

## Canadian Dairy Herds Do Well at the National

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lacked also as compared with the first and was decided in the rear udder. No one would have quarrelled with the judges, however, had she gone up. But the best dairy animal would have gone down. Ness was third and fifth on Drumatine Farm, Maywood Farm, Barbara 2nd, and Wendover fourth on a Ryanco heifer.

Senior yearling heifers were a problem. Undoubtedly the quality animal of the lot was Burnside Handy 2nd, first at Toronto and Ottawa. In every point except size and fit she was the superior heifer because of these two points and a bruised back which interfered with her walk, she went down to fifth place. Wendover Farm was first on a very mature, big heifer, while Seitz was a close second. The same heifer was fourth and Ness sixth. The junior yearling class gave Wendover first, Seitz second and third, and Ness fourth. There were 13 entries in the senior calf class. It was a Seitz class, the Wisconsin herd securing 1st, 2nd and 4th on nice uniform stuff, well fitted. Ness 3rd and 5th, and Ian 5th. The junior class produced the junior champion in a Seitz heifer, Cavalier's Silver Actress. It was a win on 1st. Ness was 2nd and 3rd, and Seitz 4th and 5th.

Maple Leaf Jean scored a nice triumph for McMillan in the official yearly record class, earning first in score for both production and conformation. She has 13,352 lbs. milk in the year. Wendover Farm was second, Seitz was third and on a cow with 13,356 lbs. milk. Ness had only his grand champion cow in this section, but her Scotch records were not acceptable. He secured fourth on Burnside Maggie Finlayson 5th.

## Group Awards.

For the first time the judges refused to agree when it came to placing the aged herds. Seitz and Ness were very evenly balanced. A referee was called in, Dr. Cockrane, of Barclay Farms, Pennsylvania, and he secured 1st. McMillan was third and Seitz fourth. In young herd and breeders' calf herd, Seitz was 1st and Ness 2nd. In get of first Seitz got 1st, 3rd and 4th, Ness 2nd and 6th on Hobeland Masterpiece. In produce of cow, McMillan was first, Seitz 2nd and 4th, and Ness 3rd.

In the class for a dairy herd, five animals in milk, Ness again came to the front and had a walk away. In a special prize for a group of 10 animals from any State or Province the combined herds of Ness and McMillan carried the honors for Quebec against Wisconsin and New Jersey. It was one of the most spectacular wins of the day.

## HOLSTEINS AT COLUMBUS

WHEEN Mr. Moscrop, of Minnesota, judged the Holsteins at the Canadian National last September. Farm and Dairy asked him how the entries at Toronto compared with corresponding classes at the National Dairy Show. He replied that in most classes there would be better results at the National Dairy Show, of high quality throughout, the Canadian show was fully the equal of the National. As there were only 69 Holsteins at Columbus last week it would be hard to compare the two shows. Toronto had over 200 this year, and seldom drops below 150 entries in the white and white classes. Unquestionably, however, the Toronto Columbus is a goodly number of classes, would have won a similar position at Toronto. There were also animals that would not have had a look in at Toronto, and considering the much greater competition at Toronto, the Canadian show is by all means the most interesting in other years, however, entries at Columbus are at least twice as numerous with correspondingly greater interest. The absence of Mr. Hulet, also, robbed the Holstein classes of international interest. The exhibitors were B. R. Ha-

gar, Algonquin, Illinois; Maywood Farms, Rochester, Minn.; Case Farm, Co., Sumner, Iowa; Chestnut & Sons, Danvers, Kansas; M. R. Evans, Hickley, Illinois; H. O. LeGrand, Iowa; Lamb & Moon, Bowling Green, Ohio; A. R. Black & Sons, Lansing, Michigan; Daisy Hill Cattle, Shreveville, Ohio, and M. J. Seberich, Indiana. Many of these had but only one or two entries. Almost without exception all entries were exceptionally well fitted.

Mature bulls brought out two sensational entries—Johanna's Bonheur 2nd, owned by Chestnut & Sons, and Paul Calamo 3rd, exhibited by Haeger. In conformation, quality and size both were models for their breed. The Kansas entry had a little advantage in style of carriage and got first, and the grand champion ship. Maywood Farm was third on a big dairy looking bull, but not smooth enough. The three-year-olds brought out the winner in King Aagzie Henrich, a stylish bull, but with hardly as much capacity as Johanna McKinley 4th, shown by Haeger. Both were right and good bulls. The Evans entry in third place was one of the roughest bulls we ever saw in the show ring. The junior champion was won by Maywood Farm's Johanna Glenda Lad, a beautifully done bull, straight in his lines and awards to be felt. Other male awards follow:

Bull, 2 yrs. old: 1, Fayne Bessie King Segis Pontiac, Cass Farm Co.; 2, Pearl Bull, 1 yr. old: 1, Johanna Glenda Lad, Maywood Farm; 2, Aconeth King Segis Pontiac, Haeger.

