

# Tot Just Three Years Old Milks Holstein-Durham Cow Alone

Master George Foster Beard, Young Illinois Farmer, Able to Give Pointers to Many Experienced Milkers.

Not so very long ago The Home and Farm Magazine Section printed the account of a remarkable boy farmer of Forest, Wash. An Illinois reader has determined to produce a record, so sent this interesting account and picture published herewith. We shall be glad to have pictures and accounts of similar interesting farm children from our readers. Send them to the editor Home and Farm Magazine, care of this newspaper.

**M**ILKING a cow regularly at the age of three and a half years has brought fame to Master George Foster Beard, lover of dumb animals, and the sturdy little son of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Beard, who reside at Twin Maple Farm, one mile out of Dover, New Hampshire.

When the Beards bought their stock farm 13 years ago there came with the purchase a well-bred Holstein-Durham cow, 9 years old, and giving then 24 quarts of milk a day. Master George, as soon as he could toddle to the cow barn, became greatly attached to Old Dutchie, as she was called, and one afternoon last summer, when the cows came up from pasture, he asked his father if he might milk her.

### Cow Takes to Tot.

His father, pleased with the prospect of having so young a pupil in the milking art, consented and provided him with a low stool and a pail. The youngster had watched the men milk and he sat down to his first milking stunt with the air of a veteran. The 22-year-old cow took kindly to the efforts of the novice, though Mr. Beard had misgivings as to whether she would brush him away.

Dutchie milked easily and George secured three quarts at his first attempt. He milked the cow regularly every night after that through the summer and gradually acquired the requisite strength to milk her clean. He weighed about 40 pounds when he began milking and has become very muscular through the constant exercise.

### Lad Born Farmer.

The little lad seems to be a born husbandman. When three years old he used to go to the pasture alone and bring in the cows. He could not tie them, but would have them in their right places and knew the name of each one. He takes a keen interest in all the affairs of the farm.

During the past season he took charge of a Jersey calf, which he led about and trained to drive with an improvised harness and reins.

## Farmer Disagrees with Pullman

**T**WO heads are said often to be better than one. This is not always the case. It depends upon the case.

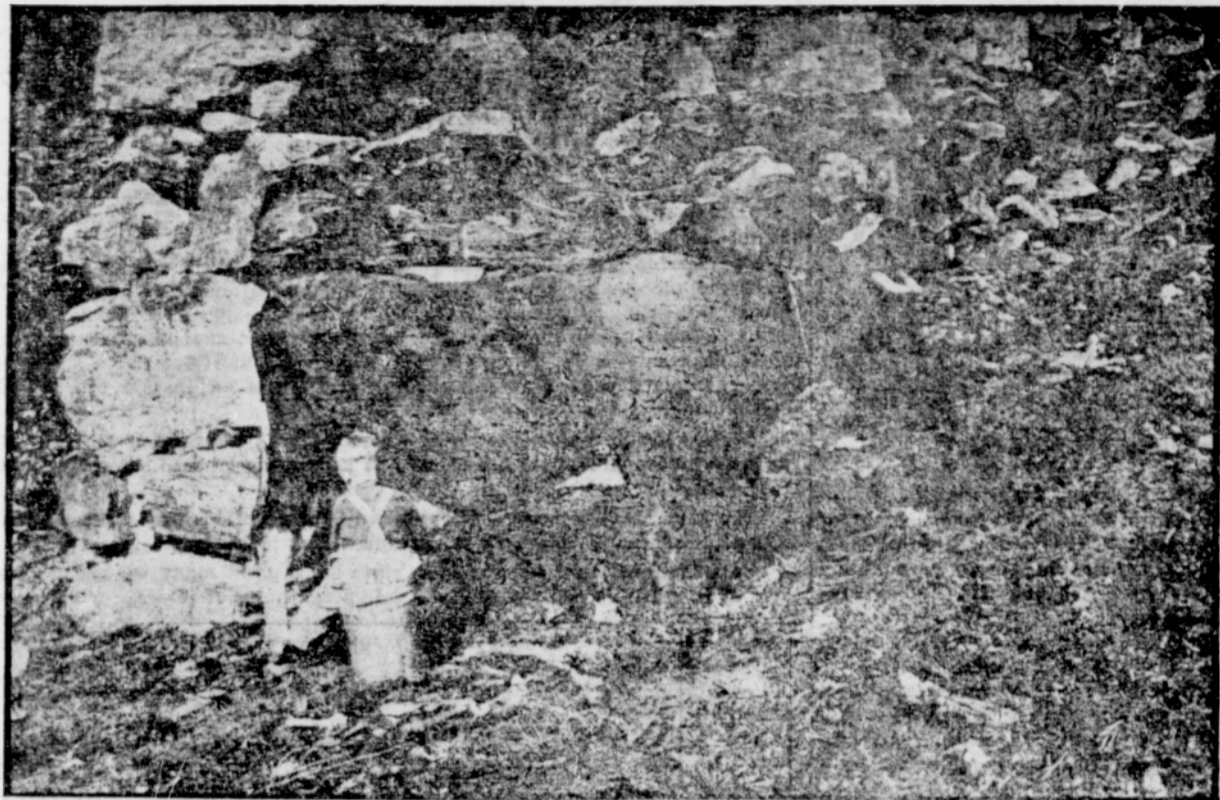
In a recent bulletin, published in this paper, from the University of Washington at Pullman, written by Professor H. L. Blanchard, the writer declared that the only cure for roup was to "cut off the chicken's head and get rid of her," thus preventing the spread of the disease.

