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FOUNDATION FACTS

MAY OBSERVATIONS

I would like to take the opportunity to pass on some of the thoughts expressed by O.C. Rampley in his NCA report given at the semiannual directors meeting. Our way of life as farmers and ranchers is being threatened at present probably more than at any other time in history. The nation is being over run by about 12 different groups in an attempt to bring fourth misguided attitudes and information about the environment and animal rights.

One of their primary goals is to get all livestock off public lands and ultimately eliminated. They seem to have unlimited funds and volunteers to accomplish this goal unless we can head off their effort. Secondly they plan on, in due course, having legislature passed which will also allow them to have control of and dictate how our private land and animals can be used. We think to ourselves "this is America — No way." In the 1930's the Jewish people of Germany felt the same way but the thought process of the youth were slowly but gradually changed and finally resulted in the holocaust.

Remember that 88% of the population lives east of the Mississippi and one rancher—farmer feeds 70 people who all feel food costs too much. This leaves those of us involved in the food chain a very small Minority when it comes to voting and making laws which effect our lives.

We need to be very vocal when expressing our opinion and very positive in the action we take. Many school teachers have taken up the environmental attitude and are filling the heads of our Elementary children with misguided facts in the same fashion as the Hitler followers in the 1930's. O.C. mentioned some schools in California were asking the children to crawl under the desk so they could experience the same thing a chicken goes through while trying to live and lay eggs in a small cubical. Things like this makes a real impression, which is long remembered, on a small mind. There are movements in the wind to prohibit us from such practices as branding, dehorning and castrating without the assistance of a Veterinarian to anesthetize the animal. All of us are aware of the sabotage and vandalism taking place around us. Often this type of activity takes place in the more out of the way places where they are less apt to get apprehended so each of us is a potential target.

I guess the greatest question we as individuals have is "what can we do?" As a single voice to support farm and cattle organizations who do have a voice and let them know our feelings. A fair number of our members belong to the National Cattlemens Association which has about 40,000 members. The NCA seems to be the strongest voice we have and are doing a tremendous job. If they had a following of 80-100,000 members they would have a much greater influence. I would encourage each of you, who are not members, to join the NCA and support their efforts.

We have also asked O.C. Rampley to look over the NCA-PAC program for us. I think I share the feelings of many that our Congressmen draw enough pay and that Political Action Funds should not be necessary, but we know the old saying "money talks". Contributions to the right people make them aware of our presence and problems and thus sway legislature to protect us. I would encourage each of you to make a contribution payable to NCA-PAC and mail it to O.C. so that he may see that it gets placed in the right hands. As a beef organization FBA has been asked to contribute \$500.00, more of course would do more good.

We take the opportunity to thank O.C. and Faye Rampley for doing a Yeomen's job. It takes a great deal of time and energy to represent us nationally and we appreciate their liberal donation to us in this respect.

Gayle Evans
FBA President





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FBA SELECTS FIVE PANELISTS FOR CONVENTION PROGRAM

Five expert panelists have been selected to deliver messages and conduct a question and answer period at the FBA Convention in San Antonio, TX. They are: Jay Platt, Attorney and Rancher from Arizona; Sheila Massy, California Cattleman's Association; Robert Rolston, Exec. Secretary of the American Salers Association; O.C. Rampley, FBA Member from Siverton, TX; and Bev Sparrowk, FBA Secretary from Clements, CA.

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND.

Mary M. Wilkinson
Exec. Secretary



GRAND CHAMPION Steer of the State Fair Steer Futurity Contest was an Angus X Beefmaster steer shown by Dallas Deadwyler, Florida. The steer was produced and donated by Lykes Brothers, Okeechobee.



RESERVE Grand Champion Steer at the State Fair was shown by Austin Yelvington, Seville. The Simmental X Beefalo X Brangus steer was produced and donated by Clay Ranch, Palatka.

APPROPRIATE ENDING: LYKES STEER WINS FIRST PREMIER CHAMPIONSHIP

The first Florida State Fair Youth Steer Futurity was held in February, with very successful results, according to Lisa Hinton, agribusines director of the fair authority.

Dallas Deadwyler of Lorida exhibited the premier champion steer, which is selected on a combination of live evaluation, carcass results and record keeping.

The Deadwyler steer was bred by Lykes Brothers, Inc., headquartered in Tampa with ranch headquarters located at Brighton. The late Charles Lykes, who headed the company for many years, was a strong supporter of the Florida State Fair Youth Steer Show and lead the way to the new concept of an all Florida show Heavily slanted toward education.

The reserve premier steer was exhibited by John Davidson of Plant City and bred by Dopyle Carlton, Jr., Tampa, another strong supporter of the new concept.

The Deadwyler steer took top honors in the live judging and second place in the carcass contest, which earned top overall honors.

Davidson's steer placed high in the live evaluation and won first place in the carcass competition to squeeze out other steers for the reserve premier honors.

