

Mutt Knew What to Do at That

By "Bud" Fisher



The Last Big Game Field

There still exists a land where the sound of a rifle is unknown; as great in extent as the big game fields of British East Africa or South Africa in the old days; swarming with untouched game; healthy, and, now that the route and method have been worked out, easily accessible to a man who is willing to go lithe and work. Furthermore, I must repeat, this is the last new game field of real extent. All the rest of the continent is well enough known. Therefore we have the real pleasure, not only in opening a new and rich country to the knowledge of sportsmen, but the added satisfaction of knowing that we are the last who will ever behold such a country for the first time—Stewart Edward White in April OUTING.

Read the Want Ads in today's Courier.

ADVANCE SCORED IN SHEEP MARKET; SHORN LAMBS MAKING BEST GAIN

LIVE MUTTONS RAISED TO BEST LEVELS OF YEAR; CLIPPED STOCK IS STRONGEST

CATTLE RULE DULL

Bovine Trade Shows an Irregular Tendency; Some Hold Up to Last Week While Others Are Off a Point

A healthy and higher market for sheep and shorn lambs marks the feature in favor of the sellers at the Union Stock Yards this week. Woolly lambs touched the best figure recorded since the first full week in January and most of the shorn stock shows an advance of fifty cents over a week ago. Trade in hogs has been against the producer and declines for the week will run 10¢ to 25¢ influenced in the main by a slack demand for pork products. The cattle market is still in the rut and some lower, with the exception of a few calves where the decline, so pronounced for the past two weeks, has been checked and a brisk demand ensued at the lower prices.

A top of \$3.70 was registered this week for prime beef cattle against \$3.55 the best last week, but this unreal is for "specialty" stuff, and a slice has been taken off to the extent of a dime or fifteen cents.

In the butcher class, last week's closing prices prevailed for the general run of offerings outside the dairy weight steers. The latter have enjoyed popularity all week, having been scarce and the closing prices show an advance of 10¢ to 15¢ over a week ago. A few heavy cows are still selling to a little better advantage. Demand this week has been materially below normal. Killers have had access to a larger quota of plain butcher cows, many of which have shown dairy breeding and it is still a discriminating market for the latter. Early week trading for light heifer stuff of a decent to best killing grade was sharply higher, and remain the best sellers.

Prices in the bull trade show little variation from those prevailing on the close last week, a little strength possibly being noted on good strong weight bolognas and fat heavy sorts. Fat heavy bulls are still mean sellers, bringing \$5.60 to \$6.75, and the prime sorts upward from \$7 to \$7.50.

Canner and cutters have not been in profuse supply but demand is not broad at the prices. Little change being noted. Killers continued to show ability to get along on light supplies, claiming beef demand is making no material growth, either here or in the east. Short runs are had west, as well as locally, though southwest the Texas stuff is in fair supply and as the season advances and more of the Texans are marketed, these may prove an influence in holding local demand under wraps.

The eastern industrial situation is showing some improvement and that is the crux of the distributive situation. Labor union figures at New York show gradual resumption of construction work, the unemployed army in that city, recently estimated by union officials at 75,000, having been reduced by 25,000 recently with practical certainty that most of the remainder will be active by May 1. The strike microbe is busy, however, and this is likely to cause more or less inactivity during the next 90 days. In Chicago a brickyard strike is already affecting building and disputes over jurisdiction between different trades are likely to result in reasonable tieup. Around May 1 labor controversies are usually aired and the beef market invariably suffers. A coal strike is threatened, but may be averted. Coal miners are heavy beef consumers and even a brief tieup of that industry would affect the cattle market adversely. How dependent beef trade is on industrial activity is not generally realized. New York distributors assert that conditions in that territory have been normal and pay rolls been of usual length. Imports of Argentina beef would have been absorbed without creating a ripple on the surface of the market pound, whereas, the stuff has accumulated, necessitating distribution over a large area to work it off.

The run of Texas cattle from below the quarantine line promises to be large. There is still an abundant and growers are naturally desirous of putting on every possible pound of weight. All winter weeds have been plentiful and if grass comes strong as usual, since the big American houses and growers are naturally desirous of holding cattle back. The first trainload has been started and the reception it gets will depend on how cars are ordered. The Texas run promises to be well sized, since the southwestern strength is variously estimated at 220,000 to 300,000 head. Many of these are young cattle, susceptible of making considerable growth, and unless prices are attractive, they will be retained, especially if feed continues abundant. Texas growers are very bullish in their ideas concerning the future and not disposed to sacrifice anything.

