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Prices for Holstein cattle have reached the highest ever known in the history of the breed. At the record breaking sale at Milwaukee 175 head of Holstein cattle, consigned by leading breeders of the country, sold for a total sum of \$425,810; an average price of \$2,433 per head, eight animals selling for \$10,000 and upwards. At the A. W. Green sale in Ohio, 114 head averaged \$809 per head; \$25,000 being paid for a 4-months-old son of a 33-lb. bull. At this sale 15 young daughters of a three-quarter brother to the 50-lb. cow brought an average of \$890 apiece, and nine calves averaged \$840 each. \$10,000 was paid at the J. B. Irwin sale, in Minnesota, for a 2-months-old bull calf; 73 head of animals averaging \$618 per head. In March last 203 head of Holsteins sold at Syracuse for \$96,200; an average of \$474 per head, one consignment consisting of 48 head averaging \$801 per head.

The membership of the National Association of America has now reached over 11,500; a total of 1,900 having been added during the past fiscal year. There are upwards of 180 Holstein clubs in 34 States of the Union, all doing good work.

ENGLAND.—Up to July 20th, 1918, 300 Friesians had been sold in England and Scotland, this year, for £56,356, or a general average of £187. Eske Hetty, England's only 24,000-pound cow sold for 3,500 guineas, while Routh Blossom 3rd brought 1,700 guineas at the same sale. The record price this year in England for a bull is, so far as we know, £3,000; while 2,000 guineas was also paid for Commieston Roland. High averages at some English sales were: May's sale, 35 head averaging £382; Murton & Long's sale, 64 head averaging £172; and 36 head at Powell's sale averaging £316. A South African cow, Sijke 4th, sold for £1,000.

Jerseys.

CANADA.—The record for butter-fat for the year in the Canadian R. O. P., any age, any breed, is held by Sunbeam of Edgeley with 18,744 lbs. milk and 926 lbs. of butter-fat; while the record in the four-year-old class is held by Beauty Maid with 14,852 lbs. of milk and 872 lbs. of butter-fat; this is also the second highest for any age or breed. Both of these cows are Canadian-bred Jerseys with imported blood close up.

Jerseys in Canada have been commanding a higher average price than ever before. At a sale in Woodstock, the cow Beauty Maid, mentioned above, was sold for \$1,200.00. Several Canadian breeders attended the large sales in the United States during April and May and made some purchases, the highest price paid being \$2,200 for Les Prairies Bessie 3rd. A daughter of the imported bull, Rower, owned in Canada, was purchased for \$1,750, and a Quebec breeder purchased Poppy, the granddaughter of Golden Maid's Prince, for \$1,375.

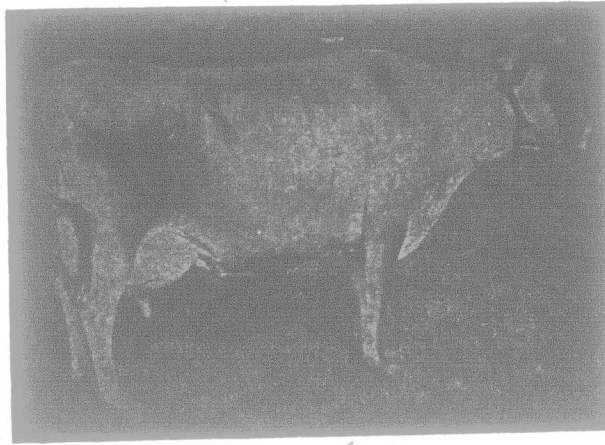
Only one importation, consisting of 35 head, has been made from the Island of Jersey. These arrived at Quebec on July 20th, and include Fern's Oxford Noble 2nd, purchased for about 600 guineas, and the grand champion cow of the 1918 Island show and her two daughters.

For several years the Canadian Jersey Cattle Club has been negotiating with the American Club to get proper reciprocal relations. About three years ago an arrangement was made whereby the American Club would accept the Canadian Registration Certificates for a Canadian record animal, providing all the registration certificates and transfers of the animal and all its ancestors back to those records in the American Club were produced. This was very hard and awkward to work, but during the past few months arrangements have been completed whereby the American Club accepts the Canadian, and the Canadian the American Clubs' registration certificates at face value.

Two years ago when a Jersey breeder of Red Deer, Alberta, joined the war, the major portion of his Jerseys went to the Peace River country. It was thought that Jerseys would not do as well so far north, but the experiment has proven so satisfactory that this year another carload of registered Jerseys has been taken into the Peace River District. This is said to be the most northerly herd of pure-bred cattle in Canada.

Registrations for the first six months in 1918 show a decided improvement. Receipts for membership for the same period are only fifty-two dollars behind the entire year of 1917. The importation of Jerseys to Canada for the first six months amounted to twenty head, exclusive of the thirty-five head mentioned above.

