

The Farm News Department

Special Page Devoted to the Farming Interests of Crawford County, Wherein the News of the Farmer and Stock Raiser is Chronicled From Week to Week.

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FEED AND EXERCISE THE SOWS

We know of one breeder in Crawford county, and we suppose there are many others, who gives his sows two miles of forced exercise every day. Twice each day this herd is driven a mile to their feed. Some one has asked the question, "What are the most essential factors in the successful management of the brood sows at the time of farrowing?" E. L. Quife, extension professor in animal husbandry at Iowa State college, believes proper feed and plenty of exercise will prevent the usual trouble. He says: "It is important to feed right. The high price of tankage is keeping farmers from feeding this protein feed to their sows. Corn silage is not sufficient because it is low in protein and mineral content. The experiments at Iowa State college go to show that where 1/4 pound of tankage is fed along with corn, the pigs weighed 1/4 of a pound more at birth and were stronger than the pigs from the corn and silage. Alfalfa or clover hay are good feeds to furnish protein and bulk. A liberal supply of mineral matter must also be supplied in the form of salt, soft coal, lime and wood ashes.

"Exercise is also an important factor. It does the sows good to run in winter in the corn field or be obliged to go a considerable distance from the sleeping quarters for their feed. The inactive sow is usually constipated and feverish at the time of farrowing and most of the trouble encountered at this time can be traced to lack of exercise and faulty ration."

HOME GROWN FEEDS ARE BEST

Commercial chicken feeds to stimulate egg production are not used by the majority of the leading poultry men of the state. This is shown by a recent survey made by the poultry extension men of Iowa State college.

A questionnaire was sent out to the leading poultry men of the state and 57 replies were received. Of these, 44 stated they were 34 who had never used commercial feeds for stimulating egg production. Of the 23 who had used commercial feeds, 11 stated that they believed the feeds were valuable and the other 12 stated that the feeds were not beneficial.

The Iowa poultry department at Ames recommends the following:

Scratch feed, 2 parts corn, 1 part of wheat and 1 of oats.

Dry mash, 1 part ground corn, 2 parts ground oats, 1 part gluten, 3/4 tankage, 1/2 milk or buttermilk could take the place of tankage.

Green feeds, as cabbage, sprouted clover, steamed alfalfa hay are beneficial. Fresh clean water is essential. Gravel or crushed stone are necessary for grit. Cracked shell supplies the hen with material needed to form egg shells.

SELECT CLEAN BEEF CATTLE

According to S. H. Thompson, farm management administrator at Iowa college, there is a great amount of money being made by farmers as to just how the government ruling applies to depreciation of farm property.

Depreciation of buildings, fences and other improvements is a logical charge against the farm and should be claimed as a deduction in the income tax returns. The depreciation is found by dividing the cost of the property by its life years of the machine. Thus if a binder costs \$150 and will last ten years the annual depreciation is 15 and the total is 150 for ten years.

Article 17 of the tax laws, No. 15 states that reasonable amounts for depreciation may be claimed for farm buildings (other than dwelling occupied by the taxpayer) and for improvements or physical property, including livestock purchased for draft, dairy or breeding purposes, but no claim for depreciation on livestock raised or purchased for resale will be allowed.

Again in Article 103 it is stated "The cost of incidental repairs which neither materially add to the value of the property nor appreciably prolong its life may be deducted as expense."

No arbitrary rule has been laid down for determining depreciation and none can be. The taxpayer should claim that he conscientiously believes he is entitled to receive for depreciation in accordance with the excerpts quoted above from the regulations.

WAYS TO BETTER LIVESTOCK

From an analysis of enrollment records in the "Better Sires—Better Stock" campaign during the past three years at the United States department of agriculture present figures showing that:

When Blood Is Bad

Granite Falls, Minn.—"During one of the worst periods I had varicose veins, which were extremely painful. A couple of bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription completely cured me of this condition and my system was toned up and I had comparatively no suffering. An old lady recommended Dr. Pierce's remedies to me a couple of years before when one of my children had a solid crust of scabs on his head. She told me that it was because my blood was in poor condition so I took Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery to purify my blood and at the same time gave my baby a few drops several times a day. The effect was wonderful and in a very short time he was a healthy looking baby and had a fine head of hair."—MRS. JOHN M. THOMPSON.

