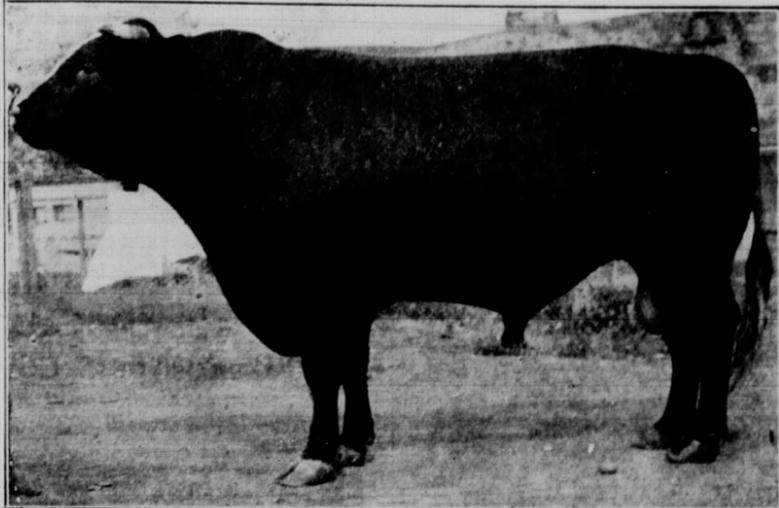


# Calgary Exhibition

With the opening of the Calgary Industrial Exhibition, on June 29, the Western summer fair circuit had its commencement. There is nothing so encouraging as a good start, and the fact that this exhibition was so successful in every way will help materially in keeping up the interest in the following shows. Calgary fair this summer excelled itself. It has always been above the average as fairs go, but at this particular time it well deserves the title of the largest and best exhibition in the West. The entries this year were over seven thousand, this being more than a thousand in advance of last year. The crowds visiting the fair were larger than ever before, it being estimated that

of Alberta exhibitors. Alberta has always been recognized as a stock country, and in substantiation of this fact entries of Alberta bred stock were far in excess of those of previous years. The greatest increase in entries was noticed in the hog classes, but on account of poor accommodation these did not show up to advantage. In the matter of accommodation the far-sightedness of the fair board in proposing an appropriation of \$360,000 for the purpose of new buildings was amply justified by the great increase in entries, and the fact that this suggestion was passed when put as a by-law before the people of Calgary shows clearly the interest which is taken in the fair and the bene-



**"ROSY STAR"**  
Third Prize Shorthorn Bull at Calgary Industrial Exhibition  
Owned by P. M. Bredt, Calgary

more than 100,000 people visited Victoria Park during the progress of the exhibition. On July 1 alone almost 40,000 people passed thru the turnstiles. Splendid weather prevailed thruout the whole week, the only criticism which could be voiced in this connection would be that it was a trifle too hot. The entries were so large that the ordinary available accommodation was not at all adequate for the space requirements, and hence tents and lean-tos of all sizes and descriptions had to be provided in which to house the very numerous exhibits.

The unquestioned success of the exhibition is largely due to the energy and able management of E. L. Richardson,

fit which must be recognized to accrue to the city thru its operation. Outside of the show rings the exhibits of art, industries, agriculture and other branches of work were extremely good, and from an agricultural standpoint the exhibit of the Dominion Experimental Farms was particularly noticeable. Not only was it extremely artistic, but it was of greater value in that it was extremely educational in nature, showing very simply and clearly many facts which may be used to good advantage in the improvement of his farm by any intelligent farmer.

### The Judging

The judging in practically every instance gave entire satisfaction. Clydes-



First Prize Junior Holstein Calf at Calgary Industrial Exhibition  
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the popular fair manager, backed up by a board of directors whose main object seems to be to make the fair the best in Western Canada. Mr. Richardson is a master of detail, and his kindly disposition, together with his solicitous care for the comfort and pleasure of all connected in any way with the exhibition, accounts in a large measure for the undoubted success which must be accorded to the Calgary Industrial Exhibition of 1914.

### Large Alberta Exhibit

One of the chief features which might be noted in regard to the exhibits this year was the fact of the large entry

and Shires were judged by James McKirdy, Napinka, Man. Mr. McKirdy's name is well known to all breeders thruout the West, and his consistent selection of the one type—clean, straight limbs, silky hair, flat bone, strong, straight action and as much size as could possibly be found—together with his accurate judgment, left nothing to be desired in the matter of decisions. Percherons, Belgians and Suffolk Punch horses were judged by J. W. Fletcher, Elgin, Ill., whose decisions were quite in keeping with his high reputation as a judge. In the beef cattle classes A. G. Meyer, Edmonton, Alta., gave good



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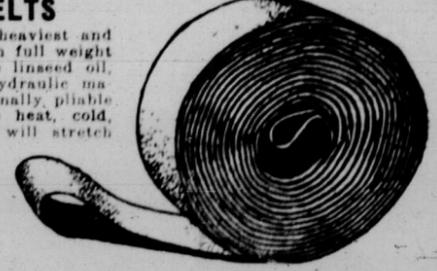
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