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With FORD MOYNES

Many breeders and owners of Holstein cattle in the local district were interested and delighted to hear that production and breeding is on the increase and prices are good.

Owners in Victoria County well remember the enthusiasm regarding this fine and lucrative breed by a young farmer, W. J. Murphy. This man was the founder of the Merco farm on the Verulam road on the outskirts of Lindsay.

Bill Murphy was a founder breeder, the first to ship cattle by aeroplane across the Atlantic and to European markets. He was a pioneer in the business and became an astute distributor and breeder. Unfortunately, his passing came at a time when he was about to reap good financial returns. Bill Murphy was aggressive and quite business like. He was the president of the Lindsay Central Exhibition and an executive member of other farm developments.

An interesting sidelight in connection with the Murphy home came to light a few years ago when the house was being redecorated. Workmen came across a book in the upper part of the room attached to which was a long piece of binder twine. At the end of the twine was an article which proved to be plates used in engraving and printing of counterfeit twenty dollar bills.

In the meantime the bills which were printed at the Watchman Warder plant were circulated in North Bay by two elderly Lindsay men, one of whom spent time in Kingston penitentiary where he died.

The bills were excellent counterfeit but were detected by a smart teller in a North Bay bank.