

PASSING OF THE RANGE CAUSE OF THE HIGH PRICES

One Reason That Cost of Beef Is Higher Than Ever—Other Causes of Shortage.

Washington, Nov. 9.—That the beef cattle shortage which now prevails throughout the country has not reached the crisis, and that it will soon take on the proportions of a near-famine unless farmers are educated to breeding and raising cattle more economically and profitably, was the positive assertion today of Doctor George M. Rommel, chief of the animal husbandry division of the United States department of agriculture. And Doctor Rommel is in a position to know, being in immediate charge of Uncle Sam's work in improving the animal industry of the country, especially in breeding and feeding livestock.

"Many reasons have been assigned to the present shortage in beef cattle, which has forced meat prices so high that they are almost prohibitive to the average American," said Dr. Rommel, "but none seems to me to be the surmounting cause except failure of the farmers to produce the cattle at the big markets."

"There are several reasons for this depletion of cattle supply, the first and most deplorable of which is the discovery by the farmer that he finds it much more profitable to raise corn and other grain on his land to sell in the markets, rather than use his acres for pasturage. Others, especially in the corn belt, find it to their benefit after raising corn to ship it to the markets rather than use the product as feed for their own cattle."

Crowding Out Grazing.
"One other reason is that the constant opening up of homesteads in the west with their comparatively small acreages suitable only for truck farming, is slowly but surely crowding out the extensive grazing pastures."

"That an inadequate meat supply exists is not doubted, least of all by the ultimate consumer, but some idea of the extent of the decrease in cattle production can be obtained from a glimpse at official statistics on the subject. Approximately 45,000,000 head of cattle were on the farms in 1910, according to census bureau figures, while the 1912 records show only about 37,000,000. In spite of this decrease and the fact that the industry should naturally have increased on account of the thousands of acres of public lands opened up in the past 10 years, figures show a steady decrease each year while the population of the country increased about 25 per cent in the last decade."

"All of which goes to prove conclusively the urgent need of adoption of different methods by the farmers who would make a success of cattle raising and thus relieve the stringency of the meat supply," said Doctor Rommel. "The department of agriculture realized some time ago that radical steps had to be taken to try to prevent all our farmers abandoning cattle raising for apparently more profitable pursuits. In days gone by, cattle seemed to thrive only when given to large pasture or fed on corn or similar grain. But this practice soon grew to be impracticable on account of the great demand for corn, with the consequent result that farmers sought other investments. Thereupon the bureau of

AFTER THE AGE OF FIFTY

From this age the human system gradually declines and the accumulated poisons in the blood cause rheumatism in joints, muscles and back. These ailments should be promptly relieved and serious illness avoided by using the following prescription which comes from a noted doctor and is said to have no equal in curing rheumatism and restoring physical vigor. Good results come after the first dose. "From your drugist get one ounce of Toris compound (in original sealed package) and one ounce of syrup of Sarsaparilla compound. Take these two ingredients home and put them into a half pint of good whiskey. Shake the bottle and take a tablespoonful before each meal and at bedtime." If your drugist does not have Toris compound in stock he will get it for you in a few hours from his wholesale house. Don't be influenced to take a patent medicine instead of this. Insist on having the genuine Toris compound in the original one ounce sealed, yellow package.

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Animal industry started investigations and experiments in cattle feeding and a large field force of the bureau was concentrated to work in the cattle raising sections. Experts began to look for substitutes for corn which would be less costly and at the same time fattening to the cattle. The south and southwest being the greatest cattle producing sections, work was naturally centered there, and the largest experimental station was organized in Alabama.

Aided by State Officials.
"After years of work in which the federal government was ably assisted by state officials, a report of this station was submitted to the department showing the most gratifying results. Among the facts of importance demonstrated were, first, the outstanding value of a ration of cotton-seed meal and cotton-seed hulls as a beef making ration in that climate, when fed in the winter. Second, the small necessity for shelter for beef cattle, and thirdly, the great importance of the use of pasture for cattle when fed a summer ration of cotton-seed cake."

"The work of these investigations," this report said, "is laying the foundation for rational and profitable beef production under southern conditions and will grow in influence with the advance of the boll weevil and the eradication of the Texas-fever tick. With the extermination of the tick will come a demand for information on how to feed cattle profitably, and that demand can be met very largely by the results of these investigations."

The result of the investigations in the state of Alabama, which is taken as typical of the south, shows that the most profitable substitution for corn was the feeding of a lot of steers on combinations of cotton-seed meal, cotton-seed hulls and cornilage. During a period of 84 days, the steers gained on an average of 1.8 pounds daily at an actual cost of \$8.98 for 100 pounds. Before the experiment started the steers cost \$2.25 per hundredweight, while at the end of the test they were shipped to Louisville and sold for \$5.75 per hundredweight. Each steer netted a clear profit of \$7.58.

The experiment conducted to determine the advantage of shelter for cattle demonstrated that only six cents was saved on each hundred pounds of weight gained.

Another experiment in which steers were fed on pasture and cotton-seed cake weighed about three and one-half pounds, the lot made a daily average gain of 1.57 pounds. The cost to produce 10 pounds gain in weight when given pasture and cotton-seed cake amounted to \$3.33. This experiment showed a clear average profit per steer of \$7.73.

Dentist, Dr. Carpenter, Idaho Bldg. day's news today. tf

TRYING TO FIND TWO MISSING CHILDREN IN SOUTHERN IDAHO

Mayor Arthur Hodges has been asked to assist in locating Lulu and Herbert Anderson, brother and sister, aged about 19 and 17 years, who are supposed to be somewhere in southern Idaho. The Andersons have fell heir to a portion of an estate in Sweden, which cannot be settled up until they are found, and every possible effort is being put forth to locate them. The letter received by Mayor Hodges, regarding the children is as follows:

Victor, Colo., Nov. 5, 1912. The Hon. Mayor, Boise, Idaho.

