

BREEDERS CONSIDER COMBINING COUNTIES FOR SESSION JAN. 21

Wayne county breeders, meeting Saturday afternoon with Robert Evans of Chicago, national secretary of the Duroc Jersey association, and C. C. Terrill, state secretary of the Ohio association, discussed arrangements for the inter-county combination sessions to be held in this city, Jan. 21. Saturday's meeting was held in the director's room of the Second National bank, at 1 o'clock.

It was reported that both Evans and Terrill had shown great interest in the proposed meeting, especially in the feature of including pig club members of the past year, and prospective ones of next year. Mr. Evans promised, if sufficient interest can be aroused, to bring one of the most noted pig club leaders of the country. Moving picture films of the national swine show will be exhibited also.

The high school auditorium has been secured for the meeting and for showing the pictures. Two sessions will be held in the morning and afternoon, with adjournment early enough to allow those attending from a distance to get home early.

Predict Large Delegation

It was reported that breeders and farmers interested in Preble county are intending to be present in a body with their full club membership, if possible.

County agents of Randolph and Union counties, Indiana and of Darke and Preble counties, Ohio, are interested and have promised to do all in their power to assure a good attendance.

Breeders of all counties are interested in attending themselves, and are expecting to bring along delegations of club members for the benefits to be derived from the speakers. Even Rush county will be represented. Charles Trowbridge of Mays has promised co-operation.

Foreigners Want Stock.

It was said at a recent Ohio meeting that inquiries are coming in from Mexico, South America, Japan, Australia, and Europe, for stock and that breeders could easily dispose of twice the stock they have. The section of eastern Indiana and western Ohio was stated to be the center of the Duroc Jersey breeding industry and breeders here were urged to cooperate to the fullest extent, combine their efforts and to take advantage of the favorable situation. The Jan. 21st meeting will be a step in that direction, it was pointed out by members of the committee today.

HILDEBOLD, OF EATON HONORED BY OHIO DUROC HOG FANCERS

EATON, Ohio, Jan. 7.—A rosy future for the Duroc Jersey swine breeding industry was predicted by speakers at the annual meeting of the Ohio State Duroc Jersey Breeders association, held in Columbus, Jan. 5, according to Charles Hildebold, of Eaton, who attended from Preble county.

The secretary of the association, C. C. Terrill, and numerous breeders, reported at the meeting that they were receiving inquiries for stock from all over the United States and from foreign countries as well, with a demand indicated that is far in excess of stock available. An immediate return of prosperity in the livestock industry was forecast by the prospects.

Warning against taking advantage of the favorable situation and allowing inflated prices to be established again, to the harm of the industry, was sounded by E. B. Keeley, well known breeder of Richmond, Va. He pleaded for breeders to sell for only a fair margin and keep on a sound basis.

Another indication of returning prosperity was found in the report of Robert Evans, national secretary, that his office had registered during the month of November transfers amounting to \$1,500 more than the same month last year.

Charles Hildebold, of Eaton, was made a member of the executive committee for next year, four other members being chosen from Springfield, Cedarville, and from northeastern Ohio. Howard Gerlaugh of Osborne, was elected president, F. B. Fidler of Marion as vice-president; C. S. Sprague, secretary-treasurer.

SELL \$2,500 STOCK IN BREEDERS' ASS'N

CENTERVILLE, Ind., Jan. 7.—Sale of \$2,500 worth of stock in the Wayne County Breeders' association, which promoted a county stock show and plans a stock show and fair for next year, was announced at the meeting held in Centerville Friday night.

Encouraged by this start, the breeders planned for a sale of the rest of the stock at the next annual meeting, to be held in Centerville on Tuesday, Jan. 24. At that time plans will be completed for sale of the rest of the stock, either than or soon after. Election of officers for the coming year will be held during this session also.

Arrangements will be made to have dinner served by one of the women's organizations and a general program will be given in the afternoon. Further plans for the all-day meeting will be announced as soon as completed.

The sale of such a block of stock was a pleasant surprise to several of the members, work in this line not having been very extensive as yet, and those present were much encouraged by it.

