

## PICKERING FARMS JERSEYS



### BUTTERCUP'S BUTTER LAD

We wish to announce that at the recent National Jersey Auction Sale, held after the National Jersey Show at Shreveport, Louisiana, we purchased Buttercup's Butter Lad. This eight months old bull calf is sired by Flora's Queen's Raleigh, whose get have just completed the greatest winnings ever recorded to a bull in America. They won first prize for get of sire at the State fairs wherever shown; first again at Chicago, and lastly at the Final Jersey National Show at Shreveport. Longview Farms, owner of Flora's Queen's Raleigh, showed 25 head. Of these eighteen were the get of Flora's Queen's Raleigh. Thus with the get of one bull and all raised on one farm, competing against the pick of the Jersey world, Longview Farm swept the boards.

The dam of Buttercup's Butter Lad is Raleigh's Eminent Buttercup. It is the contention of Longview Farms and we absolutely agree with them after inspecting the cow, that for combined type and production, Raleigh's Eminent Buttercup is the greatest cow that the Jersey breed has yet produced. She broke four world's records for production; giving

85.9 lbs. milk in 24 hours.	
581 " " 7 days.	
2,184.7 " " 1 month.	
4,316.5 " " 2 months.	

She is now on test and will finish her year's work with 18,000 lbs. milk and about 950 lbs. butter.

Raleigh's Eminent Buttercup is one of the greatest show cows we have ever seen. We saw her standing side by side with Sly Puss, the recent grand champion at Chicago, and considered her by far the greater cow of the two. What a mother for a bull!

Buttercup's Butter Lad is an in-bred Raleigh. He will be used to cross on the daughters of Raleigh Meadowgrass.

Because this youngster is a line bred Raleigh and the cows in our herd are line-bred Raleighs also, consisting of generations of champions, we feel absolutely confident in selecting a calf to breed to our cows. We "simply can't go wrong."

We have always females for sale in any number, and can select bulls of exceptional merit to go with them.

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## Bob Jeffreys Comes Home.

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The new tin rooster on top of the barn threw a proud breast to the wind as he looked down upon the red paint that now brightened the barn and outbuildings.

"Just as soon as we get in a position to go in for pure-bred stock, Dad, I want to see a real up-to-date stock barn, warmly built, but with lots of light and ventilation, storm windows—"

"Storm windows!" echoed his father. "In the barn? Jumpin' Jupiter, Bob! What about hangin' up lace curtains an' makin' bed-room slippers for all the cows?"

"No, but I'm going to have smooth inside walls and whitewash 'em," laughed Robert. "And the stable floors will be concrete so that we can flush them out. There'll be no germ-laden dust in the air nor carbonic acid gas nor dampness, nor manure odors, nor rotting wood and deteriorating stable fittings."

"But the cow-testing, Dad—that's something we can start in on right away. I want to check up that herd. Some of those cows are not paying their board-bill."

To the college-bred son it was an amazing thing that a man who had farmed as long as his father had and had learned his farming by practical experience, should be so blind to the advancement of agriculture along scientific lines. Ezra Jeffreys had become so set in his ways that he had neglected all the splendid opportunities thrown in his path by the agricultural college extension work and the activities of the government departments of agriculture. The trouble was not hard to locate. His father did no reading—except the local weekly wherein he learned such wisdom as was contained in such items as "Henry Gray met with a bad accident last week when his automobile turned upside down on him;" or "Billy Turner was in town Wednesday and has gone to visit his sister in Toronto for a few days."

One of the first jobs to which he assigned his father, therefore, consisted of sitting in a comfortable rocker and reading from cover to cover every one of the many free bulletins and booklets issued by the Government.

"You say you haven't had time to read, Dad? Why, you can't afford not to. In five minutes you may run across a paragraph that will save you the price of a week's work! Read, read, read and get rid of the idea that "book farming" is no good. I'm subscribing for a good farm weekly that'll keep you posted on what's happening; for something's happening all the time in this farming business—things you should know outside the market reports. Farming is down to a science these days and you've got to study it."

They were exciting days that followed for the old man. He was as eager as a school boy. It was almost pathetic the way he hung upon his son's every word and ran to him for advice. When the new machinery arrived he walked around it many times, proud as Punch, interested in every time-saving device and anxious to test it out in actual operation. The little farm power plant was harnessed to the feed-cutter, the fanning-mill, the churn, the cream separator and the washing-machine. Work became a pleasure, and it was surprising how quickly and thoroughly it was done.

It was the day the new victrola arrived that the big idea was born in Pa's grizzled head. He came in from the repair shop and beckoned mysteriously to Mrs. Jeffreys, who promptly became as excited as he when he had whispered to her for awhile. For several days thereafter the two carried on much whispered consultation, and were mysteriously busy at such times as their son was not around.

So it came about that young Johnny rode his new bicycle up the driveway to the Atkinson place one night after school and handed an envelope with a prodigious wink to Miss Laura Atkinson.

"It's a surprise party for Bob," he vouchsafed. "Everybody for miles is comin' an' Ma said to tell you to be sure an' come. Yuh will, won't you?"

"Why, I shall be delighted!" cried Laura with pleasure. Then she blushed. "Oh, you kid!" grinned Johnny with youthful impudence as he swung into the saddle and pedaled away.

A bright May moon looked down upon the old homestead and bathed plowed field and meadowland in silver. Every window of every building was ablaze with electric light and the house, nestling

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