



Bankers Analysing Farm Accounts at OAC

THE BANKERS ARE seen hard at work analysing farm accounts under the direction of Martin Bauer, standing, of the Veterans Land Act, Guelph, left to right, H. E. Laidson, Royal Bank, Fergus, W. R. Rodgers, Royal Bank, Orangeville, K. G. H. Pearce, Bank of Commerce, Orangeville, J. E. Mutter, Royal Bank, Brantford, and D. M. Wingrove, Bank of Commerce, Georgetown.

Bankers Become Students At School for Lenders

One hundred and twenty farmers and other farm financiers attended the Regional School in Agriculture for Lenders at the Ontario Agricultural College recently. The day-long session is one of a series of nine meetings for the people who supply farm financing, both on a long and short time basis.

Bankers were present from as far west as New Hamburg, north to Orangeville, east as far as Oakville and south to Brantford. The Regional Schools in Agriculture for Lenders are part of a general education for money lenders in new techniques and practices used on the farm.

The reason for this education is the necessity for the wise use of borrowed capital. The equivalent of every second

Tips to Dairymen For Extra Stabling

Need more stable room? Ontario Dept. of Agriculture, extension engineer Ross Milne is running into dairymen with the problem all the time. Each problem is different but some of the ideas, says Milne, can be adapted to almost any farm.

Take Carman Pierce at Hollog, Ontario. He wanted more cows but his yearlings and heifers were taking up needed stable space. To add more stalls meant building onto the end of his present barn, and cost was a drawback. He estimated he would have to lay out between \$400 and \$450 to cover the price of foundation, barn, cement work and stanchions — per stall. A lot of money.

Pierce reasoned why not put up a cheaper building for his dry cows and heifers, then turn the milkers into the freed stalls.

Pierce talked it over with Milne and his local contractor. They liked the idea and he went ahead. He had a 75 x 10 pole barn built for about \$2000; he's going to follow this up with a \$500 to \$600 paved yard.

Says Milne "That was a good move, he saved himself some money. Carman and I worked it out — the barn will hold 50 dry cows and heifers at a cost of \$70 a head. He's saved over \$300 a head."

"Carman's barn is versatile too," he adds. "It has straw storage across the back (15 x 75 x 16 feet high) where the poles are. The rest of the barn is of clear span construction, which means it can be easily cleaned out because there are no posts to interfere. The first bent out from the old barn is fenced off for a feeding area and the hay is fed right from the mow of the old barn into a manger. This area is cemented."

Milne admits that loafing barns are still controversial among purchased breeders. "But even the more hard to convince breeders now admit that they're getting growthier heifers, when they run loose. They make better cows too."

Two other points deserve mention.

If you build an addition don't stint on size. Ingleswood dairyman Herb Watson uses extra bents to run 100 pigs and machinery. If he expands his herd he can always move out the machinery or stop feeding pigs. It costs nearly 20c a pound to grain-feed beef cattle, yet feed makes up only 60 per cent of the cost of raising beef, says Milne. Pole buildings are one of the cheapest ways to keep building and labour costs down.

Clydesdale Show Horses Were Top Prizewinners

A former Georgetown, well known in the west as an agriculturist and livestock breeder Francis Henry Reed, 83, of Edmonton, died recently.

Mr. Reed was superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Station at Lacombe from 1922 until his retirement in 1946. While there, he became interested in the breeding of championship cattle and horses. He raised a herd of Clydesdale show horses that received top prizes in stock competition in all parts of North America. Mr. Reed also served as president of the Clydesdale Breeders' Association of Canada.

He had appeared as a judge of horse shows in many parts of North America, particularly those in Toronto and Chicago, for a number of years.

A native of Georgetown, Ont. Mr. Reed graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph in 1905. While at College, he served as an instructor in mathematics and English.

Mr. Reed joined the civil service in 1908 at Winnipeg. He served as assistant superintendent at the Dominion Experimental Station in Brandon for four years before he came to Alberta. Although he did not serve overseas, Mr. Reed was a captain in the Canadian Army from 1914 until 1917.

Mr. and Mrs. Reed who were married in Toronto in 1909, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on June 30th, at the home of their son, Charles Mitchell Reed. Mr. Reed received the Coronation Medal in 1953.

He is survived by his widow, Helen, the daughter of Rev. Thomas Mitchell, a former Georgetown Methodist minister. Two sons Roderick Clark and Charles Mitchell, both of Edmonton; one daughter, Brenda Backet Waring of New York, and six grandchildren. A brother, Percy, who died two months ago, was Saskatchewan dairy commissioner for 27 years.