Bull, senior calf: 1, and 4, Haeger; 2, Maywood Farm; 3, Lamb & Moon. Bull, junior calf, 9 entries: 1, M. Maywood Farms; 2, Cass Farm Co.; 3, Haeger; 4, Daisy Hill Farm; 5, Evans; 6, Black.

## Holstein Female Classes.

Minerva Bessie, Haeger's 13-year-old cow, was this year grand champion of the National Dairy Show for the fifth consecutive year. We had anticipated seeing a model cow, and we were not disappointed. She was a beautiful head and neck, a straight top line, the tail head, great capacity, and a like a glove. Where to improve her would have been a question. She was so good that she made a lot of other good cows in her class look almost mediocre. Altogether there were eight entries. The second place cow seemed to lack capacity for her high placing, and outside of the first cow we have seen stronger classes. There was no competition in the four and three-year-old classes.

In the heifer classes Mr. Haeger was almost a consistent winner. Two-year-olds brought out seven entries; hardly a uniform class, but with four lines brought out the top. Senior yearling heifers were a very nice heifer as we ever saw together. A class of Ayrshires could not have been more uniform. Junior yearlings were four in number and very good. The sensation of the calf classes was K. S. P. Tantalus Calamo, a daughter of King Segis Pontiac, shown by Haeger. She was as sweet and true as a calf very well built, and Mr. Moscrop has all out in the "I'm examining her." "The best heifer I have seen this fall," he announced. In the group classes, as in the females, Mr. Haeger was predominant. Awards in full follow:

## Heaviest Awards: Female.

Cow, 5 yrs. and over: 1, Minerva Bessie, Haeger; 2, Almedia Lucke Haenger, Cass Farms; 3, Fernwood DeKok, Maywood Farm; 4, Segis Walker Gelsche, Haeger; 5, Netherland Clothilde Idyl Burke, Haeger; 6, Frilly Clothilde DeKok, Haeger.

Cow, 4 yrs.: Aconeth Lady Haenger, Haeger.

Cow, 3 yrs.: Nancy Calamo Korn-dyke, Haeger.

Heifer, 2 yrs.: 1 and 5, Lady Calamo Haenger and Tantalus Calamo Korn-dyke, Haeger; 2 and 3, Almedia Lucke Haenger 5th and Mercedes Aaltje Johanna, Cass Farms; 4, Johanna Ondine Seo, Maywood Farm; 5, Haeger, senior yearling; 1, Evans; 2 and 5, Maywood Farm; 3, Cass Farm; 4, Haeger.

Heifer, junior yearling: 1 and 2, Haeger; 3, Cass Farms; 4, Evans. Heifer, senior calf: 1, 4 and 5, Cass Farms; 2, Maywood Farm; 3, Haeger; 4, Evans.

Heifer, junior calf: 1 and 5, Haeger; 2 and 4, Cass Farms; 3 and 6, Maywood Farm.

## THE BROWN SWISS

Is the Brown Swiss a dairy breed? They were judged at Columbus the same day as the Ayrshires, and between classes the Ayrshire fanciers, sure of the status of their own breed, discussed the proper classification of this, the newest breed, at the National. In all there were 56 entries, and the entire 56 there was only one that carried an udder which would have commended her to a fancier of any of the standard breeds. She was an old cow belonging to Hall Bros, Painesville, Ohio, and was only second in her class—somewhat underdone, it seemed. Almost all the other udders were extremely pendulous and the teats awkwardly large. Neither did the large, coarse frame suggest great powers of production. One of the Hall brothers showed the editor of Farm and Dairy some figures in production, however, which were astounding. The Hall herd are 30 cows in advanced registers. One of them has a yearly record of 17,559 lbs. of milk and 664 of fat. A two-year-old heifer has 13,173 lbs. of milk and 486 lbs. of fat; a three-year-old, 14,500 of milk and 549 of fat. S. Marshall & Sons, Leisle, Mich., had a cow at the fair with an official record of 17,420 lbs. milk and 624 lb. fat. These are good and creditable records and seem to justify the placing of the Brown Swiss on the prize list as a dairy breed.