From Mrs. H. P. Kinney, an Arlington, Wash., farmer, the Home and Farm Magazine section has received the following letter, which speaks for itself and which we commend to Professor Blanchard for his opinion:

Dear Editor:—I should like to answer H. L. Blanchard with a Roup Cure which we have used and know it to be very successful and recommend its use:

Take 1 oz. of nitrate of lead to 7 ozs. of water. With medicine dropper put in the eyes and throat. Take ½ lb. nitrate of lead to a tub of water and dip each chicken. Do this in the chicken house and spray the chicken house with what is left.

This receipt works. Mrs. H. B. Kinney.



Master George Foster Beard Milking at the Age of Three and One-Half Years.

## Business College Tends To Success

Mrs. P. M. Baldwin Tells How Studies Help the Pupils in Their Careers.

BY MRS. P. M. BALDWIN.

**T**HERE is perhaps no one thing our young people need so much as thorough business training.

It is said that 90 per cent of the business men of this day and age are failures. Wherein lies the trouble? In nine cases out of ten, there is a lack of system—a lack of preparation for business. Careful training will remedy this evil.

Few young people realize the blessing they enjoy in living at a time when they can take a course in a business college, and get the training in a few months' time which it took their fathers as many years to acquire in the school of experience.

### College 11 Years Old.

At Portland, Oregon, is located the Behnke-Walker Business College, occupying the old Y. M. C. A. building, at Fourth near Morrison streets. The fact that this institution was founded only 11 years ago seems almost incredible, considering the size, the equipment of the school and the number of students enrolled.

The school occupies about one-half acre of school room, and in addition to this, a new typewriting room on the fourth floor is to be ready for occupancy this fall.

Visiting the different shorthand, typewriting, bookkeeping and telegraph rooms, and seeing so many students at work so earnestly, preparing for business life, one cannot help feeling that it bodes well for the future of the Pacific Northwest.

### System Is Watchword.

System is the watchword throughout the departments.

A careful record is kept of attendance, students being required to make out tardy blanks when late and excuse blanks on leaving school at irregular hours, which must be O. K'd. at the office.

Behnke-Walker fills a need in the community—actual business methods are taught. Here, too, is a place for a class of students who have not completed the course in the public school, who want more education, and yet feel that they are overgrown and out of place in the public schools. The work is arranged especially to help these. With students enrolling at any time during the year and having such a difference in education to begin the work in a business college, it was necessary to formulate some plan to take care of all. Hence, the work is arranged so that a great deal of individual instruction can be given—so that one student

one student is not embarrassed because of lack of educational advantages previous to enrollment, and so that each student may progress as rapidly as his ability and efforts will permit. The wisdom of this plan has been demonstrated. University graduates and those from the grades work side by side.

### Good Work Done.

Good work is being done and a business-like atmosphere is felt on every side.

Frequent talks to the students are given on various subjects from politics to dress, by the president of the college and by business men and women.

A choral class has been organized under the direction of Dr. Euna, one of the leading musicians in this section, and students who desire the instruction may join the class.

When the baseball season opened, a baseball club was organized in the college. In this way good clean sport is encouraged among the students.

The position question—the placing of students—is one that receives a great deal of attention. Many a student wants a position, but could not hold it if he had it. Few business houses will take a young man or young woman and train them for business. They think a young person should perfect his training before applying for any position. They can get some one who has been trained, so why should they bother to train anyone?

The management of the school confer with business men to learn just what the business men want, and just what they do not want, in employees, and govern themselves accordingly in planning the work of the school.

### Students Are Placed.

If the students would do the work assigned in a careful, painstaking way, and thus prepare themselves for a position, they would be placed. The number of calls the college receives for competent help is far in excess of the number placed. When a student is put in a position, the college wants to be able to guarantee that he will prove satisfactory to his employer, and thus a credit to the school and himself.

It may be of interest to many to know that seven of the girls who ran for Queen of the Rose Festival are Behnke-Walker girls who did good work while in college and are making a creditable record in their present positions.

The seven Behnke-Walker Business College girls were: Matilda Peterson, City Hall; Minnie Smith, Ladies of the Maccabees; Helen Fitzgerald, S. P. & S.; Lina Ostervold, Woodmen of the World;

Dalles Perkins, Women of Woodcraft; Alice Husby, P. R. L. & P. Co.; Sadie Vigus, Portland Ad Club.

### Students All Over West.

Behnke-Walker students are holding positions with every large concern in Portland; in fact, these students are "making good" in every section of the Northwest.

Behnke-Walker training has become a synonym for thorough business training among the business men of this section, through the untiring efforts of the president, I. M. Walker, who states that his aim in building up a big business college was not only to make good bookkeepers and good stenographers, but to build character—to have students leave the college with a broad view of life and its responsibilities.

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