Prince Domino Mischief

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It is highly possible that the Nebraska Hereford herd sire that had the greatest overall impact on the breed was Prince Domino Mischief, bred and owned by the Mousel Brothers from Cambridge.

Mousels owned a great show heifer, Mischief Maker 6th, who was being shown at the Chicago International Exposition in 1919. She was second in class, and the Mousels turned down a cash offer of \$8000 for her in order to accept an opportunity from Otto Fulscher to breed this heifer to his prominent herd bull, Prince Domino.

Prince Domino Mischief was the result of this mating, and he became the anchor of the Mousel herd bull battery until he died, relatively young, at the age of four, on Christmas Day in 1924. But his impact on the breed's genetics were just beginning.

One son, Advance Mischief, sired progeny that descended into a number of prominent families. These families included the Advance Mischiefs, the Prominos, the Advance Mixtures, the Husker Mischiefs, the Advance Prince Dominos, the Lamplighters (including the polled strain) the Anxiety Kings, the RC Onward Mischiefs, and a line of JPC Husker Dominos. From a second son, Advance Domino, descended the Advance Dominos, the Line Ones, the Advance Hartlands, a line of the Rusticana and Ribstone Dominos, the Champion Dominos, and two important polled strains, the Gold Mines and the Mesa Dominos.

According to J. H. Lents, in a 1992 Hereford Journal article, Prince Domino Mischief may have been the single most important sire of the twentieth century. Only the record of his sire, Fulcher's Prince Domino, might mount a reasonable challenge to this position, according to Lents.