UNITED STATES.—The Jersey breed in the United States has much more than held its own since the beginning of the year. Sophie 19th of Hood Farm, former champion butter cow of the breed has firmly established herself as the champion long-distance cow, by completing her seventh official record with 15,948 lbs. milk and 1,059.8 lbs. butter. Her total production for the seven official records amounts to 91,948 lbs. milk and 6,600 lbs. butter. Her best record was made at seven years of age when she made 1,248.8 lbs. of butter from 17,557.8 lbs. milk. The world's record for



Sunbeam of Edgeley.
Champion butter cow of Canada.

junior three-year-old Jerseys was smashed by Vive La France, an Oregon cow with a production of 892.63 lbs. fat from 12,744.8 lbs. of 7% milk. A Jersey cow, Blue Fox's Eminent Chromo, has produced 866 lbs. butter-fat in one year in South Carolina, the greatest amount of butter-fat ever produced by one individual south of the Mason and Dixon Line. At one time 20 Jersey cows established new State records within a few weeks, and the average production of five cows reported from the State of Washington exceeds anything ever recorded from one State for a similar period.

Many Jersey auctions have been held during the past eight months, but three in particular seem to indicate the progress of the breed. At the Butler sale in the spring, Oxford's Briar Flower established a new record price for a Jersey female, when she sold for \$10,000. Just a few weeks later at a sale in Massachusetts, Sophie's Agnes, granddaughter of Sophie 19th of Hood Farm, sold for \$10,019. At this sale 66 head netted \$60,198. Previous to the sale of Oxford's Briar Flower and Sophie's Agnes, the record price for a Jersey female stood at \$7,000, paid for Lady Viola in 1911. Oxford's Briar Flower was one of the Butler importation of 95 head (35 head of which were sunk at sea) made early in the year. At this sale 60 head sold for \$80,115. Nineteen animals sold for more than \$1,000 per head. At the Cooper sale 96 animals were

sold for \$80,555. Fifty-one cows averaged \$787; 32 heifers averaged \$412, and 12 bull calves averaged \$579. The record price for a Jersey bull this year is \$7,500, paid for Sophie 19th's Tormentor at the Massachusetts sale.

ENGLAND.—The highest average for Jersey sales in England this year was the Carson average of £89 for 27 head.

Ayrshires.

CANADA.—The advancement of the Ayrshire business is indicated by the fact that for the first six months in 1918 there were recorded 2,334 Ayrshire pedigrees and 2,315 transfers, an increase of 64 pedigrees and over 200 transfers more than for the same period last year. There has been a slight falling off in entries to the R. O. P. test, there being only 251 applications for this period as against 307 for the same period in 1917. The number of cows that have qualified in this test for the corresponding period has increased from 92 to 95. The decrease of entries to the R. O. P. is due largely to the serious labor situation and the shortage of labor is forestalling entries to the R. O. P. Also, it is in a measure due to the scarcity, extreme prices of and inferior quality of all millfeeds, since men accustomed to certain concentrates which have given excellent results, cannot purchase certain of these feeds to-day at any price.

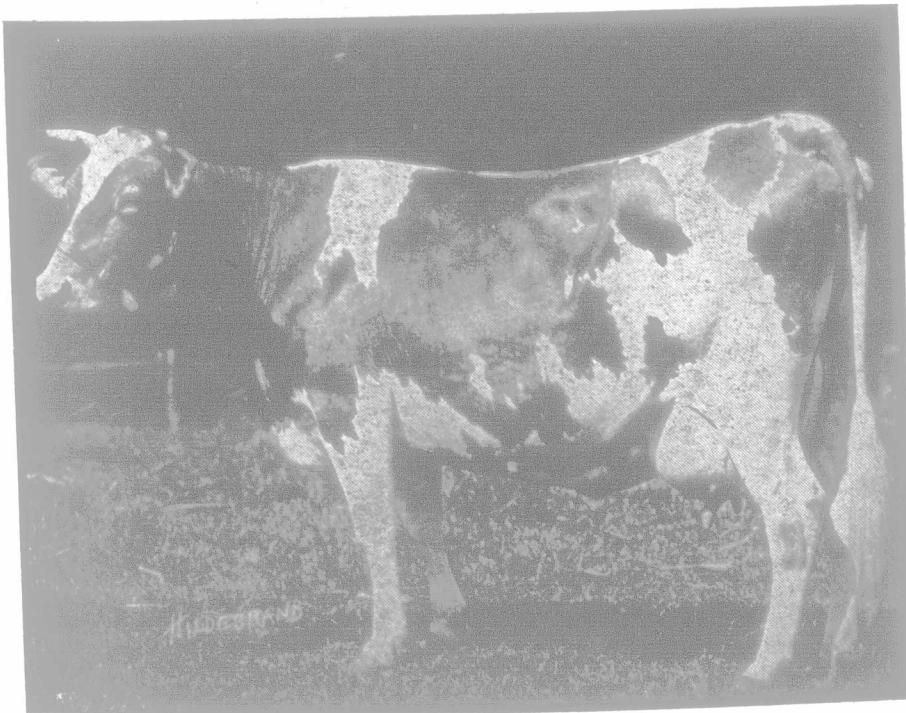
No records have been broken, but some exceptionally good records have been made in the various classes. The following cows head their respective classes in the period mentioned: Mature class, Louise, 16,038 lbs. milk, 650 lbs. fat; Four-year-old class, Middy, 13,288 lbs. milk, 533 lbs. fat; Three-year-old class, Blossom of Hickory Hill, 10,285 lbs. milk, 383 lbs. fat; Two-year-old class, Snowdrop of Hickory Hill 2nd, 10,933 lbs. milk, 449 lbs. fat. The majority of the cows that have qualified in the period in question are owned in Western Ontario.

