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Mr. George D. Ormsby Wilton Junction, Iowa

Dear Mr. Ormsby:

Was glad to receive your letter dated May 5, 1931, for the reason that I believe you have been misinformed regarding the force and effect of the quarantine that was issued to you by the Iowa Department of Agriculture on the date of May 1, 1931.

For your information will say that I am not taking the law in my own hands, as it is specifically set forth in section 2701, Chapter 129, in the Code of Iowa, 1927. As to my making the statement you refer to in your letter to the Clarence creamery is a mistake, as I have never had the privilege of visiting said creamery. If I should have made such a remark as you refer to, I would then be taking the law into my own hands.

I have learned since being in Cedar County that a great many farmers have been mislead by such remarks, as well as the remarks made that the T.B. eradication law is not a law.

For your information, will say that the T.B. law is one that has been tried out in the District Courts and the Supreme Court of the State of Iowa, and was declared constitutional.

The quarantine of cattle is a legal proceedure, and that same is being done under the advice of the Attorney General's office, and it is not done to scare people into testing their cattle, but merely following the law and as you know the laws of the State must be enforced.

very truly yours,

Chief Division of Animal Industry