



THE PROD THAT SPURS US ON

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Chorde crawled through the snow, his wife driven by necessity, striving to formulate a plan of procedure.

Then when he got around again when he was fit for a long, hard trail again, he would leave Mrs. MacFarlane—that was—and start for Kelly's.

Yes, he would start for Kelly's, but he wouldn't stop at all his many, many miles lay between him and the hand full of ashes that he would leave behind.

Chorde was less than a hundred yards from MacFarlane's cabin when his plan matured. And then, as though MacFarlane had heard his muttering thoughts, a rifle bullet roared out from the cabin window and whizzed above his head!

Instinctively Chorde ducked. He stopped crawling and his right hand fumbled at his belt. He cursed. The rifle roared again.

Chorde dug down into the snow, his sharpened wits laboring resentfully. What was MacFarlane's idea? He had never done anything to MacFarlane. And if he wanted to shoot at him, why didn't he come out into the open?

A moment later, Chorde raised his hand and poured five shots into the cabin, aiming for the window, but the whining lead still picked at him.

Allan MacFarlane was stark, staring mad. His wife was dead, and to his insane mind that crawling man out there was a thiefing mob trying to rob him of his own, and his aim was as wild as his wife's.

An hour passed. Chorde reloaded his revolver and crawled out of the hole in the snow. Of the thirty-two screaming bullets not one had struck within a yard of him. Besides, it was quicker to die by lead than by frost. He crossed that hundred yards.

MacFarlane jerked open the door, threw down the muzzle of his rifle and pulled the trigger. He missed. Chorde answered ended the shooting, and he crawled into the cabin.

When the edge of daylight described the stars, Chorde pulled MacFarlane's body away from the door and dragged the toboggan. It was ten miles to Kelly's. Every time Chorde's right hand and left knee plunged down into the snow, he lurched ahead twenty inches.

Every time Chorde's left hand and right knee plunged down into the snow, Chorde lurched ahead twenty inches. He made twenty-six lurches a minute. So Chorde made a mile every two hours. And behind him on a toboggan rode the Prod.

No matter what our urge may be, or whether we have an urge or not, the Prod we have always with us, spurring us on.

It was the Prod that got Chorde. Born in the smudge of a California gold-rush dance-hall, spawn of a frowsy doxy and a mule-muscled flat-head, Chorde was patently a mistake.

Principally beef, he inherited from his mother the cunning of necessity; from his father, the silliness and ferocity of a starving wolf; and from both, the hellish viciousness of primitive brains—crawl with stupefied whisky. To the lean and bitter years of a wasted youth he added other corruptions; till at thirty-three remained but the massive frame and the virus of the Klondike gold strike.

He didn't possess a stimulus—only the shadow. His was the mere love of gold because it was gold. Like Midas, he loved the greasy feel of it, the yellow glint of it, the dead weight of it; but there, Midaslike again, his love came to a full and self-satisfying stop.

He was too low in the intellectual order to realize that the love for gold is but a means to an end. So he lived to gather gold; to feel it, glare at it, weigh it in his filthy paws; then, after he had gloated his fill, to convert it into a liquid hell to pour down his roaring throat.

FARM STOCK

HOGS ON LESS CORN INCREASES PROFITS

If there is one universal principle of swine production it is that "You can't make money in hogs without grass."

This means, of course, pasture for summer and roughage of some kind during the winter. Raising hogs on less corn—which means feeding them supplements not so costly—is a subject concerning many farmers.

Results of experiments conducted by the animal husbandry department at South Dakota State college indicate that the introduction of alfalfa hay into the ration for hogs materially reduces the amount of corn required to produce a given amount of pork.

In two trials conducted recently, one lot of pigs was fed only corn and tankage. Another lot was fed corn and tankage, linseed meal, and chopped alfalfa hay. Where it required 357 pounds of corn and 43 pounds of tankage to produce 100 pounds of gain in the first lot, it required 225 pounds of corn, 25 pounds of tankage, 125 pounds of linseed meal, and 125 pounds of alfalfa hay in the second lot.

Several experiment stations recommend chopped alfalfa only for use as a hog ration. To find out if whole alfalfa hay could be substituted, a test was run at the South Dakota college farm. Three lots of hogs were fed chopped hay, while three other lots received good alfalfa hay in a rack.