MODOC SCHOOL WORK INSTITUTE FEATURE

MODOC, Ind., Jan. 7.—A noon lunch served by the sophomore class of the Modoc school, and a baking contest for all girls of school age and a seed corn selection for the boys will give parents of pupils of that school a concrete example of the benefits of the school on the occasion of the annual farmers' institute for Nettle Creek township, Randolph county.

The institute is to be held in the school building on Friday, Feb. 3. R. A. Ogg, Mrs. Lillian Pierce and County Superintendent O. H. Gries will address the meeting.

TWO LEGAL WIVES FAIL TO BRING MILLIONAIRE HAPPINESS



Wife No. 1, Stasia Welsh Wells, at left; wife No. 2, Marian Povie Wells, and Thomas Wells, Jr., husband of both.

Thomas Wells, Jr., millionaire Youngstown, O., doughboy, has two nice wives, both legal helpmates. But he isn't happy—far from it. Wells married wife No. 2, Marian Povie, in New York

eight days after he obtained a divorce from wife No. 1, Stasia Welsh, several months ago. Then Mrs. Wells No. 1 decided she hadn't obtained enough alimony and obtained a reversal of the divorce decree. And Wells now

has two wives and will have until he succeeds in reversing the decree obtained by wife No. 1. A fourth member is expected to enter into the strange predicament in June—at the home of Marian Povie Wells.

about \$500,000.00 worth of milk per year and this is not only a going but a growing concern, which was organized as late as 1916. On one of the Campbell dairy farms near Coldwater, all the buildings, silos, etc., are of fire-proof concrete construction. Mr. Campbell is nationally known as a progressive agriculturist and is affiliated with numerous farm organizations.

Woodward Cuts Coal Price.

W. B. Woodward, of Dublin, avers that he has recently cut the price on all soft coal \$1 per ton. "At this low scale of prices," said he, "we do not accept rubles, marks, yen, copecks, francs or wooden nickels, but are giving the people a run for their good American dollars." Mr. Woodward is a "joker" of the first water, but said that this reduction in price of coal was no joke, but the "real goods." He says they are paying "40 cents for corn, of any and all kinds."

Making It Snappy.

"Let's pack the house on Monday evening!" Who wants a packed house? Gwen Duke, of Boston, gentleman. He refers to the school house and maled his fellow members a snappy card, Friday, on which he announced the program and hinted at the business to come up for discussion Monday night. In conclusion he remarks "Some one has said that Boston needs a new community building. This will come up before the meeting, too.

There are doubtless a whole lot of spots on the local map where a community building would prove a mighty good investment and be of benefit to both village and countryside. A few progressive men in the Brownsville district set the wheels in motion and financed a building of this character last summer. It was recently opened up, and although there are other facilities to be added as the money is raised, the building has proved a magnet and incited many gatherings during the past month or so.

Freight \$6 Per Ton.

A freight cost of \$6 per ton and a 2 per cent war tax on all the anthracite on hand is one of the causes for \$15 coal, said Charles K. Stone, of the Milton Grain company. "We have done a fair business in coal, but most in bituminous, and with each cold snap the demand livens up." Mr. Stone says that the demand for feed indicates about the usual winter supply of hogs.

National Farm Conference.

L. W. Wright, treasurer of the National Grange, lives at Indianapolis. He has received an invitation from Secretary Wallace to attend the national agricultural conference at Washington, beginning on January 23.

Gov. McCrary, who is chairman of the corn belt advisory board, has received a similar invitation.

The president of the National Milk Producers association, Milo D. Campbell, lives at Coldwater, Mich. The members of the association market

STANDARD OIL BENEFITS WHEN REDS OVERTHREW THREE OIL-FILLED REPUBLICS



Map shows the three republics of Armenia, Georgia and Azerbaijan.

The soviets have extinguished the republics of Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan, and they are now back in the fold of Russia. These three little countries are rich in mineral resources, particularly oil. A few months ago they jointly hired an American to represent them, gave him a large sum of money, and empowered him to arrange the trade agreements for them. He went to America, and presently set out for his return, accompanied by a party of interested persons.

It was here that the soviets intervened. They had already looked with disapproval on the too great freedom of action the Caucasus republics were displaying. They had also been approached by the Standard Oil Company, which wished to acquire Caucasus rights. Red troops overthrew the three republics and the Standard Oil concluded a three party agreement with the soviets and the former owner of the fields, a nobleman, whereby most of the oil of this region passes into American hands.

