

Beef is Best Bargain, Declares Prof. Gramlich

Choice Grade Animals Are Now Being Marketed at a Loss, Making Meat Cheap.

"With finished cattle now selling at a terrific loss, the consuming public has failed to realize the reduction in prices and the improved amount of choice cornfed beef on the market," says Prof. H. J. Gramlich.

"The daily market report for May 28 quotes the bulk of fat steers at \$6.75 to \$7.75 per hundred. A year ago the same class of cattle were bringing \$13 to \$16. There is an abundance of this choice beef on the market. Many people who greatly curtailed their beef consumption last year do not realize the tremendous reduction in price, and especially the big improvement in quality which has taken place in the 12 months.

"A year ago there was an acute shortage of cornfed cattle. The 1934 drought left the entire middle west with empty corn cribs. What little corn was available in the few surplus areas sold at a prohibitive price, and consequently cattle fattening operations were virtually at a standstill. This resulted in the abnormally high price of April and May, 1935.

The relatively large national crop of corn was produced in 1935. A considerable quantity of this failed to mature, and had its greatest value as livestock feed. Farmers generally had very few hogs to which to feed this corn. Furthermore, it was impossible to purchase hogs in large numbers.

"Accordingly they turned to cattle in the fall of 1935 and procured feeder animals to fatten during the winter. These cattle were well cared for and are now going to market in large numbers. A surprisingly large percentage is producing choice carcasses. For the week ending May 16, of all steers marketed at Chicago, 28 1/2 percent grade 'choice and price.' In contrast only 6.2 percent were good enough to grade in such classifications during the same week in 1935.

"Corned beef is the favorite meat of the American citizen. The product is tender, juicy, palatable and highly nutritious. Cattle of the United States are of a relatively high quality and when finished upon corn, produce all that can be desired in a high class meat dish. We have built a reputation for our fine steaks and roasts.

"Corn belt feeders are now suffering large losses on their winter cattle feeding operations. In many cases steers are selling for less per pound than the original purchase price last fall. It is to be hoped that when the citizens of the nation learn of the splendid quality of beef which is now available, and of the relatively low price at which it can be procured, they will acquire a renewed interest in it, and thus help one of the nation's greatest basic industries."

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I'm getting fed up with your nonsense And coming here time and again. To slip through the knotholes of Justice When you rightly should be in the pen.

"So I'll put your case up to a jury— A hardboiled bunch of your peers— Who'll send you right up to the big house In spite of your crocodile tears.

"Judge, I've always abode by your 'cisions. An' I feel 'at you done been my friend— You've always before done me justice An' I crave 'at YOU'LL try me again."

Farm Women are Moving Toward a Better Living

Modern Equipment, Federal Programs and Family Co-operation Are Factors.

Washington. — American farm women are moving toward the more abundant life with the aid of organization and the government's "friendly help," according to Mrs. J. V. Stevenson, president of the Illinois home bureau federation and an official delegation to the convention of Associated Country Women of the World.

Mrs. Stephenson, who lives at Streator, Ill., and is one of the mid-west farm women on the tour sponsored by a farm paper, praised the administration's efforts to help the farmer as being "on the right track."

She said not only was the AAA and soil conservation program helping with its benefit payments, but the program for rural electrification was approved enthusiastically by farm women.

Mrs. R. E. Milligan, Ivesdale, Ill., president of the Champaign county home bureau, agreed that electrification was the "biggest labor saver" which the farm wives had today.

Mrs. Stephenson explained that the new defunct AAA had given farm families a new incentive which was much needed.

Families Co-operate. She was enthusiastic about the co-operative efforts both men and women on the farms are making for their own advancement. She pointed out that farm women are closer to their men than is the case with many city folk.

To illustrate this point, Mrs. E. W. Busche, Monroe, Ind., a master farm homemaker who was another member of the tour, said she had hesitated about coming to the Washington convention because of her house cleaning, but her husband and son had insisted.

"I believe that it is significant of the change that has come over the farm home that I was able to get away for a week," Mrs. Busche explained. "With our modern improvements, it is possible to go out for a few days, just the same as the city housewife does. This has been one of the great changes for the better than has taken place on the farms during the past few years."

