

Ida's Notebook

Ida Risser



My family has several birthdays in the month of May. As you read this my mother will just have reached her 85th birthday.

She recently moved to a retirement community and we are endeavoring to empty her large house. In attempting to comply with her wishes and not have

sale, we are now in the process of turning six more houses into ones that are as crowded as her home was. Some things we find are pleasant surprises, some are gruesome and some are interesting.

One such item was a black stationery folder, badly battered, which held a few letters from a soldier in the Civil War. The letters would probably mean even more to a member of this boy's family-McIntyre descendants.

It appears that when Franklin McIntyre wrote home from Plymouth, North Carolina to his mother, his main concern was to urge his family to write to him and to

find out where his brother Samuel was stationed. He talks of standing picket duty and the shooting the "rebs" like he did rabbits in the fields of home. He tells his mother not to worry as he is a brave boy and mentions that he was in the hospital with the measles.

There is a brother Enos Diller McIntyre and he feels two from one family is enough in the war. In his letter dated April 6, 1864 he stresses to his mother that he doesn't drink whiskey and that he has plenty of soft bread and fresh beef to eat.

There is also a newspaper clipping with the letters which states that William Weidler McIntyre died Feb. 16, 1876 aged 15 years, 5 months and 12 days.

Considering the present unrest in our world, such letters certainly give us reason to pause and pray for peace.

Lancaster Farming, Saturday, May 17, 1980—C9

Limousin sale nets over \$100 grand

COLUMBUS, Oh. — A total of \$105,160 rolled in for the 98 lots sold at the Eastern Limousin Breeders Assoc Spring sale, held Saturday, May 3.

Buyers from nine states helped push the sale average up to \$1073.

Steven Linkinogger of Tariff, W.V., bought the top selling bull, Nordic Kelsey XIM 38K for \$3400. This fullblood bull was a July 1978 son of Essor and consigned by Nordic Farms LTD, Campbellville, Ontario.

Nordic Farms also had the second highest selling bull at \$3350. It was an April 1979 fullblood son of Golden Rod and was purchased by Walnut Hill Farm, Charleston, W.V.

A total of 16 purebred bulls averaged \$2094.

Indian Trail Farm, Trail, Oh., purchased the top

selling purebred cow for \$3000. She was a March 1976 daughter of K&D Beau Everest KDS 2E and had a Gendarme bull calf at side.

Gordon Briggs of Gambier, Oh., had the top selling open purebred female. This December 1978 daughter of Espoir sold to Don Faidley, Colfax, IA for \$1125.

The 29 open purebred heifers averaged \$888. Seven bred 75% heifers averaged \$750. Thirteen open percentage heifers averaged \$595.

Fawley Farms, Lynchburg, Oh., had the top selling percentage bull. He was a Marc 1978 son of Bold Type and sold to C.H. Birney of Jewett, Oh. for \$1410.

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