FROM GIRLHOOD UP

Centerville, Iowa—"I have suffered terribly at times since girlhood. I was advised to try Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, and when I took the first dose I began to improve. I took only three bottles of it and was cured. Have had five children and have been in good health since. I have frequently recommended the 'Prescription' to others. My sister has also had good results from it."—MRS. FRANK BURNS, 727 E. Grant St.

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the animal. The Pruters are bound to have the very best stock going and are not sparing any expense.

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John A. Schemmel, of Alford, sold his 53 acre farm adjoining Alford to E. F. Schlumbohn, of Lester, for a cash consideration of \$600 per acre. Mr. Schemmel bought the land in 1917 for \$228 per acre.

PURE BREED COLUMN

A Directory Published for the Benefit of Those Who May be Seeking Foundation Stock for Their Herds.

- IDEAL DUROC HERD
 - The Home of Big Type Duroc Jersey Swine For Sale—Choice Fall and Spring Boars
 - Fred Knop, Charter Oak, Iowa
- BIRKHOFFER BROTHERS
 - Dow City, Iowa
- HAMPSHIRE HOGS
 - Stock of all ages for sale.
- ALBERT WEISS
 - Denison, Iowa
 - Purebred HAMPSHIRE HOGS
- CHESTER WHITE HOGS
 - Barred Plymouth Rock Chickens
 - Baby Chickens in Season
 - P. H. SHERIDAN, Vail, Iowa
- FOR SALE: 8 spring boars, 1 fall boar, 1 aged boar. Brood sow sale will be held in February.
- CLAUDE McDONALD, Phone 414, Dow City, Iowa
- HIGH VIEW FARM
 - Purebred Poland China hogs.
 - A few bred sows and gilts for sale. Good ones.
 - WILLIAM KUEHL & SON, Kenwood, Iowa
 - Postoffice, Rout. 1, Dow City, Iowa
- SUNNYSIDE STOCK FARM
 - Ray H. McCullough, Prop.
 - Purebred Duroc Jersey Swine
 - Young Stock for sale at all times.
 - Head headed by one of best sows of King Orion Cherry. Phone 99-1
 - Vail, Iowa.
- MAPLE GROVE STOCK FARM
 - Clair Nicholson Prop.
 - Purebred Hampshire Hogs
 - Phone 7-B
 - Postoffice, Route 2, Denison
- THE RIDGEVIEW FARM
 - Sow Sale February 11th
 - Large Type Duroc Jersey Hogs
 - Have few White Orpington Cockerels for sale—\$2.50 each
 - C. A. CHRISTIANSEN, Route 1, Denison, Iowa
- W. K. DOBLER
 - Vail, Iowa
 - Sale of Purebred Duroc Jersey sows February 11th
 - Head to be finished Feb. 11th
- A. C. WHITE
 - Route 21 Vail, Iowa
 - Low weight, extra brood
 - Four Fall and Two Spring
 - POLAND CHINA BOARS
 - C. A. CHRISTIANSEN, Route 1, Denison, Iowa
- COUNCIL HILL FARM
 - Big Type Poland Chinas
 - Watch for further announcement
 - CHAS. SPECK, Denison, Iowa

Public Sale

Having rented my farm and moving to Denison, I will sell at public sale on my place 5 miles northwest of Denison and 5 miles northeast of Kenwood, 2 miles south of six mile house, the old George Beck farm, on

Wednesday, Feb. 18

Commencing at 10 o'clock, the following property:

6—HEAD OF HORSES—6

Team of gray mares 6 and 10 years old, weight about 3200; sorrel mare 9 years old, weight about 1200; bay gelding 11 years old, weight 1400; roan 2 years old; roan 1 year old.