Argentine beef, heavy supplies of which are in New York and much of it being transhipped to other eastern points, is crowding the demand for domestic product. This killers freely admitted, and a string of choice Michigan-fed western wethers was put over at \$6.85, a new high point since last May. Some Minnesota and Wisconsin-fed yearling wethers at \$7.25 averaged about \$5 lbs. and while good, lacked top class.

Some urgent call from packers and fair eastern shipping demand were the factors in the continued upward trend of the market. Buffalo, on a light Friday were moderate receipts and scored an \$8.50 top, 25¢ above Thursday. The booming market this week has come as a big, agreeable surprise to the selling side. Expectancy a week ago was for some little improvement but had anybody forecasted a full 35¢ to 50¢ advance on wooled sheep and lambs this week and a bulge of anywhere from 50¢ to 75¢ in shorn stock, mostly 60¢ to 65¢, advances which have demanded a week ago of fat classes, he would have been considered a fit subject for a lunacy commission inquiry. Improved dressed trade conditions, light runs east, good shipping demand and broadened call to satisfy coming Easter trade requirements have been strengthening factors that for the time being, at least, have lifted the market out of killers' grasp. The high levels the market is now hitting gives it a topheavy appearance and while handy lambs should enjoy a good price, Easter call next week, trade conditions will be largely on the receipts. From advices thus far received, Colorado has not loaded heavier than this week for the coming week's market, but the advance will doubtless bring out good runs of fat western stock from every nook and cranny where any

ever, as evidenced by tests of the various markets, a drove of plain but fat 1400-lb steers sold Thursday at \$8.55 being a cut off of a drove of identical weight and quality, that made only \$8.25 at Kansas City last Monday, a clean 30¢ margin in favor of Chicago, despite the break in the midweek market, this being a class that would easily have made \$8.70 to \$8.75 here on Monday. Sellers cited similar instances of better prices prevailing here this week as matched against "split" sales of identical quality goods at other river points.

No more Argentina beef has reached Chicago. Last week's consignment was largely in the nature of a novelty. Everybody wanted a sample and the verdict was unanimous. Assertion that South American product is equal to that of domestic beef is pure brag. The Stock Yard "bunch" has tried it out and judgment from that source is not open to dispute. Argentina beef will all right in its way, but it lacks texture, color and flavor, and does not stack up with corn fed beef. Various reasons have been assigned for failure of beef to distribute readily. Unfinished consumption has been the one recurring most credence. This idea is confirmed by an Associated Press dispatch from New York which says: "Roswell D. Tompkins, secretary of the United Board of Business Agents of the unions in the building trades, in a report made public yesterday, said that the number of unemployed mechanics in this city had decreased in the last five or six weeks. Between five and six weeks ago, he said, there were about 70,000 building mechanics idle and at present the number is about 50,000. With improving weather conditions it is stated another 10,000 of these unemployed men will be at work in the next few days. Men out of work do not use much beef nor do their families. At other industrial centers a similar condition exists. These depressions come around at irregular intervals and must be reckoned with. It so happens that at this juncture beef cost is almost prohibitive, while in former depressions cattle were selling low. Revival of beef demand awaits improvement in the industrial situation and eventually that must occur. Receipts of cattle this week will total 41,550 only a few hundred less than last week. The week against 38,580 for the same period a year ago. The top this week for prime beef is sixty cents higher than for the same six days a year ago. The hog market this week failed to breathe a sigh of relief. Packers continue persistent in their bearish tactics and sight the fact that hogs at present prices are losing them money. Declines this week have been gradual and steady and closing prices are about at the bottom. Monday's market displayed the most strength when receipts failed to come up to expectations. The top this week is 25¢ under that of a week ago at \$8.92 1/2 on Monday. The loss for the week will run 10¢ to 25¢. Receipts for the week are some 15,000 less than expected, total arrivals unofficially being 125,000 compared with 121,059 a year ago. Sellers and lambs and sheep have had their inning this week, resulting in an advance of 15¢ to 20¢. Factors in this advance were moderate receipts and a better eastern demand from shippers. Local packers have been keen competitors and seemed to care little about the prevailing price as long as they got the goods. Sheep were remarkably scarce, a search for ewe stock revealing the presence of only a few small odd bunches, neither enough nor the right kind to test the market, but everybody was ready to buy. A string of choice Michigan-fed western wethers was put over at \$6.85, a new high point since last May. Some Minnesota and Wisconsin-fed yearling wethers at \$7.25 averaged about \$5 lbs. and while good, lacked top class. Some urgent call from packers and fair eastern shipping demand were the factors in the continued upward trend of the market. Buffalo, on a light Friday were moderate receipts and scored an \$8.50 top, 25¢ above Thursday. The booming market this week has come as a big, agreeable surprise to the selling side. Expectancy a week ago was for some little improvement but had anybody forecasted a full 35¢ to 50¢ advance on wooled sheep and lambs this week and a bulge of anywhere from 50¢ to 75¢ in shorn stock, mostly 60¢ to 65¢, advances which have demanded a week ago of fat classes, he would have been considered a fit subject for a lunacy commission inquiry. Improved dressed trade conditions, light runs east, good shipping demand and broadened call to satisfy coming Easter trade requirements have been strengthening factors that for the time being, at least, have lifted the market out of killers' grasp. The high levels the market is now hitting gives it a topheavy appearance and while handy lambs should enjoy a good price, Easter call next week, trade conditions will be largely on the receipts. From advices thus far received, Colorado has not loaded heavier than this week for the coming week's market, but the advance will doubtless bring out good runs of fat western stock from every nook and cranny where any