The reserve champion steer in the live competition was shown by Austin Yelvington of Person and bred by Tommy Clay, Jr., of Palatka.

Other high placing carcass steers from the 34 head that made the show were bred by Elsberry of Fort Lonesome., Hunt Ranch produced two of the top placing carcasses.

Hinton reported that the premier champion steer, bred by Lykes, was selected from the last four steers to be chosen in last years club calf drawing that produced all of the show entries. She said for the first time ever, all of the steers graded choice or select in the carcass division. And, it was the first time all of the steers in the show were produced in Florida.

She said another drawing for the 1991 show will be held this summer.



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Dear FBA Member:

This letter is written in response to the letter from my good friend Dean Freeman printed in the April issue of "Foundation Facts." Dean made a case for his motto "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." While I agree that purposeless fiddling with a system which is operating well is not a good idea, I also believe that waiting for something to break before reacting can lead to problems. I strongly believe in preventive maintenance, whether it is for a truck, a tractor, a saddle, a wheelbarrow, or an organization.

My personal impression of Mr. Tom Lassater is that in his time he was an innovator par excellence. It seems to me that he was constantly looking for a better way to do almost anything. If my impression is correct, then I believe it would be a tragedy if those of us who appreciate so much what he has done would then come to feel that everything has now been accomplished and no more improvement can be made. We would not be showing appreciation for his example unless we were constantly trying to improve things.

It would be especially dangerous for our breed and the cattle business in general if we felt we had reached the epitome of anything and that no one thing could be further improved. You can be confident that someone else will then figure out a way to improve it and will then be ahead of us.

We should not confuse the goal of having perfection in the six essentials with the tools or methods of doing so. New methods; e.g., E.P.D.'s should be constantly evaluated.

I would like to close with the following quotation which I lifted verbatim from The Progressive Farmer.

"The first symptom of complacency is satisfaction with things as they are. The second is a rejection of things as they might be. "Good enough" becomes today's watch word and tomorrow's standard..

Complacency makes people fear the unknown, mistrust the untried and abhor the new.

Like water, those who are complacent follow the easiest course — downhill."

Sincerely,
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The Panhandle New Mexico Beefmaster Breeders held their Sixth Annual Spring sale at the Amarillo Livestock Auction Company in Amarillo, Texas, on Saturday, March 31, 1990.

Thirty 18-month and older bulls, 17 females, and 3 cow-calf pairs were sold by 13 breeders who chose to participate in the sale. Due to the limited number of buyers present, the bidding was not quite as competitive as had been anticipated. However, most of the breeders felt that they had received a fair price for the animals sold.

Owens 0-4 Beefmasters & Dixon Beefmasters had the high-selling females, Dixon the highest-selling pair, and Watts TDBeefmasters had the highest-selling bull.

PNMBB President, Gale Stafford was unable to attend the sale due to an unfortunate accident that resulted in seriously torn and severed ligaments in his knee. He was forced to "participate" from his bed in the home of his brother, Dr. Bob Stafford—who, by the way, performed his surgery and placed the cast on his leg from hip to toe. Although well cared for, Gale is still suffering much discomfort and will not be able to walk on the leg for several weeks. The last time I saw him, he looked as if he were in need of more than a "pick-me-up-bouquet!"

Submitted by
Faye Rampley,
PNMBB Sec./Treas.

ARKANSAS BEEFMASTER SATELLITE REPORT

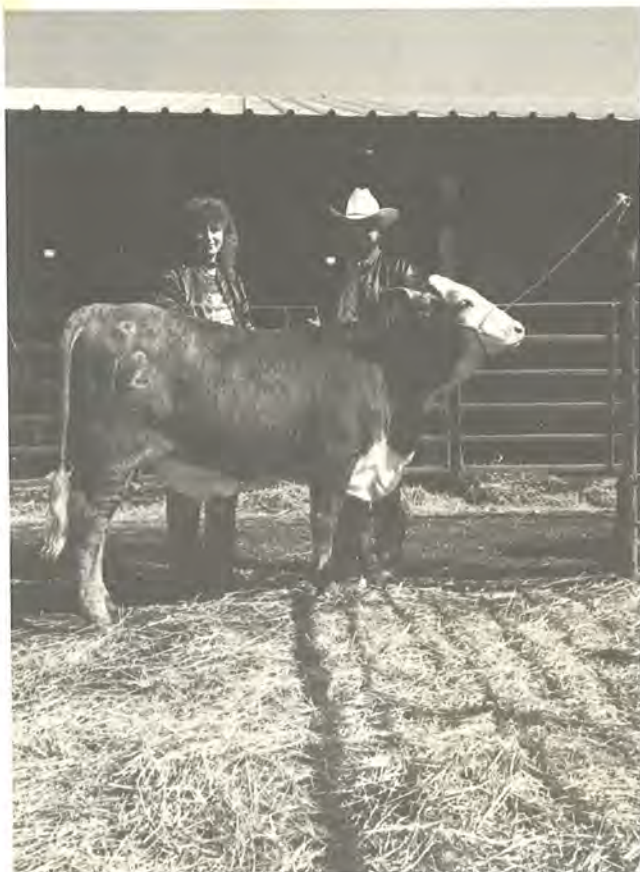
The Arkansas Beefmaster Breeders held their sixth annual seminar on April 21, 1990 in Mulberry, Arkansas. The attendance was good and a lot of interest was shown in Beefmaster cattle.