Of the three nations overthrown Armenia was the best known. All Armenia is now subject territory once more, the Turkish portion having been previously overthrown.

Body of Missing Student Found at Evansville

(By Associated Press)
EVANSVILLE, Ind., Jan. 7.—The body of Clyde Crow, 18, high school student, and one of the three boys missing since last Saturday morning, was washed ashore from the Ohio river today. Searchers were still looking for the bodies of Leo Winiger and Thomas Fruchte.

The three boys left last Saturday morning to go duck hunting in a canoe. Sailors from the U. S. Revenue cutter, Kankakee, discovered the overturned canoe last Wednesday.

PICK DEFINITE TASKS FOR OHIO INSTITUTES, SAYS STATE DIRECTOR

EATON, Ohio, Jan. 7.—Every farmer's institute should aim at a definite object and try to accomplish some particular work each year in its community, said F. L. Allen, of Ohio State university, state director of farmers' institute work, speaking Friday to a gathering of about 30 of Preble county institute directors in the Eaton courthouse. Mr. Allen urged the institute officials not to accept the institute as an excuse simply to get together and have a good time, but to select some task that should be done for the benefit of the community, and make the whole institute work to the fulfillment of that task. As an example, better labor saving facilities for households, especially for the kitchens, were mentioned as a need of many farming communities, and it was shown how a farmer's institute could help to improve a community instead of scattering its information and work among half a dozen subjects.

Four Institutes Planned.

Four state aid farmers' institutes are scheduled for this year in Preble county, at West Manchester on Feb. 22 and 23; Campbellstown, Feb. 24 and 25; Gratis, March 1 and 2 and Morning Sun, March 3 and 4. Independent institutes will be held at West Alexandria, Feb. 8 and 9; and in Dixon township, Jan. 13 and 14.

The date for the New Paris independent institute has not yet been set.

Officers of the state aid institutes this year are: West Manchester, W. E. Gruber, president; C. F. Laird, secretary; Campbellstown, Charles Murray, president; Harry Hildebolt, secretary; Gratis, Azel Burbake, president; Charles Burd, secretary; Morning Sun, J. A. Campbell, J. A. Wright, secretary.

125 ATTEND RANDOLPH FARM ASS'N MEETING

UNION CITY, Ind., Jan. 7.—A meeting of members of the farmers' association of Wayne township, Randolph county, was held in Union City Friday night, Jan. 6, with an attendance of about 125. An oyster supper was served and moving pictures shown by the county agent.

Plans were made for another meeting next Friday night, Jan. 13, with P. C. Ohler of the federation's livestock department, and Earl Crawford as speakers.

FAR EAST REPUBLIC DEFEATS WHITE GUARDS

(By Associated Press)
PEKING, Jan. 7.—The far eastern republic, in messages received here from Chita, claims that its troops aided by reinforcements, are defeating the white guards and approaching Khabarovsk. Volunteer troops operating between Khabarovsk and Nikalsk are said to be cutting off the retreat of the white guards.

Officers of the company follow: W. F. Klop, president; John Zwissler, vice-president; J. H. E. Bode, secretary; John H. Nieuwohner, treasurer; George A. Cutler and W. F. Miller, members of the executive committee; Anton Stolle, Sr., William Bartel, Jr., E. F. Dettman, Raymond Dunning and Matt Brinker, directors; Jessie Wiechman, Alphonse Weishaupt, E. A. Feltman, members of auditing company; and G. H. Hoelscher, counsel.

Officers of Company

Officers from March 22, 1922, to Jan. 1, 1922, include:

President—H. H. Meerhoff, Louis Schieffer, David Hoerner, Henry Cutler, Henry Greive, Christian Bartel, A. W. Blickwedel, Caspar Jelly, William F. Klop.

Secretary—John E. Hugo, Henry Humpe, Henry Greive, John Nolte, Fred Krone, Adam Boes, August Wickemeyer, John Cutler, J. Henry E. Bode.

