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MORGAN HORSES AT PINE RIDGE INDIAN AGENCY

This acknowledges your request for information concerning the Morgan horse breeding situation in this area.

Answering your questions in order, I may say that—

(a) The Pine Ridge Indian Reservation is a Government institution maintained by the Federal Government for the benefit of the Oglala Sioux Tribe of Indians. (Red Cloud was its famous chief.) The horse program was inaugurated for the express purpose of improving the quality of Indian horses. The Sioux have always been horse lovers, and this tribe has about

10,000 Head of Horses

of various types and breeds.

The Percheron horse has had a marked effect on the Indian-owned horses, most of them showing marked Percheron characteristics. Some of the Indians have bred the lighter breeds and there is a good deal of Thoroughbred blood evident.

After careful consideration with the Office of Indian Affairs, it was decided to make a direct effort to improve the type and quality of the Indian horses, establishing a breed that would be effective in meeting Indian needs. This is a livestock growing country. Indians need their horses for stock purposes to drive or ride to town, church and school.

Morgans Introduced in 1938

In 1938, the decision was made to introduce the Morgan breed of horses into the Pine Ridge reservation. A registered stallion and seven registered mares were purchased under the auspices of the Oglala Community High School, which is a Government maintained high school for Indian use. Today the school has 22 registered mares and fillies, 5 mature registered stallions, 3 coming two-year old stallions. Three stallions have been placed with Indian groups in addition.

This year about 300 head of Indian mares were bred to the registered Morgan horses in addition to the school herd, which produced 11 colts.

Morgans Most Acceptable

The Morgans are so acceptable to the Indian people that they have virtually crowded out every other breed.

(b) The Oglala Community High School herd produced 11 Morgan colts this year. About 100 half-Morgan colts were purchased by Indian-owned mares.

(c) Twenty-two registered Morgan mares were bred to the registered Morgan stallions during the spring and summer of 1942. In addition, about 300 Indian-owned mares were bred to the Morgan stallions.

(d) There have been several inquiries by white breeders in the area about registered Morgan stock. The Government, however, is not making any particular effort to sell or otherwise engage in commercial handling of Morgans. While a few may be sold, such sales may be only in case other jurisdictions in the Indian Service and Indian people do not wish the animals.

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A RANCH MAN AND A RACING MAN Says "Morgans Best General Purpose Mount"

Again the writer was pleased to receive the January issue of "The Magazine," though somewhat late in arriving. I like the progress the magazine is making since the first published and note the discussions pro and con on the Thoroughbred vs. Morgan, cross-breeds, half-breeds, etc., as to the best general utility horse. I realize that very few horsemen agree on this subject and the discussion is endless on both sides of the fence.

At the Lakeview Ranch near Chambers, Neb., we have had at stud for the last six years both Remount Thoroughbreds and a chestnut Morgan stallion "Lebel" No. 7876 sired by Jubilee King and greatly resembling Red Vermont shown in your last issue. We have a stable of Thoroughbred mares, and the colts carry our colors on the tracks. We have grade range mares which raise us one-half Thoroughbreds for the Army, and one-half Morgans for cow-horses, and we have a few registered Morgan mares.

First a Pure Bred Morgan—Next a Half Bred Morgan

Thus, while breaking the colts and handling them all I have drawn my own conclusions which are simply—give me a pure-bred Morgan and, next a one-half bred Morgan! This year the writer has been breaking and training a two-year-old Morgan Stallion "Rolind" No. 8377, sired by "Captain Kellogg" No. 7647, for a personal pleasure horse. He has taken readily to stretching calves, and all cattle handling jobs, doesn't flinch around gunfire or go crazy driving horses. This I cannot say for our one-half Thoroughbreds, they are no pleasure to ride and the least provocation when working cattle or horses and you've got a job on your hands to keep them working and tractable. You may get one to where you think you can trust him and working pretty fair and when you least expect it some day he will go hay-wire and refuse to work.

Morgans are not too prevalent in Nebraska yet, but if we and other Nebraska breeders like Glenn Watts, can obtain more registered mares we are going to show the Great Plains area that a Morgan horse is the answer to the search for the general purpose mount.

GEORGE S. HOSSACK

Sidney, Neb.

A MORGAN WANTED

Please find enclosed one dollar for a year's subscription to your magazine. I read a sample copy that was sent me and I like it very much.

I am interested in getting a Morgan stallion (preferably sorrel) to breed to my draft and saddle mares. So if you know of one that is not too high in price, I would appreciate hearing from you. Due to the travelling conditions, I could not go to see the animal, so would have to have full description of same, with pictures and also an honest seller.