There has only been one importation of Ayrshires from Scotland, and this consisted of 49 head, made up of 8 yearling bulls, 10 cows over 3 years, and the balance yearling and 2-year-old heifers. One of the bulls is the highest-priced Ayrshire yearling that ever left Scotland.

The event of the year in Ayrshire circles has been the great Ayrshire consignment sale at Hartford, Conn., on June 11th and 12th. At this sale record prices were made, and a Canadian-owned cow for many years and one of our champions, Lochfergus Cherry (imp.) made the second highest price at the sale, \$3,750. At this sale thirty-eight cows brought an average of \$702; 87 heifers averaged \$231; 15 bulls averaged \$314; while the entire consignment of 145 head, including calves, averaged \$359. Three times during the afternoon a new figure was reached in Ayrshire cow prices. The final record was made when Pansy's Daughter of South Farm was knocked down for a new Ayrshire record price of \$4,200. Ten animals from Canadian herds were consigned to this sale and brought creditable prices.

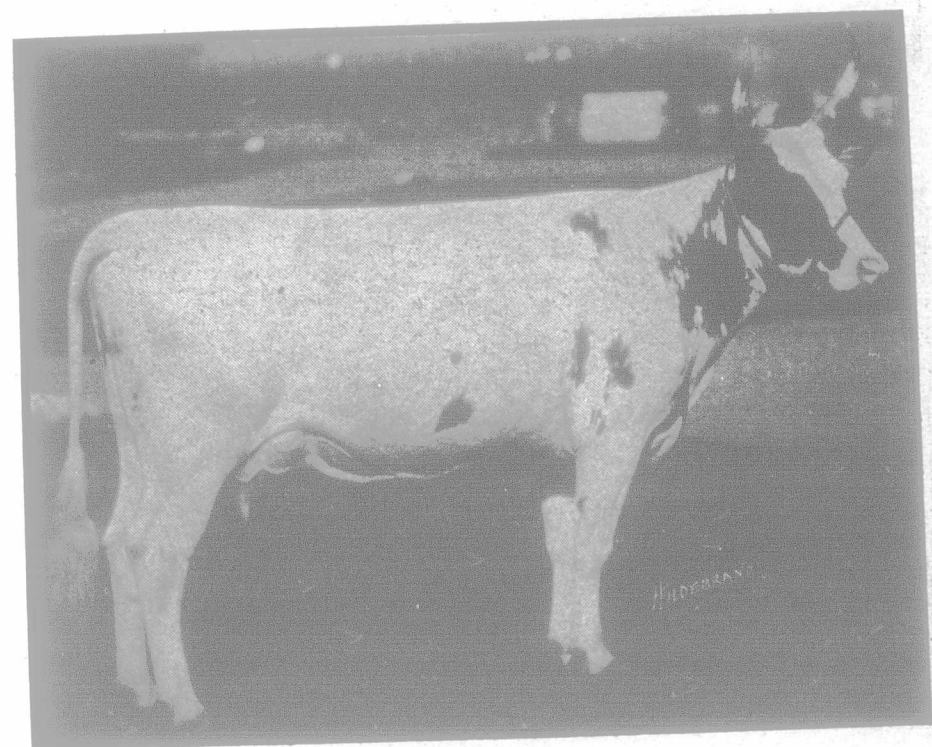
UNITED STATES.—No changes have taken place in the leading records of the seven classes since the beginning of the year, and no records have been broken among Ayrshires in the United States so far as production is concerned. Several individuals have completed very creditable performances however, and among them are three which are worthy of mention. McAllister's Betty, a Canadian bred cow owned in Pennsylvania, completed her third official test having produced 19,189 lbs. milk and 785.80 lbs. fat, test 4.10%. Her average for the three periods is 13,963 lbs. milk, 574.50 lbs. fat, test 4.11%. Rosella Webb, owned in Massachusetts, has established herself in second position among the senior four-year-olds (led by August

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Liriden Girl of Harbor Hill 3rd.

This Guernsey cow leads her class in the United States with a yearly production of 15,032.9 lbs. milk, and 785.89 lbs. butter-fat.



Pansy's Daughter of South Farm.

Sold for \$4,200 at the New England Ayrshire Club sale in June. She is the highest priced Ayrshire female ever sold at auction.