

Feedyard guests show interest in beef safety

By Karen Krien

A Japanese filming crew arrived at Callicrate Feed Yard Thursday morning to tour the feedyard and film a news documentary with Mike Callicrate, owner of Callicrate Feed Yard, Mike Schultz, president of the Kansas Cattlemen's Association; Dick Roesch, Scott Roesch, producers and Kansas Cattlemen's Association members; Teegan Callicrate, A.J. Jones; and Chad Wolfe, with K-XXX, Colby radio station.

Mr. Callicrate said this group of Japanese people are the third such group which has been to the feedyard in recent months. Earlier they had toured the packing plants and other feed yards in Kansas and Colorado.

Some of the topics discussed at the meeting included the country of origin labeling, competitive markets, import and exports.

"The Japanese desperately want our (American raised) beef," Mr. Callicrate said.

The crew spokesman said that they wanted to see how American people grew cattle and just how safe is the meat. They will take the film back to their country and show the people. They said that the Japanese people want American beef but want to prove that it is 100 percent safe.

Now, Japan buys most of its beef from Australia. The spokesman said it was not as popular as American beef. Australian beef costs the same as the American beef did when it was allowed into the country but the quality is poor.

The main topic of the conference was importing beef and meats from other countries. It was noted that most people don't realize that when there is a USDA stamp on the package of meat that it doesn't necessar-

ily mean that the meat has been United States Department of Agriculture inspected and is safe.

The cattlemen are seeking country of origin labels on all meat. After all, it is on most of the other things citizens buy such as clothing, just to name one thing.

Later, a group of those present were talking about just what the United States Department of Agriculture's priorities were? It was the consensus that the Department didn't seem to care much about the quality of the meat as a truck load will come into the United States and one container might be marked as inspected and the rest of the containers are not even opened.

"Looks like USDA doesn't care about the people," Mr. Wolfe said.

At the news conference, the producers talked about what happens when the livestock producer loses money. Mr. Schultz said that the producer is forced to move to where he can make money. He will take his family with him which will hurt the school and community population. Consequently, the community dwindles.

He said that it is a fact that small communities are good places to live. Their kids get good educations and most of the college graduates come from small schools.

Mr. Callicrate, keeping the conference moving, asked what was wrong with importing food? After all, gas and oil, just to name some, are imported.

Mr. Schultz said that this country (U.S.A.) was built on production but the question is, who will regulate the trade market?

Mr. Schultz said that people in the United States can still get a good burger for a decent price but generally only high-end markets and restaurants carry good beef.

He said the U.S. market is the best consumer market in the world and the U.S. sets the world market prices. However, legislators are not concerned about farms but concerned about a few packers and workers.

All appeared to agree that there needs to be term limits for House representatives including three terms for the House and two terms for the Senate.

Mr. Schultz said the Kansas Legislators are on the "left side" supporting the big corporate businesses instead of the small producers.

Scott Roesch, when asked if the U.S. could produce enough beef for this country, he said, "No, there is not enough product for the demand."

But if the U.S. is going to import beef, they need to make sure it is tested for safety. The U.S. needs to be "proactive" instead of "reactive."

The demand for beef is up and retail prices have tripled. Still people will pay for good meat.

The Japanese film crew wanted to prove that U.S. livestock is good quality beef, free from the brain-wasting disease. What the Japanese appear to want is 100 percent testing for the disease.

Mr. Schultz agreed that, if the Japanese people want testing to create a safer product, then cattlemen should test their cattle. It would create a safer product for the consumer, thus bring more competition and increase consumer confidence.

"I'm glad to see the Japanese delegation in the U.S. and to hear that they are still interested in the U.S. beef industry and the safety of American beef," said Dick Roesch. "I hope they come away from the trip with more confidence in the safety of American beef."



JAPANESE FILMING CREW was at Callicrate Feedyard making a documentary while Mike Schultz, left, president of the Kansas Cattlemen's Association, explains some of the issues after Mike Callicrate, standing, asks questions. Herald staff photo by Karen Krien

Hearing held in St. Francis on Tuesday

A St. Francis man and his lawyer attempted to prove that the directions on the warrant and affidavit were so vague that the law officers who delivered the warrant and proceeded with the search could have delivered them to a number of rural Cheyenne County homes on Feb. 20. In the end, Judge Jack Burr said the motion to suppress the warrant was denied.

Reil Zimbelman, who was charged with manufacturing methamphetamine and possession of items to make methamphetamines and drug paraphernalia and marijuana after a search of his grounds on Feb. 22, and his lawyer, Charles

Peckham, attempted to prove that the address on the warrant and affidavit was Rt. 2, Box 44, Cheyenne County, Kansas with the description of a white house and out buildings. Because that was not the physical location of Mr. Zimbelman's property and there are numerous white houses in the county, the defense said it could be any number of homes.

There were many photos of the Zimbelman farm and home along with a photo of his mailbox which is located almost a mile from his home. Mr. Peckham asked Under-sheriff Mark Davidson if he had searched Rural Route 2, Box 44. He

said, "No, he hadn't investigated the mailbox."