The results to date indicate that the pigs made approximately as good gains when the uncut hay was fed as when the hay was chopped. Further trials will be conducted along this line before final recommendations can be made.

"If our present results are borne out in further trials, it will be of great importance to the farmers of South Dakota," A. H. Kuhlman of the animal husbandry department points out. "If choice alfalfa hay fed in racks will produce gains approximately as good as obtained in feeding chopped hay, many farmers in this state will be in a position to increase their returns from feeding pigs in the winter months. The addition of alfalfa hay has increased the daily gains in every instance; in fact, the average gains made by the pigs on trial compare very well with those made by pigs on forage during the summer."

DAIRY FACTS

GIVE DAIRY HEIFER BEST OF ATTENTION

Well-bred dairy heifers that have been well fed while carrying their first calf should freshen in good condition, but some may have calved under the whole udder may be caked, or one-quarter or one side. Still others may have a round, hard place on the bottom or in the rear. Where large secondary records are desired it is sometimes the practice to make no attempt to remove this swelling, trusting it will milk down and increase the per cent of fat. Where high protein feed is started too soon after calving with this kind of an udder, these hard places never disappear.

If one side is large or the swelling is low down in the rear, a tilted udder is the result. If it is bulging on the bottom, a broken-down udder is bound to follow, going a little lower with each succeeding calving.

In some cases it may go so low that it is not possible to milk the cow from one side. The result is no one wants such an animal to milk or for a breeder. After studying the conditions that cause udders to lose their natural shape and get more deformed with each calving, we are interested to know how to check these conditions before the udder is ruined.

When a heifer's udder is badly swollen before calving, feed only light, laxative feeds for a few days before and after freshening, such as bran, ground oats, oil meal, beet pulp, or fresh beets with good legume hay and silage.

Having provided the right feeds, reduce the swelling in the udder as soon after freshening as possible. Next in importance is to get all the milk at all times. Good milkers always massage each quarter with one hand and milk with the other to bring down the last drop of milk. This is a quicker and more thorough way than thumb and finger stripping. Get the inflammation out soon after calving and always get all the milk if you want good udders that will stand crowding for any kind of records.

If you expect a heifer to do her best as a full-age cow, feed her liberally during this first lactation and as soon as her udder seems normal. If possible, milk her three times a day for at least a part of her lactation.—F. H. Peabody, Cornell College of Agriculture.

Pasture Rotation Keeps Lamb Parasites Checked

The belief of progressive sheepmen that pasture rotation reduces the ravages of parasites among sheep and lambs received a scientific test last year at the Beltsville (Md.) farm operated by the United States Department of Agriculture. According to the report of the chief of the bureau of animal industry, just issued, that belief is correct. The government investigators found that a systematic rotation of forage-crop pastures enables lambs to reach market weight without visible effects of parasitic infestation.

Pure Bred Pig Rivals Mythical Goose Story

The goose that is alleged to have laid a golden egg every day has a close rival in present-day pure bred live stock. Judging from a report from a pig-club boy in South Carolina. "Five years ago last March," he states in a letter to the United States Department of Agriculture, "I joined a pig club that our county agent organized in this county. I had a pure bred pig then eight weeks old. Since that time she has farrowed about 100 pigs. She paid for my clothes three years in high school and gave me spending money also. I am now in my second year in college and she is still doing the same."

The owner of this pig is now participating in the "Better-Sire Better-Stock" campaign for the improvement of domestic animals and urges that the advantages of well-bred stock be kept constantly before the public.

Mold in Oat Sprouter

The easiest method of stopping mold in the oat sprouter is to add ten drops of formalin to the water that is used to soak six quarts of oats or a similar proportion to other amounts. The formalin does not injure the feeding qualities of the oats, but helps to check the mold. In addition to the use of formalin, care should be exercised in keeping the containers sweet by cleaning. The use of only heavy oats will remove many which will not sprout.

Buying Foundation Cows

Men who must buy cows for foundation purposes or for replacement in herds already established have varying degrees of success. Buying cows involves time, expense and judgment and concerns both the buyer and the seller, both of whom should possess trading qualities if they are to succeed. Both should have a fair knowledge of the characteristics of a good cow and of cattle values for different ages and varying degrees of excellence.

