

Decrease in Bovine Tuberculosis Heavy

Less than one-third as many cattle slaughtered under Federal meat inspection during the year ended June 30, 1932, were affected with tuberculosis as were found ten years ago, showing the effectiveness of Nationwide work to eradicate tuberculosis, says the Bureau of Animal Industry. Severity of the disease in infected animals also was less than a decade ago, with only about one-fourth as many entire carcasses condemned as in 1922.

Total number of cattle inspected was practically the same the two years. 7,793,578 in 1932 and 7,795,323 in 1922. Cattle showing evidence of tuberculosis in 1932 numbered 38,446 as compared with 146,945 ten years ago. Meat inspection records bear out results of field surveys of bovine tuberculosis both showing infection one-third that a decade ago.