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Morris Williams Horse Market

Will need horses this week.—At our markets last week we had just 280 head of horses and the majority of them right good stuff. We also had an unusually large attendance of buyers including all our regular customers and in addition a number of new buyers, among them Arthur Fretz, Philadelphia, Pa., Jas. Mahoney, Roseville, Ill., E. J. Foster, Alden, Mich., W. E. Parker, Duluth, Minn., H. J. Goodman, Elgin, Ill., Bloom Buch, Shelby, Ohio, and a large attendance of farmer buyers from surrounding counties. This week for special reasons we will not have a very large supply of horses and as the demand is now good, we will need every horse we can possibly get. If too busy to bring your stock in send me word and I will send out a buyer. Morris Williams.

The eyes have a true expression in photographs we make. Studio Main and Market.

PUBLIC SALE

Of Milton Carnahan estate. By an agreement of the heirs the property of the late Milton Carnahan will be sold at public auction at his late residence, 3 1/2 miles northwest of Bunch and 3 east of Unionville, on Saturday, April 4 at 1 p. m.

THE PROPERTY. Three brood mares, all heavy in foal and ranging in age from 7 to 12 years, double work harness, almost new Moline farm wagon, hog that will weigh 100 pounds 32 chickens, etc. THE TERMS. Nine months time on sums over \$5, notes to draw 6 per cent interest from date. All sums under \$5, cash. Elmer & Geo. Carnahan MANAGERS. COL. SWAIM, Auctioneer. OLIN SWAIM, Clerk.

of such stuff may now be hidden. A heavy run would doubtless "spill the beans" for the selling side, as prices are reaching a dangerously high level. A run of Texas grass sheep is looming up on the market horizon. Fort Worth is getting some and a few loads reached Kansas City yesterday. They are expected to come good and rather numerous from now on, but the supply of matured muttons in corn-belt and western territory is very low according to all information available and no grave fears are entertained for the immediate future of this branch of the market. Receipts locally fell short 10,000 of the estimated run for the week, unofficial arrival here numbering 34,500.

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JOINVILLE 72022 weight 2920. Is a beautiful gray with star in forehead, large bone and a sure foal getter. Was foaled in 1909. He's an extra good animal in every way. GAMBRAUER 71605 weight 2150. Is a black and has an extra large bone. He was foaled in 1906 and has proved a sure breeder. Look this fine horse over.

WILL MAKE THE SEASON OF 1914 AT MY BARN IN BLAKESBURG. State certificate—Joinville No. 43 Gambrauer No. 2142. The pedigrees of the stallions—Joinville 72022 (\$9249) and Gambrauer 71605 (\$2302) foaled in the years 1909 and 1906, owned by Eli Swaim, Blakesburg, Iowa, have been examined in the office of the Iowa state department of agriculture and it is hereby certified that these stallions have been registered in the proper stud book, duly recognized by the Iowa department of agriculture, and have been certified to by Dr. A. L. Hoagland, veterinarian, as being free from hereditary, infectious, contagious or transmissible disease or unsoundness specified in the stallion law. A. R. COREY, Secretary Department of Agriculture. Dated at Des Moines Feb. 26, 1914.

TERMS—\$12.50 to insure coat to stand and such. Parting with mare or removing from neighborhood forfeits insurance and fees become due and must be paid without further notice. Not responsible should any accidents occur. ELI SWAIM.

