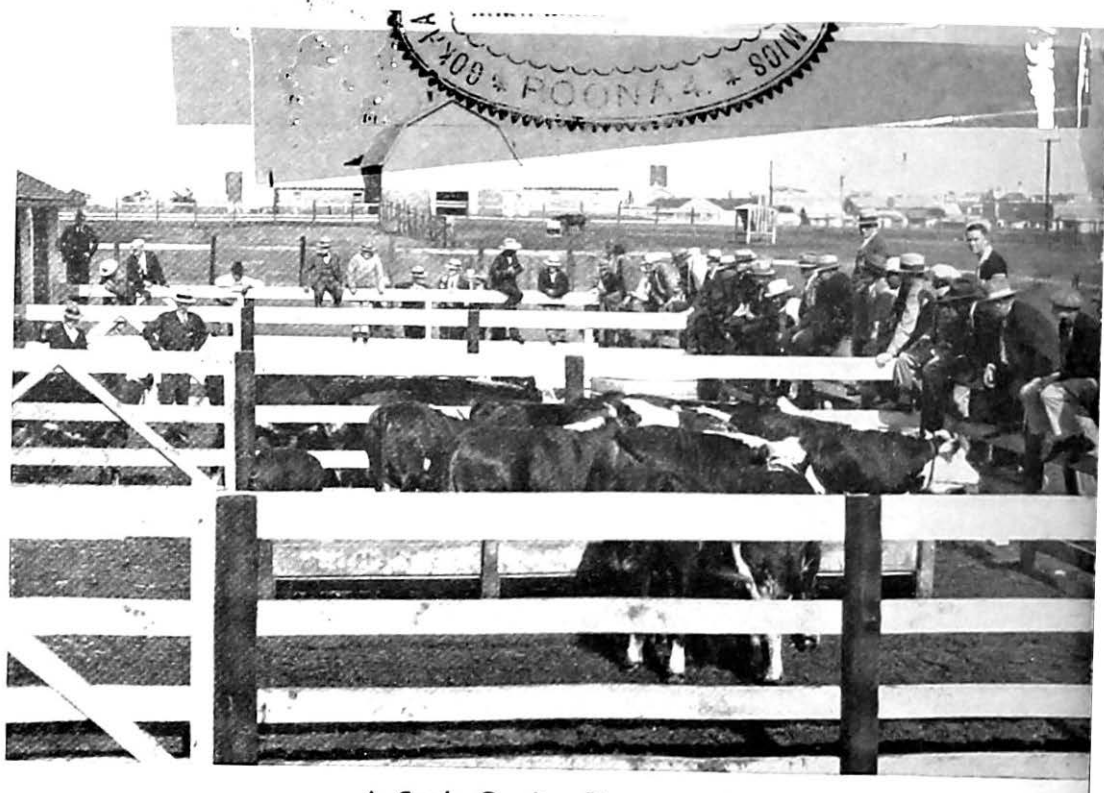


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FOREWORD

Familiarity on the part of producers of agricultural products with market standards which have been established for their products is becoming increasingly important.

The entire livestock industry, for example, would be greatly benefited if livestock producers, distributors, and marketing agencies were to make a more extensive use of market classes and grades of livestock.

Beef cattle hold an important place in the livestock industry. Both present and prospective farmers interested in beef production, therefore, may well devote time to a study of grades and grading, so that they may be able to interpret market reports more accurately and to discern and follow more closely changes in market demand. With this knowledge and information at their command they will be better able to produce what the market wants and to dispose of what they produce at the most profitable time and place.

The subject-matter contained in this leaflet is designed to assist teachers of vocational agriculture in training present and prospective farmers in the job of grading feeder and stocker steers and in similar jobs. The manuscript for the leaflet was prepared under the direction of J. A. Linke, Chief of the Agricultural Education Service, Office of Education, by W. A. Ross, Subject-Matter Specialist in Agricultural Education, with the advice of M. T. Foster, Associate Marketing Specialist, Agricultural Marketing Service, Division of Livestock, Meats, and Wool, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, United States Department of Agriculture. All photographs used are by courtesy of the United States Department of Agriculture.

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