

EXPERIMENTS IN BREEDING HORSES FOR U. S. CAVALRY

Two Well Known Stallions, Henry of Navarre and Octagon, Placed at Command of Farmers in Vicinity of Front Royal, Virginia—Colts Bring \$150 When Three Years Old.



United States Cavalry Horse.

The public generally knows that the government has outlined a plan to encourage the breeding of horses for the army whereby more owners in suitable sections will have the command of service to first-class stallions free, in return for which they agree to give the United States options on resulting foals at a fair price. The plan was taken up as a means to provide a good supply of horses such as the army needs, which, strange as it may seem, is rapidly becoming more and more limited. An appropriation was suggested at the last session of congress, but no action was taken, one objection being that the plan was not practical—that farmers would not enter into such agreements with the government.

Fortunately, funds were available to make an experiment to determine this point. Mr. August Belmont, of New York, presented to the government two of his best-known stallions, Henry of Navarre and Octagon, and the Department of Agriculture placed them at the command of farmers in the vicinity of Front Royal, Virginia, on exactly the terms outlined in the government plan.

By the approval of the war department, the price to be paid for the resulting foals at three years of age was \$150, and no difficulty whatever was experienced in getting farmers to breed their mares under these terms. About 50 mares were bred, the stallions reaching Virginia somewhat late in the season and Octagon's usefulness being curtailed by a severe attack of distemper.

The interest of the Virginia farmers is keen, and already fifty additional mares have been offered for the season of 1912, and the services of more stallions could easily be utilized.

Circular 178 of the Bureau of Animal Industry explains the department's breeding plan and may be obtained on application to the secretary of agriculture, Washington, D. C.

RANGE LAMBS RETURN PROFITS

Feeder Not Only Makes Money on Feed, but Secures Large Benefit From Manure Dropped.

(By W. M. KELLEY.)
The great advantage of feeding lambs is the fact that the home-grown forage and fodders together with the otherwise waste products of the farm may be turned to profit. This may be done with a minimum expense for the purchase of highly concentrated by-product foods and mill-feeds that are required to make a satisfactory fattening ration for other kinds of stock.

Feeding range lambs like other branches of sheep feeding is sure to become more popular as farmers appreciate the necessity of cutting out the purchase of large amounts of grain food and feeding a class of live stock that are capable of turning their grain food and forage that is grown on their own farms to a profit. Practically every line of feeding that is conducted outside of the corn belt states has been developed upon a basis of cheap grain foods and now that every kind of grain foods have reached a price that makes their use almost out of the question, the average feeder is finding his profits growing smaller.

The men who have been feeding sheep have not felt the rise in grain prices as severely as other feeders because sheep can be put in good condition with a smaller quantity of grain and concentrates. In feeding range lambs the feeder not only makes a profit on the original cost of the lambs, but as well on the cost of the feed which is grown on their farms, and in addition there is a large return of fertility to the soil, when the manure is carefully handled.

In England this branch of feeding has been conducted for many years and it has been found a very profitable way to increase the fertility of the soil as well as a profitable way to utilize grain, grass and root crops. Many of the English feeders buy our corn, timothy and even hay and derive a substantial profit from their feeding. It is not fully practical and possible for the farmers of this country to conduct the same line of feeding when they have every requirement for a hen must have a sufficient number of days to molt, and the calendar gives us but 355 days in the year.

EGGS PRODUCED BY HEN IN YEAR

About Five Dozen Per Fowl Is Fair Estimate, Counting Good, Bad and Indifferent.

According to statistics the average number of eggs laid by each hen in this country falls up about five dozen. This is counting the good, bad and indifferent. But if the statistics were taken from poultry farms reports exclusively, the average would be ten dozen. The average farmer is careless with his fowls, and does not, as a rule, gather all the eggs the hens lay for the reason that in their free range they have hidden nests and the eggs in consequence are often lost. With the improved methods of breeding, the average with the poultry men will in a few years run as high as 150 eggs per hen per annum. Individual records have been reported that are fast scoring up to the 200 mark, but it is very doubtful if they will ever get near it.

There is money to be made by feeding range lambs if a man understands the fundamental principles of the business and grows a wide variety of forage, fodders and grain crops.

A three-cushion carrom is as easy to him as a pick-up. He was born in Los Angeles 28 years ago and began playing three-ole-cat 25 years ago come spring, and could look an umpire in the eye and tell him to go to (as the clever and lamented Shakespeare would mildly put it) before he could pronounce Popocatepetl.

At 14 he played second base for the home town team and when he had multiplied it by two he was the youngest and best looking manager between the Pacific seaboard and Matly's checkerboard. He has such good shoulders and leaps so gracefully that he has to have a penknife operated by foot power to open his mashing notes. His wife stamps the date on the back while Hal, Jr., picks up the ravellings.

He went one year to college, making a major of second base, a minor of handball and a bluff at calculus. The faculty couldn't see him with a microscope and full lights on, sighting with relief when he climbed in the chair car homeward bound; but ever since he made good they have been so kicking mad that they have been going about with their ankles strapped together to keep from punishing themselves.

His hobbies are hunting and horseback riding. When he gets out of his baseball togs his favorite outdoor diversion is keeping his heels in, his elbows stiff and his thumbs pointing up. He can give a riding master on the lag, nine buttons, and pound on the floor for the culled man in the white coat before the riding master gets his horse reined up.