DAIRY FACTS

WATER FOR DAIRY COWS

It is cheaper to heat water for dairy cows with a good tank heater than to compel them to change ice water to body heat by consuming extra grain, according to Dean Larsen of South Dakota State college. He asserts that when the cow is required to change about 80 pounds of water daily from freezing temperature to that of the body, or 102 degrees Fahrenheit, much of the feed she has eaten for milk production is necessarily diverted to keeping up bodily heat.

"Grain is too expensive to use as a fuel for heating water," declares Professor Larsen, "and the body of the cow is altogether too useful for other purposes than that of being used as a stove. Furthermore, when a cow is compelled to drink ice cold water she is usually obliged to stand in frosty air; thus she is not only heating the water she drinks but she is also trying to heat the universe. This is impossible from a standpoint of getting economic returns from the cow."

"Get a tank heater. A good serviceable heater may be purchased for a reasonable sum and a considerable amount of waste material may be burned in it, such as waste boards, cobs, etc."

Dairy Facts

A dairy barn doesn't need to be costly to be clean.

May is usually the best time to sell fat cows. Silage balanced with cottonseed cake is a cheap ration.

If a cow gives less than 200 pounds of butter a year she is hardly a great profit producer. Unfortunately there are those that do.

Do not milk cows completely dry for 48 hours after calving. This method lessens danger of milk fever. Feed sparingly the first few days.

Seasons during which the cows do not secure the normal amount of minerals are usually followed by a large number of retained afterbirths among the cows fed on the feeds produced during such seasons.

A good hog house should be fairly warm in winter; should have a dry floor; which is sanitary, comfortable and easily kept clean; should be well ventilated to keep the walls dry and carry out the moist air; should be properly lighted to allow a good supply of direct sunlight; and should be free from drafts.

Always figure on having hogs ready for the highest market of the year, then sell when ready. After a hog is finished, gains in weight are slow and costly.

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Panama Hat Not Bleached.

A good Panama hat is never bleached after being woven. Those of superior grade are the original color of the little strips of leaves from a dwarf palm-tree plant that grows in those countries of Central and South America where the natives weave the best hats.

Must Watch His Step.

It takes a shrewd political orator to avoid saying something that would give the other side a good argument.—Boston Transcript.

Impatient.

Tramp—"Your honor, would you mind hurrying up my case a little? It's nearly twelve o'clock and if I'm going to go to jail I'd like to get there in time for dinner."

Indian Deserves Honor.

To some nameless Indian the world owes the discovery of that great remedy, quinine, used in the treatment of malaria and many other disorders of the human body.

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Belladonna is Italian for "fair lady," and the drug was given this name because Italian women employed the juice for staining their skin and to beautify the eyes by giving them a glistening appearance.

Danger in Inactivity.

"Do man dat does nuffin' but sit around waitin' for good times," said Uncle Eben, "is liable to fall asleep and miss 'em."—Washington Star.

Bamboo Seeds and Honey.

A delicacy much prized by the Hindu consists of bamboo seeds, roasted and afterward mixed with honey.—Springfield Republican.

Hello Daddy—don't forget my packages! Slip a package in your pocket when you go home to-night. Give the youngsters this wholesome, long-lasting sweet for pleasure and benefit.

Railroad Man Knew the Value of Diplomacy

"See here, guard," whispered a timid-looking man on a station platform. "I want the compartment to myself. Do you think you can manage to see that I'm not disturbed?" And he placed one hand on the carriage door and the other suggestively in his pocket.

"Well, sir," replied the guard. "I did think of putting another couple in there. They've been sort of getting into trouble, y'know, but I dare say they'll be quiet and harmless. They'll be linked together."

But that was quite enough. With visions of desperate criminals in his mind, the timid little man chose another compartment, and tipped the guard for the hint. A few minutes later that same guard pocketed another tip as he smilingly locked a newly married couple in a train.—Edinburgh Scotsman.

Utah Rich in Coal

The whole of the United States could be supplied with coal from Utah's resources alone for 250 years, experts say.

Browning on Phonograph

One of the most remarkable phonograph records ever made is in the collection owned by Thomas A. Edison inventor of the phonograph. The record was made when Robert Browning, the poet, attempted to recite "How They Brought the Good News From Ghent to Aix," one of his own poems, at a dinner. After the first few lines, Browning faltered and confessed, "So sorry, I cannot remember it."

There follows a pause; then the poet recites a few further lines, to end abruptly with, "It's no good!" The applause of those around him is still preserved in the record, which was made more than forty years ago.

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