Mrs. Stephenson pointed out that despite these changes farm women often work long hours but added with a smile that they do not object—"If we don't have to worry about finances." She said that the "drouth insurance" features of the AAA had done a great deal to help solve the financial difficulties which hit the midwest farmers when the 1934 drouth swept over a wide area which had not suffered previously.

RAIL LABOR HITS STATE'S RIGHTS CRY

Washington, June 12.—Labor was warned Friday by six railroad labor unions to beware of the cry of "states' rights."

"American workers should not be deceived by this gesture," the six organizations said in their weekly "Labor." "It comes from the men who applauded the supreme court when it slaughtered railroad pensions, farm relief, the National Recovery Act and similar progressive legislation which gave American producers something of a square deal.

Plant Trees Around Rural School Houses

One of Means to Be Used in WPA Forestry Projects in Nebraska Outlined.

A model plan for planting trees around rural school houses to serve the joint purpose of showing trees can be grown and to teach future farmers to plant them was outlined today by M. B. Jenkins, director of a WPA forestry research project.

Jenkins' plan calls for the planting of approximately 700 trees and shrubs on a three acre plot around each of Nebraska's 6,133 country school houses, 99 per cent of which are unprotected now. Most rural school grounds comprise one acre now and an additional two acres will be required to carry out Jenkins' plan.

"I will require an investment of approximately \$100,000," Jenkins said, "and the return will be many, many times that amount."

"This will be the basis for bringing up a generation that can fight the perplexing soil erosion and moisture control problems that are going to face the next generation. At the present time we spend hundreds of thousands of dollars annually trying to teach farmers to plant trees. You can't interest people in something they know nothing about. If our young people—the future farmers—were taught about trees while they are in school during their formative years, we'd have no trouble getting them to plant trees and help save Nebraska's soil."

Jenkins said trees give a protection zone from 20 to 25 times as long as their height, explaining that a strip of trees 60 feet high protects the soil for 80 rods.

"At the present time," he said, "Nebraska loses some one-third of its soil moisture because of wind erosion. The planting of trees would halt this and if we could add 1-3 annually to our rainfall we could raise crops any year."

Not only would the proposed planting halt wind erosion and protect the school children's playgrounds, but it would also attract song and game birds and make the strips a habitat for wild life, Jenkins said. His plans call for planting shrubs that bear fruit that would serve as food for the birds.

Because Nebraska has approximately 100 different types of soil and its rainfall varies from 10 to 34 inches annually, Jenkins has divided the state into five different zones and drawn a different planting plan for each zone.

Trees and shrubs that have been grown in Nebraska are designated for planting under his plan. He will furnish each school district with a list of trees as well as the plan for planting.

Charles W. Taylor, state superintendent of public instruction, says Jenkins' plan is an excellent one and endorses it heartily.

The forester also has drawn up a proposed course of study in connection with the tree plantings and says he thinks every Nebraska school child should be taught a few simple facts about trees. This course of study has been submitted to the state superintendent's office for possible inclusion in the curricula of rural schools.

"I would require that each eighth grade graduate be able to identify 15 native trees and 15 native shrubs by their common names," Jenkins said. "I think that's as important as being able to conjugate a Latin verb."

HERE FROM WYOMING

Mr. and Mrs. Edward McMaken of Sheridan, Wyoming, are in the city for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McMaken, the former a brother of Mr. McMaken. They have had the pleasure of meeting a great many of the old time friends in the community. Mr. McMaken has made his home in the west for a great many years and feels that the climate there is just what is needed, but has appreciated the nice cool weather of the past several days here.

Farm Loans

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MURDOCK ITEMS

G. V. Pickwell is enjoying a visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Shackley, of Avoca.

Herbert Bornemeier, who suffered a broken arm while playing recently, is getting along very nicely at this time.

Dr. L. D. Lee and family and Mr. and Mrs. William Zaebel were in Weeping Water last Wednesday evening, where they attended a show.

Walter Stroy has accepted a position with one of the track crews of the Rock Island working out of Murdock at the present time.

L. Neitzel was at Plattsmouth yesterday for a visit with his friends at the Masonic Home, where he conducted Bible school study.

The little babe of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stroy, who has been so seriously ill for some time, is now reported showing good improvement.

Otto Buck and family, who are located at Beatrice, were visiting over the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Buck, of Murdock.

