

Cattle Market Off Before Holiday

As expected, hog receipts were in the neighborhood of one thousand head at the Thursday, December 21, sale at the O'Neill Livestock Market. Butchers, 200- to 240 - pounders, hit a top of \$19.15; 240- to 270 - pounders, \$18.75 to \$19.00; butchers weighing 270 pounds and over, were down from \$18.75.

Light sows sold from \$18.00 to \$18.25, and the heavier sows, over 350 pounds, moved at \$16.25, quoted down from \$18.75.

There were about 200 feeder pigs on the market and these sold by the dollar, so it was difficult to quote a price.

The cattle market was off somewhat from the week before, attributed to the approaching holiday season. About 450 head of cattle were marketed.

Good kind of steer calves hit a top of \$34.00; good heifer calves ranged from \$31.00 up to \$32.50; yearling steers, \$29.00 to \$31.00; yearling heifers, \$25.00 to \$27.50.

Cutter and canner cows were quoted \$16.00 to \$18.00; fat cows, \$20.50.

The 12 head of registered Herefords, not of the very best quality but all of Wyoming Hereford ranch breeding, averaged \$481. These were registered Hereford bulls shipped in by an Iowa consignor.

Washington-Merry-Go-Round—

There's Certain Vein of Similarity About President Truman and Prime Minister Atlee

Churchill Supports Atlee—

There is a certain vein of similarity running through the lives of the two men who conferred regarding the course to be followed by the British and American governments toward future war or peace.

Prime Minister Atlee and President Truman both are left-of-center liberals, both have spent much of their lives in government, both have tried to work for the less-privileged sector of the British and American people.

Neither is considered a strong man in his own country, neither is a man of much imagination, neither has the force, the flair, the genius of two others who conferred a great deal during the past decade—Franklin Roosevelt and Winston Churchill.

However, Clement Atlee, in his quiet way and backed by a powerful labor party, has put across a schedule of socialist legislation which staid old Britons never dreamed could happen.

And while these reforms were passed in the face of vigorous conservative opposition, nevertheless, Atlee today has one important advantage over President Truman. He has the support of his opponent, Winston Churchill, when it comes to foreign policy.

Churchill Advised Trip—

Furthermore, he has the support of most of the Conservative party. On the other hand, Truman of late has had the bitter, sometimes vitriolic opposition of a majority of Republican senators in regard to almost every foreign-policy move he has made.

Atlee not only was careful to get Churchill's support before he left London, but Churchill even advised him on how to force Truman's hand regarding the trip.

What happened was that immediately after the Prime Minister heard of Truman's atom bomb statement, he called on Churchill. Though political opponents, the two served in the same coalition war cabinet together and are personal friends. At one time Atlee was Churchill's deputy prime minister, and handled British domestic affairs while Churchill was busy with the war.

With this background of friendship, it is not hard to understand why Atlee should have consulted Churchill or that Churchill advised him that he should take the trip to Washington. Furthermore, Churchill suggested that inasmuch as Truman might be opposed to the trip, Atlee should make a premature announcement of his plan—thus making it impossible for Truman to decline. This was why news of

Repairs Own Pipes—

Atlee is married to Violet Helen Millar, and for many years they lived with their four children in a modest house in a London suburb where Atlee did a little gardening and repaired his own pipes in his own carpenter's shop.

Unlike Truman, Atlee is a halting, none-too-foreful speaker. When he speaks impromptu, he hesitates and repeats. The President, on the other hand, is at his best when speaking off the cuff. In conferences, Atlee tries to win his point by charm and persuasion. The President sometimes gets impatient and petulant.

When Foreign Minister Molotov visited Truman a few days after Roosevelt's death while enroute to the San Francisco, Calif., conference, the new President spent 45 minutes bawling him out. There have been many occasions when Molotov deserved such a scolding.

In Europe, Atlee and his government are considered among the most vigorous of all opponents to communism, and it is sometimes predicted that, in case the Russians overrun Europe, the Atlee cabinet would be the first to suffer.

Unlike Mr. Truman, who frequently lapses into Missouri mule-driver's language, Atlee's diction is cultured, sometimes poetic.

In fact, he has written some widely quoted poems, one of them regarding his own workmen's district, which reads: "I hear the feet of many men who go their way . . . Through streets that have no pity, and streets where men decay."

and Robert left Tuesday. John Brennan, of Pickstown, S. D., were home to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. M. Brennan. His sister, Miss Mary Divine returned to Lincoln after spending the holidays here.

Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brady, jr., and family went to Lynch to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bare. Christmas day Mr. Brady and Kathleen visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Brady, sr. Mrs. Brady had to stay with her other little daughter who was ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Bohn had their children as guests for Christmas. Miss Rosaline came from Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. James Hart from Scottsbluff and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brewster from Winner, S. D.