Dear Sir: I am desirous of ascertaining the present location of two children, Lulu Anderson and Herbert Anderson, sister and brother, aged about 19 and 17 years respectively. About seven years ago they were living with their grandfather, a Mr. Stromberg, who owned and lived on a ranch near Boise.

An uncle, Charles Stromberg, aged about 35 years, held some office in the city government of Boise or some other town in Idaho about seven years ago.

The Strombergs went to Idaho from Trinidad and Starkville, Colo., about 18 years ago, also Charles Anderson, the father of the children, who died there about 13 years ago.

These children must be found in order that an estate in Sweden may be settled up, since they are the heirs to a portion.

Any information you may be able to give will be greatly appreciated. Kindly give me the name of some newspaper that has a wide circulation in the state of Idaho, if you can get no information regarding these children. Thanking you in advance for your trouble, I am

Very truly yours,
CHARLES R. DAVIES,
517 Portland, Ave.

MEETING OF YEOMEN ON MONDAY NIGHT

One of the largest attractions ever held in the state in lodge circles will be held in the Moose hall on Monday evening. Great preparations are being made by the committee in charge to make the meeting one long to be remembered by the Yeomen of Ada county. The object of the meeting is the unveiling of the charter of Unity Homestead No. 3823, which was recently organized by State Manager A. J. Le Huquet and is already one of the largest Yeomen homesteads in the state.

One of the supreme officers of Des Moines, Iowa, C. E. Stallock, grand master of ceremonies, will give an address which will be appreciated by all who are fortunate enough to get in and hear him. The meeting will be public to all Yeomen and their friends are invited, ending with dancing and refreshments.

WOMAN'S DEATH TO BE INVESTIGATED



Mrs. Jean Wiscell McComas and William Pratt McComas.
A thorough investigation of the death last week in San Francisco of Mrs. Jean McComas, the beautiful young wife of William Pratt McComas, a wealthy mining engineer, has been instituted by the coroner of that city. Mrs. McComas was found dying in her apartments from a bullet wound in her head. Her husband was at first arrested on suspicion, but has been released. He declares it was a case of suicide.

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And Cures Any Cough That Is Curable—Waters Doctor's Formula.
"From your drugist get two ounces of Glycerine and half an ounce of Globe Pine Compound (Concentrated Pine). Take these two ingredients home and put them into a half pint of good whiskey. Take one to two teaspoonfuls after each meal and at bedtime. Small children should be given according to age. This is the best formula known to science. There are many cheaper preparations of large quantity, but it don't pay to experiment with a bad cold. Be sure to get only the genuine Globe Pine Compound (Concentrated Pine). Each half ounce bottle comes in a sealed tin screw-top case. If your drugist does not have it in stock he will get it quickly from his wholesale house. This has been published here every winter for six years and thousands of families know its value."

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BIG TRANSCRIPT OF TESTIMONY GOES TO THE SUPREME COURT

Fifty reams of paper, making 5000 pages of transcript will go from the district court of Ada county to the supreme court of the state in the case of E. C. S. Brainard against the Mountain States Telegraph and Telephone company.

This is said to be the largest transcript that has ever been sent from either of the district courts of this county to the state's highest tribunal. The testimony in the suit occupied a full month and will take several thousand pages of the transcript. The decision of the court, together with the other papers and records of the litigation, will all be sent to the supreme court for final determination.

The action was brought by the minority stockholders of the Independent Long Distance Telephone company against the Bell system and is said to involve a quarter of a million dollars.

FRED RHODES FOUND NOT GUILTY BY JURY

Fred Rhodes was acquitted of the charge of perjury by a jury in the district court yesterday afternoon. It was not long after the case had been turned over to the jury before the verdict was reached and reported to Judge McCarthy.

The case is one brought by the Ada county grand jury in its first batch of indictments during its session. Rhodes was charged with committing perjury when he testified that he did not drink nor pay for any drinks in the road house of Bert Brenner on the night of Sept. 25 when the place was raided by the sheriff.

The grand jury believed that he did buy drinks in that place and returned an indictment charging perjury within a few hours after he had testified before it. The facts involved in the case against Bert Brenner, charged by the same grand jury with selling liquor illicitly and with maintaining a public nuisance, were involved in this case to a certain extent.

Her Explanations.
"Mammy, dear," said little Matty. "What is a stepmother?"
"Why, Matty," replied his mother, "were I to die and your dad should marry again, the lady would be a stepmother."
"Oh, I see," remarked Matty; "you'd step out and she'd step in."
"That's it."

Hard Luck.
Mrs. Tinkle—They say that Mrs. Neurich is becoming more popular every day.
Mrs. Dimple—Yes, indeed; you should have seen how mortified she was a while ago when she learned that her husband owned common stock in a railroad.

Unused.
"Sir, I have all the gems of English literature in my library."
"Yes, and I notice they are uncut gems."

Campbell's Fruit House

"This Little Pig Went to Market"—

We have his hams boiled, his sides smoked, his feet pickled and his excess fat canned.

He made some of the finest sausage you ever tasted. He was sweet, plump and tender.

You will recognize him by his superior quality. Try him.

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Special Announcement

WE WISH to announce to the public that we have moved to our new home in the Booth building, 810-12 Bannock street, where we will be open for business, Monday, November 11th.

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