The funeral service was held in the Howard and Millrite chapel, Dr. J. F. Woodworth and Dr. R. H. Layton officiated with cremation following.

Brampton Man Begins Private Eye Agency

The district's first private detective agency is now in operation. Headed by James Millar of 3 Morpeth Road, Brampton, an ex-police officer with more than 13 years experience, the Ontario Investigation Service is ready to supply insurance, private and criminal investigations and guard protection service.

Mr. Millar, who has been on the Toronto township police force for the past seven and a half years said he wanted to make Brampton the central spot for the area between Toronto and Hamilton.

Prior to coming to Canada eight years ago, he was with the Glasgow, Scotland, police force for four years. He also spent two years with the Scots Guards Private Corps doing civil and military work in Germany.

Mr. Millar said a list of the type of investigation work was done with the refuge camps, operating from his home. Mr. Millar has two ex-police officers on his staff. He said he hoped to obtain business with lawyers and in the industrial investigation field.

Living in Brampton for about five years, Mr. Millar is married and has four children.

DID YOU KNOW?

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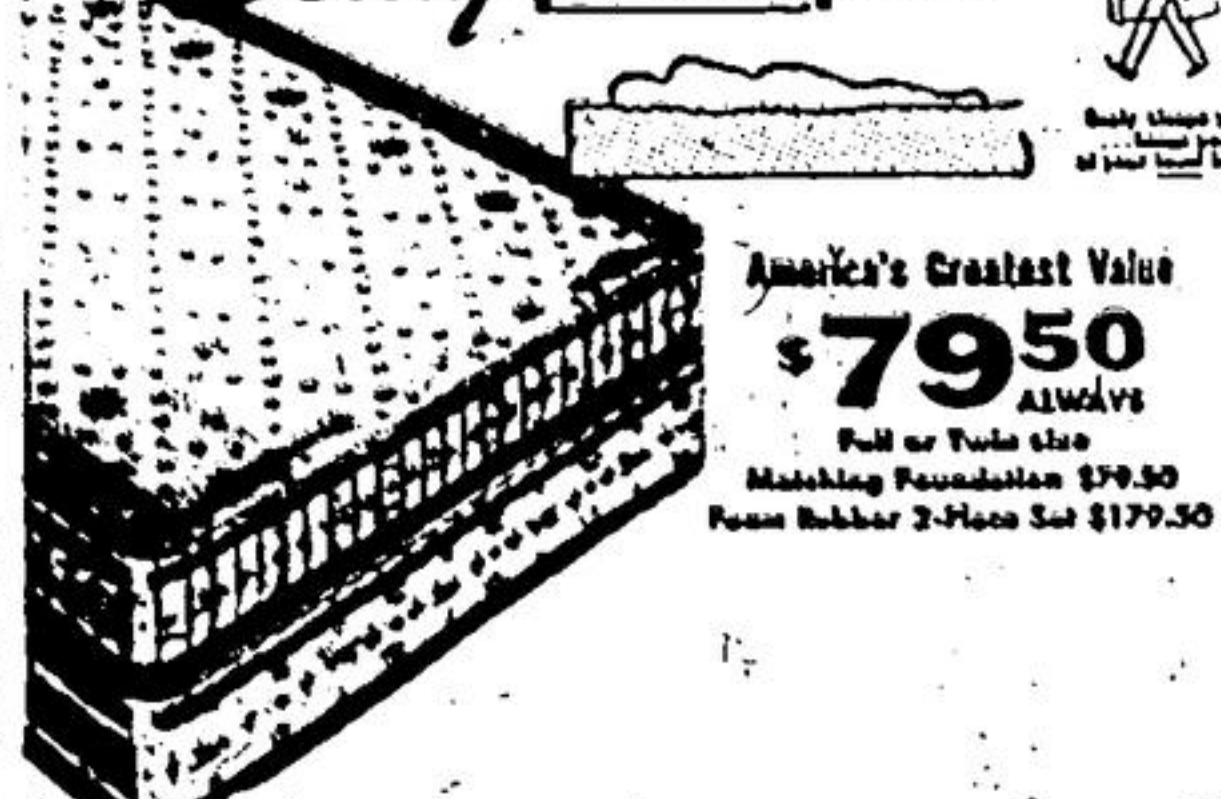
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