CARL WECKERLY

R. D. I. Renfrew, Pa.

Morgan Horses at Pine Ridge Indian Agency

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Proud of Half-Morgan

(e) The Morgan breed appears to be very prepotent, the half-Morgan as a rule showing definitely the characteristics of the Morgan sire. In comparison with other breeds, we are not able to reach a conclusion just yet because of the comparatively short time that the Morgans have been in the area. The half-Morgan colts show a distinct tendency toward the Morgan type whatever the mare may have been. Of course, a draft mare influences the conformation definitely in terms of size and build. When crossed on the light-weight mare the colts are trim and appear to be entirely able to meet the conditions of the range country. Several two-year olds are being used by children for riding horses. The Indians appear to have a great deal of pride in these half-Morgans and will take every opportunity to point out this fact, naming the sire and showing off the good qualities of the young animal. The half-Morgan appears to be easily broken to ride or drive, which is not always the case with some of the other breeds in this area.

Half-Morgan Register Valuable

(f) It is, of course, conjectural what results would follow if a half-Morgan registry were established. Speaking for and in behalf of Indians, I should predict that a good many Indians would avail themselves of the opportunity for registration of the half-Morgan colts, particularly if the registration rate were not too high. It would appear that such registry would have a direct benefit to the people in their area who are breeding Morgans. Certainly such certificate would establish the identity of the animal, giving proof rather than mere statement of the breeding. It is our opinion that a half-Morgan register, if judiciously handled, would have benefit for some years at least. There is, of course, possibility that the half-blood animal might be in some instances sold as a pure-bred, but it would appear that only an indiscriminate buyer would make such mistake. Furthermore, the certificate showing half-blood would clearly show what the breeding is. It is my opinion that an authenticated half-Morgan gelding would command a wider buying circle than the same animal would without such authenticated breeding record.

In conclusion, I may say that the interest in Morgans is growing in this area. We receive numerous written inquiries as well as many visitors who always ask about the Morgans. The Pine Ridge Jurisdiction has several breeds of both light and heavy types. We maintain a pasture of forty breeding mares on Wounded Knee Creek, in addition to the school herd. The mares in this pasture are as follows:

- 7 American Saddle-bred
- 4 Arabians
- 9 Thoroughbred
- 14 Grade Thoroughbred
- 6 Registered Morgans
- 2 Registered Morgan Stallions

Also, you might be interested in knowing the Pine Ridge Jurisdiction is interested in the reestablishment of the Appaloosa breed, which is the breed of horses developed by the Nez Perce Indians. We have 5 of these spotted mares and 2 stallions.

Favor the Morgan Characteristics

While we are not maintaining that there is any best breed, necessarily, the weight of opinion here is very favorably toward the Morgans. Experience seems to show that a Morgan horse can take his place in the cattle herds, is useful as a work horse, and is hard to beat under the saddle. In addition, the Morgan appears to be very easily trained, is docile, and at the same time has plenty of endurance and life. It looks like the Morgan has a very good future in this area.

W O. ROBERTS

Superintendent, Pine Ridge Indian Agency, Pine Ridge, S. D.

HALF - OR - BETTER MORGAN REGISTRY!

Your publication should show an expiration date, or there should be an insert to remind one when to renew. Anyway, here is another dollar to apply.

Your letter of the 19th asks me to discuss the proposal of a part-Morgan registry. My opinion depends on how the matter is handled—it could be so messy that it would disgrace the Breed.

Properly handled, my vote is in favor of a *HALF-OR-BETTER REGISTRY FOR MORGANS!*

Out here in Kansas, we have been through the usual agitation to prohibit the use of anything but registered stallions for public service but this is still a free country so our State Board of Agriculture issues licenses to PURE-BRED, to GRADE, and to SCRUB stallions. There is no confusion, because each class of license is on paper of a different color, and because the class of the license is stated in type that is so many times larger than the general wording that the class of the license completely dominates the page. The Law requires that the license must be plainly posted where those interested may see it, and the customers buy what they please.

Half-Bred More Valuable

A birth certificate is desirable for either man or beast. If a HALF-OR-BETTER registry is properly handled, it will help to make the sellers of Morgans as honest as the horses. If a prospective buyer likes a horse, he will usually pay more for a recorded half-bred than for one that is not recorded, and he will pay more for a three-quarter Morgan than for a half Morgan, and more for a seven-eighths than for a three-quarter.

For the protection of the amateurs, all certificates of pedigree should have a warning something like:—"This pedigree tells you the breeding of the animal but it does not guarantee either quality or soundness—if you do not like the animal, do not buy the pedigree."

