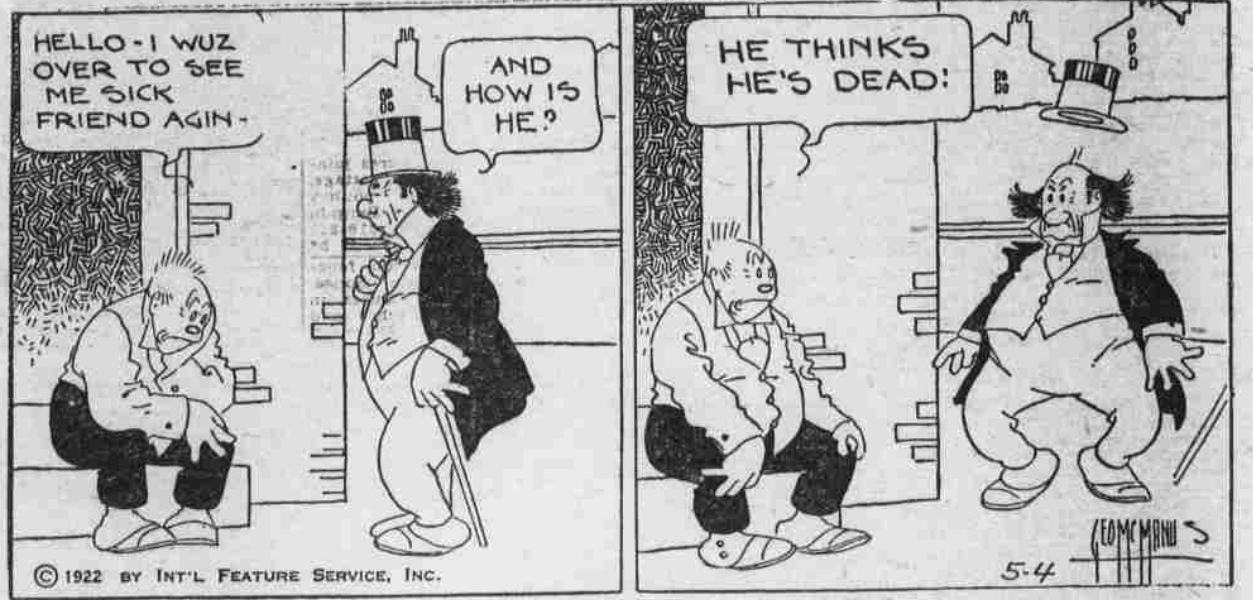
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