Mrs. Nannie Coleman and son Frank, with the latter's two sons, were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Buck last Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Schleiter has not been feeling the best during the past week, being confined to her bed for a number of days, but is now somewhat improved.

Milton G. Keedy and wife, of Beatrice, visited over Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Ward. Mrs. Keedy and Mr. Ward are brother and sister.

S. P. Lies and H. H. Lawton were in Omaha last Monday, attending the races in the afternoon and the Ak-Sar-Ben den show in the evening, enjoying a most pleasant time.

A. P. Hollenbeck and wife, of Lincoln, were in Murdock last Wednesday and were looking after some business matters while here, they representing a monument company of that place.

Mr. and Mrs. John Scheel have been having their home redecorated on the inside as well as some work done on the outside. The work is being done by Homer H. Lawton, the painter and decorator.

Mrs. L. D. Lee was in Lincoln one day last week, where she presided at a tea given in honor of a friend who is to be married in the near future. The guest of honor was showered with many useful gifts.

Mrs. L. D. Lee was in Omaha last Sunday where she was a guest of two of her fellow teachers, Misses Brackeen and Yates, with whom she was associated when she was a teacher in the Omaha schools a number of years ago.

Charles Marshall, who has been visiting here for the past week at the home of Henry Oehlerking, has returned to his home in the west and was accompanied by Miss V. Rose-nov, who will visit with friends at Grant for a few days.

The Journal man called on Uncle Fred Stock last Wednesday, and found him considerably improved in health and glad to have his old time friends pay him a visit. He is now so that he can get about some, but not as yet able to do any work.

Mrs. Charles Kupke was feeling so poorly the fore part of last week, she and her husband had to postpone a planned trip to Omaha for a visit with their daughter and family. She was considerably better the latter part of the week, however.

Douglas Tool departed last week for Lincoln, where he is attending summer school. He has been attending school there during the past two years. Douglas is an energetic student, doing thoroughly whatever he attempts and the days he will put in at summer school at the university will be filled with hard work.

All evidence of the wreck which occurred on the Rock Island some ten days ago has been cleared up. The goods in the wrecked cars were disposed of, the lumber being hauled to Murdock and reloaded, while the car of eggs and another of oranges were righted and placed back on the track to continue their journey.

Rev. Harvey A. Schwab and Earl Weber were at Milford last Monday, where they attended a meeting of the Youth Council which was considering a plan for the placing of a gate at the entranceway to Riverside park, a pleasure resort and meeting place for the various organizations of the young people of the church.

Uncle Fred Deickman was a visitor in Weeping Water Wednesday of last week, going over to look after some business and also calling on his many friends there. He made the trip in his car. Mr. Deickman has just returned from a visit with his daughter, Mrs. Henry Rueter and family, who make their home at Grand Junction, Iowa.

Spent Day in Omaha

L. Neitzel and G. Baur visited in Omaha Sunday, June 7. Mr. Bauer teaching a Bible class in the First Evangelical church and Mr. Neitzel worshipping at the Kountze Memorial Lutheran church at the regular morning services. In the afternoon they visited with their daughters, Mr. Bauer with Mrs. Ruman and L. Neitzel with Mrs. Meta MacDiarmid.

Coming home, they stopped with Dan Panska, where they enjoyed a splendid supper and then stayed for the Children's day program, which was well rendered and a fine offering of \$36.00 for general missions was the result. Thus ended a very profitable Sunday.

Hold Family Reunion

The McCrorey family reunion was held last Sunday, June 7, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Buell. Mrs. Buell was formerly Miss McCrorey. There were a good number of the members of the family present and a very fine day was spent by the members with a very pleasing program and a fine dinner which was enjoyed by the many members of the family who were gathered there. The place for the holding of the meeting the coming year was not definitely decided upon.

Getting On Fairly Well

Uncle George Mills, who with his sister-in-law was injured so severely when a car struck their own and injured both seriously, are both getting on fairly well although still suffering from the effects of the accident. Mr. Mills is able to walk about the home but is somewhat nervous and stiff as yet, but is doing nicely considering his age. The sister-in-law, who is still at the home of Ed Jumper, of Ashland, is expecting to return to the Mills home in the near future.

