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Ayrshire Breeders have had a year of Substantial Progress

THE members of the Canadian Ayrshire Cattle Breeders' Association heard reports at the 44th annual meeting of the association held last week in Montreal, which showed that the association is in much the strongest position in its history. The convention was encouraging in character throughout. The attendance was the largest on record, the interest displayed was keen, and the reports submitted most encouraging.

Secretary W. F. Stephen reported that there were 1,262 members, an increase of 188 during the year. These reside in the various provinces as follows: Quebec 561, Ontario 30, Alberta 64, Nova Scotia 48, New Brunswick 30, Manitoba 35, Saskatchewan 20, Prince Edward Island 54, British Columbia 20, and the United States 12, an increase in every province. There had been 26 resignations and several deaths. Registrations had increased by 208, but transfers have decreased by 54, indicating that fewer Ayrshires had changed hands. Quebec made the greatest percentage gain, closely followed by the other provinces, except Ontario and New Brunswick, where there had been a slight decrease.

Financial Statement.

The financial statement showed a balance on hand of \$5,719.15, the largest in the history of the association, and an excess of assets over liabilities of \$8,130.98, an increase during the year of \$749.64. The receipts amounted to \$13,025.09. The principal receipts were: Balance from 1913 \$4,654, registrations \$6,200, members' fees \$1,900, advertising in annual \$179, interest \$138.

The principal expenditures were: Printing herd books \$2,513 for 1914 and \$171 for 1913, secretary's salary \$1,500, salaries in record office \$900, grants to dairy test \$592, directors' travelling expenses \$432, grants to exhibitors in 1913 \$360, balance due record office in 1913 \$245, travelling expenses of secretary and president \$111.75.

The assets were: Cash on hand \$5,719, members' fees \$600, herd books on hand \$2,977, office supplies and diplomas \$420, miscellaneous \$55; total, \$9,764.15. The liabilities were \$1,633, including \$900 to exhibitors, \$506 to the printers and \$137.70 to the record office.

Record Office Report

The Canadian National Record Office showed receipts from January 1st to December 31st, 1914, as follows:

For registrations, membership and registered herd names	\$124.36
For herd books	30.00
For registering for prizes	1.00
Interest	339.91
	\$530.77

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

For Conducting Ayrshire Record

Received from Association to pay salaries, 1914	\$900.00
From Record Committee Fund	946.71
Balance owing to Record Committee by Association	157.70
	\$2,004.41

EXPENDITURES

Salaries to December 31st, 1914	\$1,805.42
Refunds to December 31st, 1914	86.44
Audit to December 31st, 1914	26.71
Insurance to December 31st, 1914	17.18
	\$2,035.75

REGISTRATIONS, ETC., BY PROVINCES

Province	Registrations	Transfers	Deaths	New Births	Memberships
Ontario	1023	356	15	9449	60
Manitoba	30	48	2	20	10
Saskatchewan	20	35	1	20	10
Alberta	140	120	4	64	60
British Columbia	20	20	1	20	10
Quebec	1800	650	4	650	40

New Brunswick	107	51	4	60	60
Nova Scotia	109	35	4	10	10
Prince Edward Island	54	54	1	54	10
United States	12	12	1	12	10

Total 3495 1264 73 \$2046.90

Officers Elected

The following officers were elected: President, A. L. Trimble, Red Deer, Alta.; vice-president, M. St. Marie, Compton, Que.; secretary-treasurer, W. F. Stephen, Huntingdon; directors (Western), W. W. Balantyne, Stratford; John McKee, Norwich; Wm. Stewart, Jr., Menie; A. Hume, Campbellville; A. S. Turner, Rychman's Corners; A. H. Trimble, Red Deer, Alberta; F. H. Harrie, Mount Elgin, Ont.; (Eastern), R. R. Ness, Howick, Que.; P. D. McArthur, N. Georgetown; Senator Wm. Owens, Montreal, Que.; L. J. Tarte, Montreal; James Bryson, Brysonville, Que.; M. St. Marie, Moie's River, Que.; Fred McKee, Charlottetown, P.E.I.; auditors, J. G. McMillan, Huntingdon, J. F. Garra, Ormstown.

On the motion of Senator Owens, Mr. N. Lachapelle, St. Paul Ermitte, was elected an honorary life member in recognition of the value of his services for many years to the association.

Registration committee, R. R. Ness, W. F. Stephen, Mr. Dawson, the registrar, and J. Brant, the accountant. Executive committee, R. R. Ness, Senator Owens, M. St. Marie, Wm. Stewart, John McKee, and W. W. Balantyne.

The American Ayrshire Breeders' Association has recommended four judges of Ayrshires to the officials of the Panama Exposition. Of these two were from the States and two from Canada, the latter being Messrs. W. W. Balantyne and W. F. Stephen.

Grants to Fair Associations. The following grants were made to fairs: Ormstown, Que. \$100; Toronto National, \$100; Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., \$100 each; New Westminster, B.C., \$100; St. John's, Que., \$100; Ottawa, \$100; London, \$75; Quebec, Three Rivers, Halifax, Charlottetown, P.E.I., Brandon, Regina, Red Deer, Calgary, and Edmonton, \$50 each; Saskatoon, \$25; Fredrickton, N.B., \$25; Chatham, N.B., \$50; Dairy Test, Guelph, \$300; Dairy Test, Ottawa, \$300; Amherst, \$300.

An extra grant of \$25 will be given to Saskatoon, providing the management increases the prize list to the same standard as Regina and Edmonton.

A grant of \$100 was voted to the Dominion Cattle Breeders' Association.

Identification Marks

The executive committee reported that in its opinion the time had come when all Ayrshires should have some mark of identification and that the tattoo system be used for this purpose. This system was recommended to the breeders with the view of making it a permanent rule at some future meeting, that all Ayrshires be thus marked. Secretary Stephen stated that this system is in extensive use in Great Britain and Europe and has proved most satisfactory. A stamping outfit had been obtained from the manufacturers in the United States and used during the year by President McArthur and Mr. R. R. Ness with satisfactory results.

Mr. Archibald, of the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, said that the use of ear tags at the farm had not given good results, as they had mutilated the ears of many of the animals. They had used the tattoo system with success on both young and old stock, although cars had to

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