44 HEAD OF CATTLE 44

Eleven much cows fresh and the rest will be fresh soon; 4 heifers 2 years old; 6 steers 2 years old; 12 yearling steers; 4 spring calves; 6 young calves; registered Hereford bull 5 years old.

Forty head of Shoats, about 15 dozen chickens; 1 goat; stack prairie hay, about 6 to 8 tons; stack timothy hay, about 3 tons; some hay in barn.

FARM MACHINERY, ETC.—Four horse power Stover gas engine; feed grinder with 8 in. burr; McCormick binder, 7 ft cut; Emerson Standard mower; Case corn planter with 100 rods of wire; pulverizer; 2 Moline cultivators; disc cultivator; Robinson manure spreader; Fleming hay stacker with buck; hay rake; 2 farm wagons; iron truck wagon; bob sled, good as new; single seated buggy; 2 seated carriage; riding plow; one 14 in. and one 16 in. stirring plow; 3 section harrow; Weber fanning mill; 150 ft. hay stacker cable; 2 sets harness; DeLaval separator, No. 15; soft coal heater; some household goods and other articles too numerous to mention.

USUAL TERMS FREE LUNCH AT NOON

Thomas Thomsen

WINKING & DUNDAN, Auctioneers, DENISON, IOWA. FARMERS STATE BANK, Clerks

Bred Sow Sale

Wednesday, 18, '20

February 18, 1920

50 Bred Sows and Fall and Spring Gilts

to be sold in hog barn at Pleasant Hill Farm 6 1/2 miles southwest of Odebolt, 4 1/2 miles north of Kiron, 4 1/2 miles south and 1 mile east of Arthur, 12 miles west and 1/4 mile south of Wall Lake.

The Offering Consists of 16 Tried Sows, 19 Fall Gilts and 15 Spring Gilts

15 sell bred to King Orion Cherry Jr., 29 of his big type daughters sell; 31 head sell bred to Orion Great Sensation 2nd, one of the largest and tallest boars of the breed; 4 sell bred to Long Pathfinder Jr., a crack son of Long Pathfinder.

If you want to be a leader in Durocs come to this sale. Dinner will be served at noon. E. B. Trickle sale Feb. 17 at Sac City. Plan to attend both sales.

J. L. McIlrath and A. S. Tequist, Auctioneers
Terms Cash. C. S. Cathcart, Clerk, Farmers Savings Bank
Send for Catalog at Kiron, Iowa

B. A. Samuelson & Son

TUNBERG & LINMAN

POLAND CHINAS

A COMBINATION SALE TO BE HELD IN A HEATED SALE PAVILION AT IDA GROVE, IOWA, ON

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18

45 HEAD—10 SOWS AND 35 GILTS—45 HEAD

These sows are mostly yearlings and raised two litters of pigs this year. They will not be fat, but in good breeding condition, weighing up to 700 pounds. They are all large, high, long and smooth. Good mothers.

Sired by Expander, Prince Albert by George's Wonder, Long Big Bone by Big Price 228247, Smooth Lad by Smooth Big Bone, Ring Master by Grand Master.

The gilts are sired by Col. Jack 2d by Col. Jack, Tim Jones by F's Big, Jones, the sensational grand champion boar at Iowa state fair, 1919; Omaha Again by Omaha, Price's Big King, Leader Chief.

The sows and gilts are bred to Omaha Again by Omaha, a boar with wonderful length and bone, Orange Bob by Big Bob, Mc's Big Price Jr., first prize junior at Interstate fair, 1919; Quiet Dale Chief, junior champion at Buena Vista fair, 1919; Price's Big King, grand champion at Ida county Live stock show, third place at Interstate fair, 1918, second, 1919. He has proven to be an outstanding good sire as you will see some big type gilts sired by him. Arthur by Omaha, Long Orange by Orange Boy.

The tried sows are all good mothers, raised large litters and are good sucklers. The entire herd are big type, high backed, right up on the toes.

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