Will Attend Stock Meeting

The Boys' 4-H calf club of Murdock and vicinity, which is under the care of Leo Rikkl, was in Lincoln for a meeting of 4-H club members, where they received many pointers on the care of their calves. John Schlapf, who looks after the interests of a boys' club over near Wash, was also attending the meeting at Lincoln.

Have Two Fine Calves

James Mills, Jr., son of James Mills, has a very fine white face calf just now coming one year old which he calls "Chub," and his brother, George Stuart Mills has another one that is almost an exact mate of the one his brother owns, which he calls "Curley." The boys are grooming the calves for exhibition at the state fair. They are both as tame as kittens and with proper care should be in the winning classification at the fair.

Makes Safe Trip Home

Mrs. Carrie Gorthey, who has been here for the past year visiting with her son, Roy Gorthey and wife, departed last week for the east, going to Trenton, N. J., where she will make her home with a daughter. Upon her arrival there, she wrote to the son and family here, telling of a very pleasant trip home and saying she is in good health and feeling fine.

Many Attend Reunion at Lincoln

A number of the members of the Oehlerking, Rueter and Bornemeier families were in attendance at the reunion which was held at Pioneer park Sunday, June 7th, among those from this vicinity being August Oehlerking and family, Henry Oehlerking and family, Floyd Williams and wife, Alvin Oehlerking and family and Herbert Oehlerking and family.

At the Murdock Church

A fine Children's Day program was rendered at the Murdock Evangelical church last Sunday evening, consisting of music and readings, together with a playlet entitled "Youth's Consecration," which was under the direction of Mrs. William Leslie.

A generous offering was received for advancing the cause of home missions, causing the children of the Bible school to feel they had contributed to this good cause by putting in the program, which required a lot of practice and hard work on their part and on the part of the director.

Celebrated Children's Day

Children's Day was celebrated at the church northeast of Murdock on Sunday, June 7, by a very appropriate and pleasing program, which was in charge of the Ladies Aid and the Bible school. One of the highlights on the program was the playlet entitled "Man and His Money." There were also a number of recitations, musical numbers and readings. The response to the free-will offer-

ing to be used for home missions was very pleasing, almost \$40 being collected.

Presentation of the program was under the direction of Mrs. Harold Luetchens

Plan for 1936 Work

The worship committee of the E. L. C. E. of the Murdock Evangelical church was meeting last Monday to arrange a tentative program for the meetings of the society during the coming six months of the year and have planned a very pleasing program for the remainder of the year.

Taking Annual Vacation

Lacey McDonald, the regular carrier of the rural mail route out of Murdock, is now taking his annual vacation and the work is being done by Frank Rosenow, substitute carrier. To start out his vacation in approved manner, Mr. McDonald and A. J. Tool, with some of the young men about town, were investigating the fishing chances at South Bend, Meadow, Louisville and Cedar Creek, to ascertain the best places, as they expect to again visit the fishing grounds.

Will Install City Water

Henry Amgwert has been getting ready for the completion of the Murdock waterworks system by having a septic tank installed and a bath room and other plumbing added to his home, which will increase the value of the property. Victor Thim-gan is doing the work of installation of the new equipment.

Kittenball Results Tuesday

The result of last Tuesday night's kittenball games was: South Bend, 6, to Callahan, 4; Murdock Tigers, 9, to Bible School, 4.

Home from the Navy

Turner O. Zink, who has been in the United States navy for the past four years, completing his term of enlistment just recently, arrived at home last Tuesday and will spend some time visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar C. Zink, as well as old friends here and elsewhere.

Mr. Zink has been engaged as a diesel engineer during the latter part of his term of enlistment and is an expert at this line of work. He has been asked to re-enlist for another four year term, continuing the same line of work, but has not as yet made up his mind whether to accept. He has been with the U. S. S. S-11, one of Uncle Sam's newer submarines, serving in the Panama canal zone, with headquarters at Coca Sola.

After a rest and the enjoyment of a home visit, he will decide as to whether or not to re-enlist.

He has had a wide and varied experience during his four years as a sailor and has greatly improved his knowledge and ability to do things as a result of the trades schooling that is received in this branch of the government service.