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more than \$100,000 last year. Reiff has been riding in France for many years and is one of the most popular American jockeys abroad.
Winkfield, a negro rider, who won so many races for Edward Corrigan in the west, is one of the popular riders on the German turf. Archibald, who is now riding in India, is under contract to ride for Baron Oppenheim this season. He won the Kentucky Derby last year. Eddie Dugan will ride in Austria.
"Skeets" Martin will ride Harry Payne Whitney's racers in England. He had fair success last season with them. Danny Maher, who just failed to win 100 races last season, will again be under contract to the Baron of Rothschild.

Will Send Team to England.
The Philadelphia Cricket club intends to send an eleven to England this summer, sailing July 26, and returning in September.

Watkins to Retire.
W. H. Watkins, owner of the Indianapolis club, has announced his retirement from baseball.
It is learned on the best of authority that Mr. Watkins has sold out his interest in the Indianapolis club, although he will probably remain there during the balance of the season, afterwards going to his farm in Michigan.
Mr. Watkins has been a noted character in baseball for the past thirty years.

Harry Bay Holds the Record.
It has been said that Fred Clarke, of Pittsburgh, established a record for outfielders that has never been surpassed when in a game between the Cincinnati Reds and the Pirates, last year, he had 10 putouts in the outfield. Dick Harley, when playing center field for Springfield, made 11 putouts, and Slagle, when playing for Grand Rapids, in 1897, chalked up 12. Both of these records were, however, beaten by Harry Bay, when in a game between Cleveland and Boston Americans Bay caught 13 fly balls.

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YANKEE JOCKEYS IN EUROPE

Many Knights of Pigskin, Unable to Make Living in United States, Popular in Old Country.

The restriction placed upon racing in the United States has caused our greatest jockeys to go abroad. The knights of the pigskin were unable to make a living here and they migrated across the pond to the turfmen that were eager to pay them princely salaries. This season there will be on the race tracks of England, France, Germany, Austria and Russia the following American jockeys: Danny Maher, "Skeets" Martin, Frank O'Neil, Johnny Reiff, Winnie O'Connor, J. Archibald, J. Sumpter, D. Winkfield, Guy Garner, Eddie Dugan, Milton Henry, Nash Turner and Willie Shaw. The average sum that each jockey will receive will be \$12,000, or an aggregate amount of \$156,000.

Frank O'Neil was the most successful jockey in France last season. He rode for William K. Vanderbilt. O'Neil's work placed the Vanderbilt racers high up on the winning list. Frank won 153 races out of a total of 655 mounts. He won the most valuable race in France, the Grand Prix de Paris, worth about \$38,000, and wound up his notable achievements by capturing the Doncaster St. Leger.

Although in the matter of winning mounts O'Neil was at the top of the list of jockeys in France, his success in the percentage line was not close to the record of Johnnie Reiff, who won one race out of every four. O'Neil will again wear the white and black colors of Vanderbilt this season.

Reiff's success last season was brilliant. He won 115 races out of a total of 468 mounts. He was largely responsible for the success of Frank J. Gould's horses. The Gould stable won



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"Pop" Anson, Old Time Leader, Tells Story of Players Who Have Won Renown at Middle Station.

Pop Anson, the great old player, relates the following story:
"Four men have made second base famous," says Anson. "They are Larry Lajoie, Johnny Evers, Eddie Collins and Fred Merkle."
"The kind of work they have done to make second base famous differs. Merkle is far separated from that of the other three. Merkle made it famous by forgetting it."
"But Merkle had nothing on Kelly. Why, Kelly would often forget to touch it. He would cut across from first to third when he thought he could get away with it."
"Whenever we would start a series away from home Kelly would get in his best work. Of course, they had only one umpire then, and if he happened to see Mike 'cut' second and called his attention to it, Mike would pass the matter off by quietly explaining that the park was new to him and he did not know where second base was located."

Eller Sets World's Record
Wins 100-Yard Indoor Hurdle Contest at Baltimore, Negotiating Distance in 0:11.4-5.
A new world's record for the 100-yard hurdle race on an indoor track was made the other night by Robert Eller of Georgetown university at the Johns Hopkins-Fifth Regiment games at Baltimore. Eller negotiated the distance in 0:11.4-5.
Bob Eller is one of the four Eller brothers of New York, who are all athletes. Jack Eller, his older brother, was a member of the American Olympic team which went to Greece in 1908. Bob holds the world's record in the 75 yard high hurdles in conjunction with his brother, and it is said that he will be a member of the American team which goes to Stockholm this summer to take part in the Olympic games there.

Yankee Stars at Paris.
The passing through Paris of the American athletes on their way to the Stockholm Olympic games next summer will be made the occasion of great sporting festivities, if plans outlined in a proposal to the American Olympic committee are carried out. The Marquis Polignac, a wealthy nobleman, will place the magnificent grounds of his chateau at Rheims at the disposal of a French committee, with the view to promoting an international athletic meeting, where the American champions will be invited to participate.

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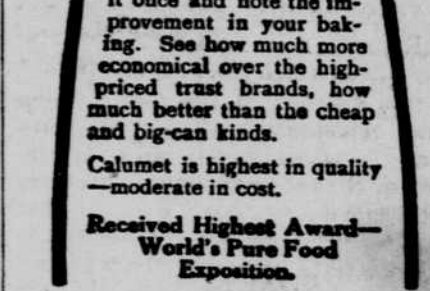
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