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NOTES ON THE FEED LOT

The feeding expert classes all feeding-cattle in six grades—fancy, selected, choice, good, medium, common and inferior. Which grade do you keep?

It is a sad mistake to imagine that increasing the bulk of feed for hogs, by adding water, will do them any good.

When skim-milk is fed to young pigs they should be started on it gradually and it should always be fed with a little meal and other feed.

The natural feed for hogs is not liquids but solids; therefore we cannot understand how some men believe they can fatten hogs on slops alone. Many of them keep on trying year after year, but never succeed.

A good way to feed skim-milk is to use it with soaked, ground corn or other grain, but even then it should be fed sparingly at the start.

It is not an unusual thing to see two lots of cattle of the same breed and age sold on the Chicago market at prices varying from \$1 to \$2 per hundred pounds. As there is no difference in breed or age it is very plain that the difference lies entirely in the feeding.

Molasses in one form or another is greatly relished by cows, and horses as well, but it is an unpleasant thing to feed and draws flies by the millions.

A good ration for rams during the breeding season is oats, bran and linseed-meal, with such fodders as rape, the vetches and alfalfa.

Give the ram about one pound of bran daily with all the green feed he can eat. Good feeding during the breeding period is one of the essentials to the production of sound and vigorous lambs.

It saves a lot of work to dump the corn for cattle on the ground and let them dig it out of the dirt for their convenience, but it is a mighty expensive form of laziness.

An open shed with a well-drained dirt-floor provided with troughs should always be a part of every stock-feeder's equipment.

As the hard work eases up on the horses, cut down their feed accordingly.

Any farmer who has an abundance of corn and roughage can make money by buying up stock mules in the large markets and feeding them over winter. They should be allowed to run loose in roomy barns or sheds and never confined in stalls, as horses.

A mule does not require very much feed or attention and he grows into money as fast as a colt.

If you have saved a fine crop of hay—which, by the way, is going to be scarce this year—and have no room for it in the barn, better invest in some canvas stack-covers. They will pay for themselves in one or two seasons when hay is high.

Perhaps it is because hay-farming is so easy that farmers of this class get out of the way of doing real work and thus neglect to manure and take proper care of their grass lands.

The best way to market corn is to first put it through the silo and then sell it in the shape of fat animals.

Corn-meal and skim-milk will make greater gain in feeding hogs than anything else, is the report that comes from the Ohio station, and it has been proven by thousands of farmers beside.

Professor Eshels, of the dairy department of the Missouri station, gives this rule of feeding dairy cows: Feed one pound a day for each pound of butter-fat produced per week, or one pound of grain per day for each three pounds of milk. Better get a pair of scales for the dairy.

Shorts and bran make an excellent ration for sows that are suckling pigs. Of course she should always have clover cow-pea pasture if possible.

It is bad policy to wean young pigs suddenly and put them on cow's skimmed milk. The milk should be fed them very gradually at first and several times a day.

Once more we want to urge farmers not to feed too much corn to their young pigs, as thrumps will surely result.

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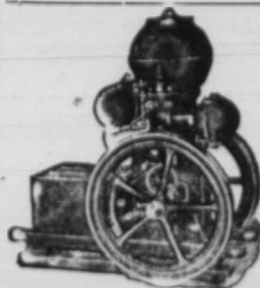
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