Callahan Church Notes

F. C. Weber, Pastor Our work for the new conference year has gotten a fine start. Our people have a mind to work. Many fine things were said about the service Sunday. Every Christian is a witness for the Lord Jesus Christ. There are many folks who are depending upon you as a witness. Is your testimony a clear-ringing, victorious work of certainty? Should it be less than that?

The Clements company of Elmwood presented our church with a beautiful picture of the Lord's Supper. We are very grateful to them for this fine gift.

"Bedroom Beauties"

The Girls' Room club of Murdock met at the home of Eunice Kuehn on Thursday, June 11. Nine members were present. The assistant leader took charge since our leader, Marjorie Zink, is in the hospital.

The members voted to attend club judging day in Lincoln June 12. They also voted on shows and "Road Gang" the Orpheum was chosen. While in Lincoln for this event, the members presented Marjorie Zink a bouquet of flowers and offered their best wishes for her recovery.

Two team demonstrations will be given at the next meeting. Cushions will be judged and all members must have their certain materials.

At the close of the meeting, delicious refreshments were served by Eunice Kuehn.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Idella Buell on Thursday, June 25.—Marion Barden, News Reporter.

"Happy Birthday to You"

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Recent Rainfall Eases Situation in Some Regions

But Grasshopper Infestation is Increasing in Others, Supply of Poison Bran Limited.

Thirty Nebraska counties now have reported grasshopper infestations serious enough to require control measures, and several other counties have lighter numbers of the hoppers, O. S. Bare, extension entomologist at the college of agriculture, said in a progress report on the 1936 hopper situation.

"Infestations appearing a week or more ago have been increasing," Bare declared. "Recent rains, the should ease the situation in a few counties, but unless plenty of moisture is received soon, heavier damage from hoppers is to be expected."

Active control work is now being carried on in Richardson, Johnson, Nemaha, Jefferson, Thayer, Polk, Stanton, Pierce, and Cedar counties thru the direction of county agricultural agents. Poisoning is also being done in about six western counties.

Entomologist Bare, before leaving for the western panhandle, was making efforts to secure bait for other counties but federal supplies left over from other years are very limited. The total supply available at the beginning of 1936 was about 260 tons or considerably less than was sent to Knox county alone in 1934.

Farmers in several counties where federal bait is not available are mixing their own hopper poison, rather than taking chances of locating some of the bran. Bare complimented these farmers and urged other farmers to do likewise. The cost is only about 25 cents per acre for land actually treated. Delay of a few days may result in hoppers destroying crops far more valuable than the meager cost of poison.

but when the little stranger arrived it was another "ray of sunshine" from the glory world and was gladly accepted and enrolled on the family register as a gift from God. (Ps. 127: 3; Gen. 33:5; I Sam. 1:27). At the proper time she was named "Lydia" after her great name-sake from Philippi, province of Macedonia, in Greece, the first convert of Paul in Europe. She grew up in that happy family circle with five other sisters and a brother, which had as its motto over the entrance, and which used to be seen in every Christian home: "God Bless Our Home."

She never gave her parents any anxious moments. They always knew where to find her and when the hour for retirement came, she was there to take her place in the family worship. So the years went by until she was about 19 years old, when a youth who had come all the way from Germany crossed her path and changed her life. Now her love, loyalty and devotion became divided, but not less ardent.

When the great moment in her life came to decide whether to remain with the family or follow her "lover," like Rebekah of old (Gen. 24:58), she was ready with the answer, "I will go."

Nearly 58 years they traveled together, enjoying sweet fellowship with Jesus Christ as the third party in a happy union that was terminated March 29, 1936. Now she is home with God, awaiting the coming of her "lover" whom she often welcomed in the happy days of their courtship. Yesterday afternoon, he went to Wyuka (Place of Rest) and covered her resting place with flowers, which she loved, in memory of her birthday and sent the hearty greeting, "Happy birthday to you!"

HONOR CANON PETER

Dr. and Mrs. H. G. McClusky entertained on Friday at their home in honor of Canon W. J. H. Petter, rector of the St. Luke's Episcopal church. Dr. McClusky is the dean of the ministry of the city and has been very close friends with Canon Petter who is soon to leave the city. The event was in the nature of a luncheon and at which there were present Rev. V. C. Wright and Rev. G. A. Pahl, as well as Canon Petter.