

Have you ever wondered how the “Original Gang of Ten” learned about the “birds and the bees?” Probably not. However, Uncle Clayton, many years ago, committed to writing his thoughts on the subject. In our enlightened age of “communication,” sex is discussed openly and almost casually. It’s interesting, then, to go back to a more “innocent” time generations ago and see how Earl and Clayton dealt with a sexual “myth” that their sister, Elizabeth, had imparted to them.

## SEX EDUCATION ON THE FARM

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People think kids growing up on a farm learn all about sex from watching animals. This is just not so. We learned about sex alright, and some of it *was* from watching animals. But Earl’s and my sex education came mostly from our older sister Elizabeth, and from the neighbor’s older boy.

My education was second-hand through Earl from Elizabeth. It was detailed about the sex act, how it was performed, and how babies resulted. But in one respect it was wrong! Earl and I knew we each had two testicles. We saw that our bull also had two testicles. According to the information conveyed by Elizabeth, during the sex act, one of the testicles would be implanted in the female and a baby would grow.



Well, one day, Papa let Earl and I watch while he used the bull to breed a cow. The bull had real trouble penetrating the cow. Papa had to guide the penis into the right place. Finally, he

was successful, and Papa said the cow was bred. Earl saw that the bull still had his two testicles.

Earl said to Papa, “It was not successful. The bull still has both of them.” Papa laughed. Then he explained that the testicle (this was the first time we had heard

that word) produced a fluid which went into the cow and caused a calf to grow.

This explained a great mystery to Earl and me. We had wondered how a man with only two testicles could produce more than two children.