Also taking the stand for the prosecution was Kansas Bureau of Investigation officer Tim Lakey; for the defense, Penny Sheldon, St. Francis Postmaster; Janelle Bowers, emergency medical technician, Lanny DeGood, postal carrier for Rural Route 2, and Mr. Zimbelman.

In her closing arguments, Julie Carroll, representing the Attorney General's office, said that the Rural Route 2, Box 44 has been linked to the Reil Zimbelman farm house. Officer Davidson stated that he had delivered a summons to Mr. Zimbelman's house. She also said that before delivering the search warrant, the plans had been laid out, there was a map and everyone knew where they were going.

Judge Burr agreed that the warrant and affidavit were poorly written but thought it was clear that the papers referred to Mr. Zimbelman. He also said that in rural Cheyenne County, Kansas, people know where other people live and most people know exactly how to reach Mr. Zimbelman's home.

The thought there was enough evidence to narrow down the location where the warrant was served and, had the judge who signed the warrant been given the map, some legal description and some of the photos which were used as evidence in court, it would have helped him when he signed the papers.

Had the defense won this matter, Mr. Zimbelman would have walked out of court without the charges.

But, since this did not happen, Mr. Zimbelman will be tried before a 12-person jury on Sept. 14, 15 and 16.

McDonald News

By Vera Kacirek

On Sunday Kenny and Phyllis Wilkinson, Greg Wilkinson and Laddie Kacirek enjoyed the Beardsley Beavers 4-H Tour and the supper at the 4-H building.

Rachel and Taylor Wilson, Chanda Sabatka, Carl Earnest and Garrett Dowling, all of Manhattan were weekend guests of R.J. and Susie Sabatka. Vera Kacirek was a Sunday brunch guest.

Vance and Betty Lewis returned home on Wednesday from a trip to California. They were guests of Thad and Donna Lewis in Orcutt, Calif., and attended the wedding of their granddaughter.

Kent and Amelia Banister drove to Oberlin on Sunday where they visited Myrtle Hazuka in the Cedar Living.

Dennis and Lila Howard spent all day on July 4 with Tunney and Leila Loker.

Phyllis Clendinnen and daughter, Katheleen Nessey of New Palestine, Ind., were Tuesday supper and overnight guests of Tunney and Leila Loker.

Les and Tish Loker were Saturday visitors of Tunney and Leila Loker and J.B. and Brenda Loker were Sunday visitors.

News From the Past

Taken from the *Cheyenne County Rustler*, the first newspaper in Cheyenne County. Dated July 24, 1885.

- Our first trip to Bird City was made the 15th Inst., and we were agreeably surprised to note the substantial improvements made. The town is beautifully located and bounded by rich, level prairie, partially improved. The site is owned by the Northwestern Town Site Co. Benj. Bird, Prest. and A.T. Burr, Secy.

The local Corporation business is transacted by D.W. Cave and Max Rich, enterprising and liberal men, who enjoy the confidence and esteem of their fellow citizens.

The town well, the mecca of the place, opens its cavernous jaws to a depth of about 200 feet, furnishing an abundance of water by means of a Halliday windmill and pump.

A two-story hotel, with hip roof, 24 feet square, is nearly completed and will be run by John Elliott, formerly of Nebr.

The Kerndt Bros., of Lansing, Ia., keep a general store and sell goods at very reasonable rates.

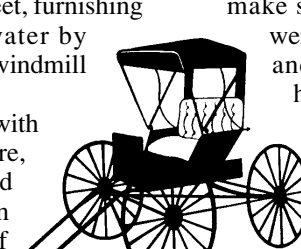
At the lumberyard, we met F.B. Combs, manager, a genial young man from 11 worth. The livery stable of Pendarvis & Son is a model institution, where courtesy and business methods prevail.

W.A. Mitchell & Co., druggists, are driving a fine trade. Mr. M is an old settler in the county, having located the "4 c" ranch of which he was foreman a year.

The courtesies of the "craft" were extended by Murray of the News, who sings the praises of his town in story and verse.

We met other enterprising citizens of whom we have not space to make special mention. We were handsomely treated and could but note the harmony, good feeling and unanimity of purpose existing among the people.

Vive la Bird City!



District schedules info on snakes and insects

Cheyenne County Conservation District is sponsoring the second workshop in a four-part series. Students, grades seven through 11, are encouraged to attend the free Eco-Meet Workshops scheduled for 9:30 a.m. July 18 in St. Francis at the roadside park on the south end.

Guest speaker will be Andy Burr, Natural Resources Conservation Services District conservationist in

Colby. He will give a presentation about different snakes, insects and reptiles through fun activities and live specimens.

"Plan to attend," Jeanne Dunn, Cheyenne County Conservation District office, said. "Call the Conservation District office at (785) 332-2341 extension 101 for more information. Don't miss this fun opportunity."

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