Dr. J.E. Gotti, Associate Professor of Animal Science, spoke to the group on "Forage Bull Development;" James Gowan on the "FBA Philosophy;" and Oran Tracy spoke on "Beefmaster Performance. "Roy Russell of Charleston, Arkansas was the winner of the Beefmaster bull. He selected a Britt Beefmaster from those on display.

HOA SALE

The 12th Annual Heart-of-America Beefmaster Breeders Spring Sale was held on April 14th in Mt. Vernon, Missouri, with over 400 people from a 9 state area present. Fifty buyers purchased 79 lots for \$109,550. Bill Bishop from El Dorado Springs, Missouri, paid 4,050 for the top selling bull. The top selling pair consigned by Larry Buster of Oologah, Oklahoma, sold to Rick and Gail Newman, Willard, Missouri. Volume buyers were the 07 Ranch, Pittsburg, Kansas, Boy Gene Britt, Okolona, Arkansas, and Ted Neuner, Linn, Missouri. Mike and Patsy Ziler of Reeds, Missouri, had the 1st place futurity heifer; 2nd place was from Larry Buster, Oologah, Oklahoma, and 3rd place was David Hargis Beefmaster, Chickasha, Oklahoma.

HOA is 56 members strong and is a satellite of Foundation Beefmaster Association. Their fall seminar and field day is planned for September 15th at the Jim Willis Ranch in Claremore, Oklahoma.



Mike & Patsy Ziler with 1st place futurity heifer at HOA sale.

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

"WHICH ONES WILL SURVIVE"

The issue was addressed in the April National Cattlemen's Association magazine. Many experts predict that within the next ten years many of the almost 60 breeds now in existence will be eliminated. It was rather enjoyable to read this writer's article on what characteristics are desirable for a breed to survive.

First the packers were addressed. Then prefer choice yield grade 2's with carcass weights of 600 to 800 lbs., with consistent quality. Recent information on several groups of Beefmaster and Beefmaster cross calves shows that Beefmasters can fall into this category with the added advantage of their age being 18 months vs the 2 years which most breeds require to reach the proper size and grade.

Next was the feeder he wants good, consistency conversion ratios, and average daily gains. Again, Beefmasters seem to acquire these characteristics.

Lastly, but most important he addressed the cow/calf producer. He needs to produce the most calves possible with the highest weaning weights in the least amount of time. We all know Beefmasters meet these criteria.

The writer went on to say that any breed is capable of surviving. I believe Beefmasters are already there. Tom gave us the guidelines many years ago. It's up to each individual breeder to follow the six essentials closely, always producing Beefmasters that are of the highest quality possible, to keep them at the top of the list where they belong.

Danny Safrit
Director

BUYERS' AND SELLERS' GUIDE

ARKANSAS

FOR SALE: 1 Deep Red Yearling Bull - Casey/Lasater Breeding.
1 16-month old Dun Bull - Casey/Lasater Breeding.

Tom & Pat Word
Rt. 1, Box 215R
Thornton, AR 71766
(501) 352-8645

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All Lasater and Casey genetics
Ready for Spring breeding.

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Los Alamos, CA 93440
(805) 344-5901

IOWA

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7 Bar X Beefmasters Elmer Goettsch
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Bettendorf, IA 52722
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Dale Glenn
D-Glenn Beefmasters
P. O. Box 152
Lecompton, KS 66050
(913) 887-6198

TEXAS

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Wayne Timmerman
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Balmorhea, TX 79718
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(915) 375-2463 (Nite)
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FOR SALE: 50 good Beefmaster cows bred to calve this Fall.
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Call Dieter Greiner
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Bunky Smith
Lazy S Beefmasters
Route 1, Box 78
Detroit, TX 75436
(214) 632-5760



CORRAL OF EVENTS

June 2, 1990 - Beef "on" Forage Test meeting will be held at Clifton Marek ranch at Lexington, TX SEE INSERT

August 25, 1990 - Southwest Beefmaster Breeders Satellite Annual Seminar at Tuba City, AZ. More details later

September 15, 1990 - HOA seminar Claremore OK 9 a.m. call Jim Willis (918) 341-3985. More details later.

September 29, 1990 - Border Beefmaster Breeders Satellite Seminar. More details later.

October 6, 1990 - ISA Cattle Co. Fall Bull Sale San Angelo.

November 8 - 11, 1990 FBA Annual Convention at San Antonio, TX. PLAN TO ATTEND.

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