Callers Saturday at the home of Mrs. Carrie Borg were Mrs. Paul Nelson, Naomi and Paul Arden. Dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hubby.

Guests at the H. J. Birmingham home were their daughter, Miss Mary Louise, Mrs. Edward Latta and daughter, Miss Libby, all of Omaha. They returned on Monday evening.

Spending Christmas in Butte at the John Tiefenthaler home were their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh O. Benson, and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Porterfield, of Wayne, arrived Sunday to spend Christmas and a few days with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bartley Brennan, and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Klingler and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Klingler visited Sunday, December 24, with Mr. and Mrs. John Zinky, of Atkinson. Mrs. Frank Pruss was also a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Chambers and sons and Miss Wilma Haack drove to Livermore, Ia., to spend Christmas.

Henry Murray went to Sioux City to spend Christmas with his daughter, Mrs. Elaine Ballew, and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gardner and children visited in Randolph on Sunday, December 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Klingler entertained at dinner on Christmas for all members of the Klingler family.

Mrs. Izzetta Woods and son, Richard, of Excelsior Springs, Mo., arrived Saturday, December 23, to visit her niece, Mrs. Ed Dumpert, and Mrs. Clarence Sausser, and families. She will also visit relatives in Atkinson.

Christmas dinner guests at the Herman Janzing home were their children, Bernard Janzing and

Mr. and Mrs. John Janzing of Atkinson.

Miss Ella Rita Schmidt, of Omaha, arrived to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Schmidt.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bourne and children and Mrs. Mildred Wyant spent Christmas in Valentine with Mr. and Mrs. Don Asher and daughter.

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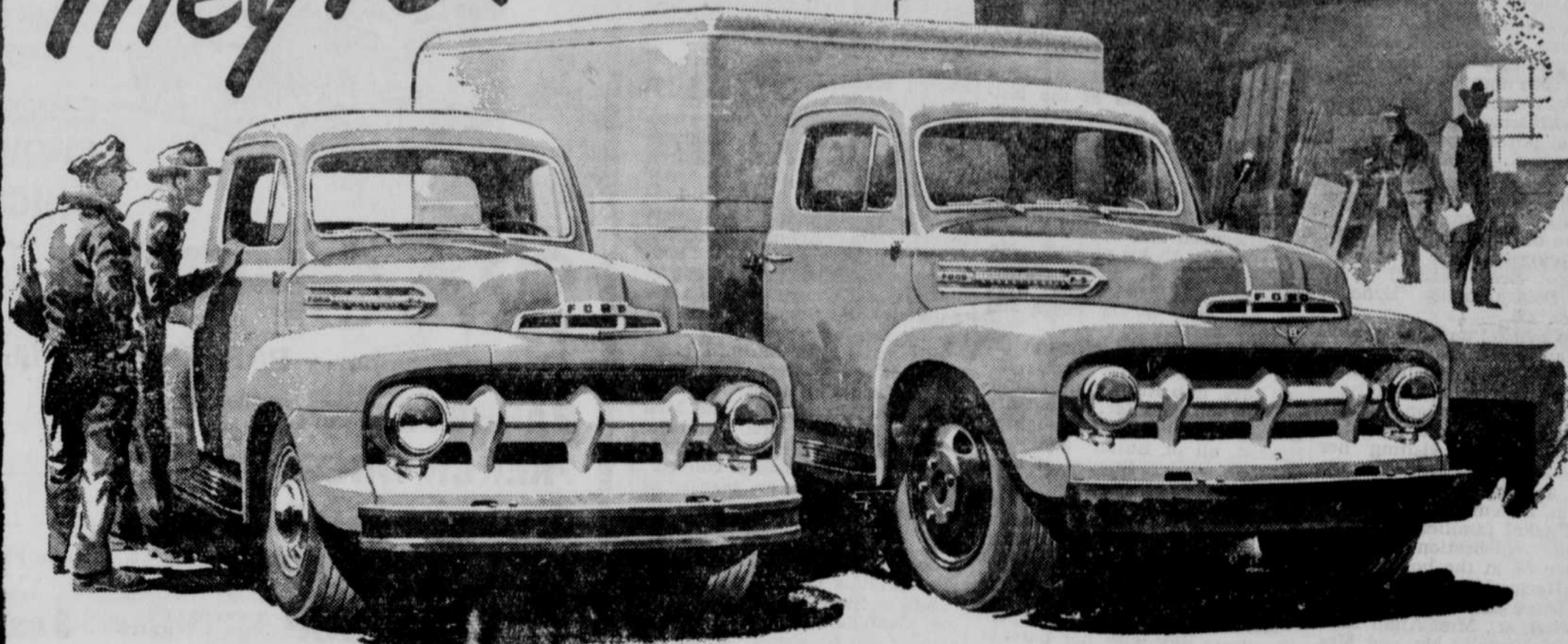
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