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WANTED—TO TRADE AN AUTOMOBILE for horse and buggy. Phone 2084-Y.	BARRED ROCK EGGS FOR SALE from big boned birds, 75c per 15, \$4.50 per hundred. Grace Emmons, Libertyville, Ill., Iowa.
WANTED—TO BUY HIDES AND CALVES. Boston Market No. 1 at 123 East Second. Both phones 40.	AMERICAN STANDARD FAWN AND WHITE Indian Runner Duck eggs for hatching, \$1 per 15, \$6 per 100. Mrs. W. A. Fulmer. Phone 10-Y Eddyville Iowa.
FOR SALE 10 ACRES IRRIGATED GOOD BEET potato and alfalfa land. No bonded debt; near town, good school. Price \$750. R. Allison, Fort Morgan, Colo.	RHODE ISLAND REDS, SINGLE and Rose Comb from four pens of high scoring stock. I have raised and shown Reds for ten years. I have more state fair and state show ribbons than any breeder in Iowa. Eggs \$1, \$2 and \$5 per 15. Good utilities headed with fine male, \$5 per 100. Main Line Poultry Yards, Wib F. Clements, Agency, Iowa. Old phone 208.
WANTED—ONE SITTING EACH OF Pekin and Ruedn duck eggs. Dr. Wm. Hansell, 114 E. Main, Ottumwa.	FOR SALE—WHITE WYANDOTTE and Barred Rock eggs, 75c per sitting. Mrs. W. C. McMichael, 417 North Clay street. New phone 771-X.
S. C. R. I. RED EGGS FOR HATCHING, \$1 per 15. Mrs. Rola James, Eldon, Iowa.	FOR SALE—110 ACRES ONE-HALF mile from city. Call new phone 465-Y.
FOR SALE—SEED OATS AND ONE good Jersey cow; be fresh in 10 days. New phone 690-D. A. Arlingdale.	FOR SALE—SILVER GRAY ENGLISH Dorkings eggs \$2 per 15. Dr. J. F. Gray, Moravia, Iowa.
FOR SALE—BARRED ROCK EGGS from pen headed by 11 lb. cock, bird direct from Bradley, at \$1.50 per fit, direct from Bradley, at \$1.50 per fit. Range flock 50c per sitting. \$3 per 100. Leave order new phone 584-W.	BRADLEY'S PURE BRED R. C. REDS and Penciled Runner ducks have taken firsts wherever shown and are bred to lay, Cockerels, baby chicks, eggs for sale. Send for mating list, Bradley Poultry Farm, Mystic, Ia.
FOR SALE OR TRADE—ONE REGISTERED French draft stallion. Address M-2-D care Courier.	

Public Sale

I will sell at my residence in Leando, on

Wednesday, April 1

Commencing at 10 o'clock a. m., the following property to-wit:

50 HEAD OF HORSES AND MULES 50

—Including 1 span mare mules, 3 years old and good workers; 10 head of yearling mare mules; 1 good saddle horse; 1 span single drivers, lody broke; 1 good pair work mules. The balance are a lot of good work horses and mares.

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One full blood Holstein and 2 full blood Jerseys. All good ones

TWO BROOD SOWS AND ONE SHOAT.

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Three new buggies, wagon, harness, household and kitchen furniture, 20 new buggy tongues, good safe, 2 saddles and other articles.

TERMS—Sums of \$10 and under cash. Sums over \$10 a credit of 3 months will be given, purchaser giving bankable note drawing 6 per cent from date. Two per cent off for cash. No property to be removed until settled for.

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Political Announcement

I hereby announce my candidacy for constable on the republican ticket subject to the voters' decision at the June primary. W. A. Hendricks.

GARDNER NAMES G. A. R. AIDES-DE-CAMP

Des Moines, March 30.—Adjutant General Newman of the Iowa department has received from Walter Gardner, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., an official order designating the aides-

de-camp on the staff of the commander-in-chief from Iowa. They will act when the commander-in-chief visits Iowa on the occasion of the encampment to be held at Burlington June 16, 17 and 18. Mr. Gardner has promised the Iowa veterans that he will attend at least two days. Following is a list of the appointees to the staff: A. G. Beatty, Independence; J. H. Carl, Muscatine; L. B. Cousins, Council Bluffs; C. O. Harrington, Clinton; Albert Head, Jefferson; Jacob A. Hildebrand, Cedar Rapids; E. B. Humbert, Cedar Falls; S. H. Johnson, Keokuk; Henry Karwath, Davenport; Henry C. Murphy, Des Moines; R. H. Spencer, Algona; J. C. Switzer, Iowa City; George Wallace, Creston.