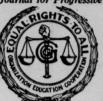
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#### ALBERTA DAIRY TEST

Only two exhibitors competed in the dairy test held in connection with the Fat Stock Show at Calgary on December 15 and 16. The test was conducted under the supervision of C. P. Marker, the dairy commissioner for Alberta, and the awards were made on the following scale: Twenty-five points for each pound of butter fat; three points for each pound of solids-not-fat; one point for each ten days in milk after the first thirty days—limit ten points. The test extended over 48 hours and was divided into two sections, one for cows and one for heifers. R. Ness, of DeWinton, won in both sections, in the cow class with "Irene of Lonespruce" and in the heifer class with "Lakeview Clara."
"Irene of Lonespruce" calved on

November 19 last, and during the test gave 95 pounds of milk, testing 7.4 per cent. butter fat and 8.4 pounds of solidsnot-fat. Her score in the test was 200.25 points. "Threethorn Lily," having calved on December 1, came second with 91.4 pounds of milk, testing 6.5 per cent. butter fat and containing 8.31 pounds of solids-not-fat. She scored 173.43 points. Both are Ayrshire cows. I. Hambly, of Munson, came third with "Victoria Johanna Burke," which calved on May 19 last, and during the test gave 74.3 pounds of milk, testing 4.4 per cent. butter fat and containing 6.01 pounds of solids-not-fat. She scored 100.77 points.

"Lakeview Clara," the winner of the heifer class, gave 77.4 pounds of milk, heifer class, gave 77.4 pounds of milk, testing 6.2 and containing 7 pounds of solids-not-fat, scoring a total of 140.95 points. She calved December 2. R. Ness' "Lakeview Miss Prim," calving July 2 last, was second with 63.7 pounds of milk, testing 4.8 and containing 5.54 pounds of solids-not-fat; scoring 103.05 points. Mr. Hambly's "Calgary Korndyke Pontiag." was third with a record dyke Pontiac" was third with a record of 55.8 pounds of milk, testing 4.2, containing 4.77 pounds of solids not fat and scoring 72.90 points. She calved November 30 last.

#### EGYPTIAN KING WHEAT

Numerous enquiries have recently been received concerning the value as a commercial grain of a supposedly new variety of wheat variously called "Mir-acle," "Alaska," "Egyptian King," "Seven Headed," which is said to have very high yielding qualities. Any readers interested should refer to their Guide files, and in the issue of February 3, 1915, will be found a complete de-scription with photograph of this grain. Summarizing the information in this article, tests extending over a period of thirteen years gave an average yield per acre for this wheat of 24.4 bushels as compared with 31.7 bushels of Red Fife. A milling and baking test showed that it could not be classed as a hard wheat.

#### THE ROYAL BANK REPORT

The report presented to the shareholders of the Royal Bank of Canada at the forty-sixth annual meeting held at Montreal a few days ago, shows Can-ada's third largest bank to be in a de-cidedly healthy condition. The Royal has a paid up capital of \$11,560,000, a reserve fund of \$12,560,000, and \$676,472.16 standing to the credit of profit and loss account, so that there is now

upwards of \$24,000,000 belonging to the shareholders invested in the institution. Deposits by the public at November 30 were \$154.976,327.97, and loans amounting to \$125,605,094.89, of which \$91,141,382.11 was loaned in Canada. Profits for the year amounted to \$1,905,576.57, and \$614,062.25 was brought forward from the previous year, making \$2,519,-638.82 available for distribution. From this sum the usual dividend of 12 per cent. on the paid up capital absorbed \$1,367,200, war tax on note circulation took \$105,966.66, a quarter of a million dollars was written off bank premises account, \$100,000 was transferred to the officers' pension fund, and \$676,472.16 was carried forward to profit and loss. War conditions have apparently not weakened the position of the Royal.

#### MANITOBA WOMEN PROMISED THE VOTE

The monster petition which the wom-en of Manitoba have signed as an evi-dence of their demand for the franchise, was presented to Premier Norris and members of his cabinet on Thursday last. The premier had intimated that he would consider a petition from 15 per cent. of as many women as there were men voting at the last election, a suffi-cient indication of the desire of the women of Manitoba to take part in political life, and this required a petition of 17,500 signatures. The women gave good measure, for the petition which they presented contained 39,584 signatures, all of women of voting age and Canadian citizenship.

#### Wonderful Achievement

The feature of the stupendous task of securing all these names was the exploit of Mrs. Amelia Burritt, of Sturgeon Creek. She is 94 years of age, and thru her own unaided efforts she secured 4,250 names. Mrs. Burritt's achievement, when announced, brought forth a storm of applause, in which the premier and ministers joined.

Mrs. Burritt made a brief but eloquent

speech, in which she declared that she hoped to live to see the women of Manitoba enfranchised. After the conclusion of his address in response to the deputation, Premier Norris strode down the chamber and grasped the aged lady by the hand.

#### Premier's Announcement

"The bill providing for the enfranchisement of women of this province is prepared and is now ready for the print-Before the first session of the legislature is very far advanced we hope to make that bill law." Such was the pronouncement of Premier Norris.

Hon. T. H. Johnson introduced the

delegation, and Dr. Mary Crawford, Mrs. A. V. Thomas and Mrs. F. J. Dixon, members of the provincial executive of the Political Equality League, made brief but eloquent speeches relative to the earnest thoroughness with which the work of gathering the signatures had been accomplished.

#### Grain Growers' Work

Touching references were made by Mrs. Dixon and Mrs. Thomas to the devotion of the women on the farms, who, despite their onerous everyday duties, traversed long distances to get signers for the petition. Mrs. Dixon gave a great deal of credit to the Grain Growers' Association for the support given to

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