

# 45th Annual Kansas Ram Sale

April 19 & 20, 1991

State Fairgrounds  
Hutchinson, Kansas

Judge: Henry Shultz  
Centralia, Missouri

Auctioneers: Tom Diel,  
Perkins, OK  
Bobby Fletcher  
Wolfforth, TX

Where else in Kansas can you  
find 170 club lambs for sale at  
one location?

Only at the Kansas Ram Sale!  
Club lambs sell immediately  
following Rams on Saturday,  
April 20

Information/Catalog:  
Kerri Ebert  
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Following The Ram Sale ...

**ABELDT BROTHERS**  
Suffolk Production Sale

Approximately 4 p.m.,  
Saturday, April 20  
Same Location

Selling: 40 Ewes & Ewe Lambs  
10 Yearling Rams  
30 Moffat-Sired Club Lambs

Information: Larry Abeldt  
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## The killer carrot

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Holding true to my claim of always being on the cutting edge of food safety news, I recently stumbled onto some obscure information that could set the world on its rear. A review of the research findings left me with a sore jaw, prompting me to warn KLA members to read this with their chins placed firmly against the kitchen table to avoid hyperextension of the chewing apparatus (an injury that once threatened Bo Jackson's career after he counted the cash from his first paycheck) and excessive lip stretch. Now hold on, here it is:

Plain and simple, carrots will kill you. Every carrot you eat brings you nearer to death. Although leading horticulturists have long known that *Daucus Carota* is a delicious vegetable, the thinking man has failed to grasp the terrifying gastro-significance of this earthen plant.

Carrots are associated with all the major diseases of the body. Eating them breeds wars and communism. They can be related to most airline tragedies. Auto accidents are caused by carrots. There exists a positive relationship between crime waves and consumption of this vegetable. Take the following as examples:

- Nearly all sick people have eaten carrots. The effects are obviously cumulative.
- 99.9% of all American soldiers have eaten carrots.
- 96.8% of all people who die from cancer have eaten carrots.
- 99.9% of all American soldiers have eaten carrots.
- 96.8% of all Red sympathizers have eaten carrots.
- 99.9% of the people involved in air and auto accidents ate carrots within 60 days preceding the accident.
- 93.1% of juvenile delinquents come from homes where carrots are served frequently.

Evidence also points to serious long-term effects from eating carrots:

- Of the people born in 1839 who later dined on carrots, there has been a 100% mortality.
- All carrot eaters born between 1849 and 1859 have wrinkled skin, have lost most of their teeth, have brittle bones and failing eyesight, if the ills of eating carrots have not already caused their deaths.
- Even more convincing is the report of a noted team of medical specialists: rats force-fed with 20 lbs. of carrots per day for 30 days developed bulging abdomens. Their appetites for wholesome food were destroyed.

The researchers conclusion was that humans should avoid the disastrous effects of carrot-eating by changing their eating habits. They recommend eating orchid petal soup. Very little confirmation was found that persons who eat orchid petal soup have had problems.

Simply amazing. I can't believe this information has been kept from the public this long. What's even more amazing is that carrot history is being made in the *Kansas Stockman*, a state cattle magazine. Where have *USA Today*, the *New York Times* and *The Wall Street Journal* been on this story? Obviously not in the garden.

The masquerade has gone on long enough. This tongue-in-cheek analysis of manipulating data was authored by the Northern California Section of the Institute of Food Technologists, which likely did a great deal of brainstorming to assemble this bogus information. They are to be commended for making their point in such a graphic manner.

This is a humorous example of how blatant lies get their roots. Some numerical extrapolator makes a fictitious connection that is reported as the gospel. For future reference, the red meat industry has not been and will not be immune to such occurrences.