Treasurer—Henry Cutler, Gerhardt Schneider, Adam Metz, David Hoerner, Henry Bartel, Adam Boes, Eberhard Beitenbrock, George Schneider, William F. Klop, John H. Nieuwohner.

Members who have served as assessors, trustees or directors and are still living are:

David Feltman, Gerhardt Heitbrink, Charles Crivel, Fred Heitbrink, William Hieger, Marcus Sostmeyer, Heet, Henry J. Dunning, Anthony J.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Alvy, Boston township, boy; Mr. and Mrs. George Gross, Wayne township, girl; Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Swoveland, Jefferson township, girl.

Gas issuing from a seam of coal was collected in a bladder by Sir James Lowther in 1733 and burned before the Royal Society a month later. This was probably the first experimenting in gas lighting.

The state corn show, which is under the auspices of the Corn Growers' association, will be held in connection with the farmers' short course.

Evening Programs

Evening programs, which will be general in character and will be attended by the full enrollment of the school, will include, on the first day, an address on "Factors in Building Indiana Agriculture," by Prof. G. L. Christie, and on Wednesday evening, Jan. 11, an address by Ex-Gov. W. L. Harding of Iowa. On the fourth evening, Jan. 12, a light entertainment will be provided with readings and playlets.

Special fares are offered by the railroads for those who attend the short course, of one and one-half fare for round trip tickets by the railroads from Jan. 7 to 11, with the tickets good until Jan. 16, and on the electric roads, tickets for the same price good from Jan. 9 to 16.

J. S. Helms, living south of Richmond in Boston township, will attend the course from Wayne county.

Farm Sale Calendar

Monday, Jan. 9

Fred Elliott, one-half mile north of Arba, three miles south of Spartanburg and 13 miles northeast of Richmond. General sale.

Tuesday, Jan. 10

John Rothermel, D. C. Harlan, on Harlan farm, one-half mile east of Pershing, closing out sale of horses, cattle, hogs, etc., at 9 o'clock.

James Shank, 1 mile south of Werville Home and 3 miles southeast of Richmond on Boston pike. Closing out sale.

Thursday, Jan. 12

John Toney Clement's farm, 6 miles north-east of Williamsburg; general farm sale; 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 13

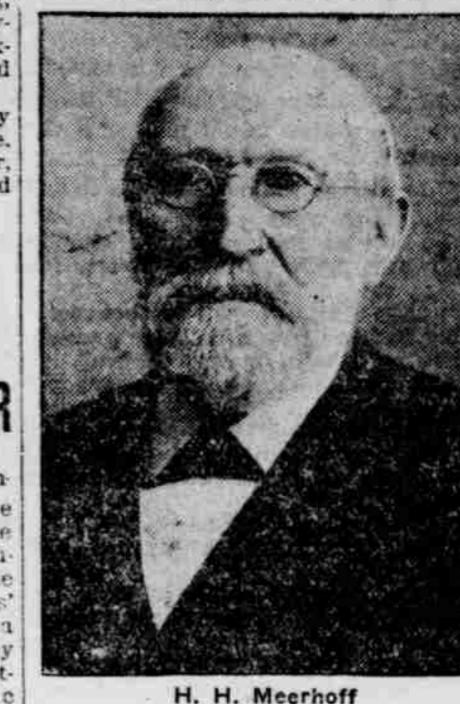
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One and one-half miles west of Hagerstown; working Keagy Macy; cleanup sale; 10 a.m.

LOCAL COMPANY TO CELEBRATE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY JAN. 11



H. H. Meerhoff

The fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Citizen's Mutual Fire Insurance company will be celebrated Jan. 11, says an announcement Saturday. H. H. Meerhoff, 93 years old, first president of the company, will be one of the most interested participants in the celebration.

Organized March 22, 1872, by German residents, the company has undergone a number of changes in plan and management in the last half century.

The first meetings were held in the old engine house, South Sixth and E streets; later in the hall of Gottlieb Lichtenfels on South Eighth street; in the Overman hall on South Fifth street; Knights of Columbus hall, Fifth and Main streets; then for a number of years, until 1918, in No. 4 house, South Ninth and E streets. The annual meeting in 1918 was held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, and in 1921 in the Adam H. Bartel company's plant at South Eighth and B streets.