Hall Bros. had the senior and grand champion bull, the junior champion bull, and the senior and grand champion cow. Marshall had the junior champion female. A third exhibitor was W. O. Bohart, Bozeman, Montana.

## GUERNSEYS AT COLUMBUS

GUERNSEYS are a numerous and a popular breed in the United States, occupying a place of third importance among the dairy breeds, being much more numerous than the Ayrshires. There have been years when they were more numerous represented at the National than any other breeds. This year there were just 57 Guernseys, the pick of seven herds. Among the exhibitors were Island Farm and D. D. Toney, of Minnesota; O. W. Lehen, Illinois; Raemelt Farm, and Davis Farms, Ohio, and Mountain Bros. and W. W. Marsh, of Iowa, and they were good cattle. It is safe to say that such an exhibition of Guernseys at the Canadian National as was shown at Columbus last week would stir up an interest in the neglected breed in the central provinces of Canada. They are as ready fairly well known in the Maritime provinces and in British Columbia.

The bulls were big, straight fellows with considerable more size than the Jersey. Probably they would be very much of a size with the Ayrshire breed. The cows exhibited were of good size, but none of them carried large, capacious udders that were characteristic of the milk classes in the other three breeds. Some, too, showed a tendency to set in the back. They must have a capacity for milk production, however, as six cows of

the breed had produced over 1,000 lbs. of fat in the year.

In the female classes, Lady Smith scrub, the mature bull and grand champion last year, was shown this year for D. D. Jenney. Mountain Bros. had the best two-year-old in Kitchener's Express. The junior champion was Cheryl's Lady, a yearling from the Marsh herd. Coming into the milk cow class was limited to three entries. The first prize and senior and grand champion was awarded to Bella 2nd on Grand Farm, by Island Farm. Jenney's Pearl's Dot in the four-year-old class, was a nice dairy animal, and Jenney won in two-year-olds and Marsh in three-year-olds. The junior female champion was found in the junior calf class—My Fidgete of the Prairie, exhibited by Marsh. In the group awards W. W. Marsh was almost uniformly successful.

## The Machinery Age

ONE OF Our Folks, living at Manitowish, Ont., has been sending her copies of Farm and Dairy across the ocean to be kept in England. A short article concerning the new machinery age attracted the attention of this brother across the sea, Mr. Thos. Clarvis, who writes us as follows:

"The three copies last received by me are May 8th, 1918, and in the paper for the 23rd you find an illustration of a huge tractor, drawing a large Cutaway disk harrow, and you ask the question, 'Is this prophetic of a coming machinery age?' My answer to this is that, to my mind, extremes in either direction are not productive of the best results. I would not like to think that we ought to go back to the so-called 'good old days,' when the scythe, the sickle and other crude tools, such as the flail, the old wood plow, and heavy wooden harrows, were used to do the work of the modern. Then it was when a man's arm and back and arms and clear of rheumatics, had to find the latitude and longitude of broad acres, with a seed hopper, filled with seed grain, in front of him, and had to evolve the good seed. That was one extreme. And somehow I seem to think the other extreme would be, shall I say, as bad. We do not want the remedy to be as bad as the complaint; therefore, if we can strike the happy medium, at which rate at present, I think that will be the best."

"I would not like to relegate the useful animal, the horse, to the equine scrap heap. He has not had his day yet. There is a lot of good work that horses can do better than anything else, and I would like to see the revived of keeping a couple of spare geldings, or preferably mares, and inquire your work on the farm driving your own horse, or a driving horse, or as the season came round you would then be ready to plow and sow, to reap and mow, at the proper time. I remember an afternoon farmland, you would be driving the horse or who kept cattle, or a horse, or a bankrupted cow. I have known several farmers who, instead of just keeping four horses to work 100 acres, kept six or eight, and of the six always had two mares in foal. To my mind that is the most commonsense way of farming. Breed and feed your own horses, cattle, sheep and hogs. Buy everything at the cheapest market, and sell at the dearest. Keep your weather forecast. Be a lover of home and fresh air. Go straight, and success will crown your efforts. Trusting you will accept my humble opinion for what it is worth."

Farmer: "Just hold that horse's head, while I get down, will you, Tom?"

New Land-worker: "Which one?"

Farmer: "Why, the off 'un, to be sure."

Land-worker: "I'm awfully sorry, but I don't know anything about horses, so I can't tell which one of them is an orphan!"