In case you happen to wonder why you do not get back more of those ballots from the magazine, just remember that cutting out the ballot means butchering the magazine—do you think that you are still running a daily paper?

Several months ago, I sent you a letter that I wrote to a man in California, suggesting how he might be able to persuade the Remount to send him a Morgan. As I did not have his town address, I sent the letter to you to forward. Never heard from him or you.

I note in the recent issue that others are wishing for Morgans from the Remount.

Tell them to quit wasting time wishing and to *go to work on the job. It can be done! ! !*

Or perhaps you think that it was purely accidental that Abbott happened to come out to Southeastern Kansas, when Cranford was recalled to Middlebury? ?

C. E. BURTON

Pecan Valley Farm, Coffeyville, Kan.

FROM ILLINOIS:

I received the last issue of THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE and I'm very much interested in the discussion on this Half-Morgan Register. I don't think the Half-Morgan Register will help the Morgan breed any. In fact, I think it will confuse people who are really interested in pure blooded Morgans.

I have seen some good Half-Morgans that haven't run to Morgan type. It seems to me we have so many different type Morgans now registered. Where the Half-Morgan Register would help some places—I don't think it will help the Morgan breed.

You might be interested to know Daisette 04264, the dam of Jubilee King 7570, is still alive, and in foal to Mountain Silver Shiek. She has raised a fine filly colt for me the last three years. She will be twenty-one years old in May, 1943. I enclose \$1.00 for subscription, and \$5.00 for a quarter-page advertisement.

THOMAS T. BRUNK

R. 3, Springfield, Ill.

KAY ASKS—"WHY ALL THIS OUTCROSSING?"

We've been wondering if it wasn't about time to write for our magazine. We'll admit the magazine is unique and enjoy it very much, but—

Not having received any late information regarding the Half-Bred stud book, we don't know how that came out. Personally, we believe there is enough X's running through the pages of the Morgan Register as it is and the half-bred book will eventually make a lot more. As for the increased revenue, well and good, if we can only keep the Morgan Horse from playing second fiddle to the Bank Book.

And in speaking of that, if the Morgan Horse is what we thought he was, what we want him to be, why all this outcrossing in order to make him something else? If everybody took a whirl at the word we call Type would soon be thrown over the windmill. He has already proven his worth as a saddle horse. At least he is the kind we like. Also we've never felt the need of whittling on him in order to make his tail stick up like a stud cat walking a back yard fence. And incidentally Wonderman 7671 looks like he'd been whittled on too. If people *must* attract this extra attention, they might try carrying a flag, wearing a red shirt or some such foofaraw. All for the glory of progress we suppose.

The above may not be in line with constructive Morgan breeding, yet we find that horse show demands have their influence with most breeders. And instead of being guided by his own judgment in his breeding plan, he plays along with just another racket, to the detriment of the horse. We'll agree that horse shows help the breeder, but one should not ride the other. The general public, as you know, can be led to believe and think *anything*.

A. N. KAY

Phoenix, Ariz.

"JUSTIN MORGAN — THE LITTLE GIANT"

This is the title of one of the twenty illustrated chapters in the book "Deep Through The Heart" by C. W. Anderson.

This is the story of "Twenty Valiant Horses" and the illustrations, from beautiful lithographs, are also by Mr. Anderson.

Most of the horses are shown in individual poses, but the author, in addition to an illustration of the Roth statue on the grounds of the U. S. Morgan Horse Farm, presents four views of old Justin in action in the performances for which he was justly famous—pulling a log, at a gallop, on parade, and at the trot.

Mr. Anderson devotes two pages of text to Justin Morgan, stating "he founded a line that is without a parallel in breeding history," that "his endurance and ruggedness must have been more than a legend, for it is one of the outstanding traits of his thousands of descendants" that "willingness and intelligence are characteristics, and pound for pound it is doubtful if there is a breed in the world that can match him."

As everyone knows who is acquainted with Morgans, these statements have merit but the author falls into a frequent error when he says "his origin and breeding are unknown" for it is well established by the two historians of the breed that Justin Morgan was of Arab descent and was sired by "True Briton."

¹ Published by The Macmillan Company, New York, 1940. Price, \$2.50.

HERE IS RULE II

The following is the wording of Rule II as adopted by the Club in 1939 to become effective January 1, 1942:

To register any horse in the American Morgan Horse Register which is not the produce of a sire and dam both registered therein, application with full particulars should be made to the Executive Committee of the Morgan Horse Club, Incorporated, at 90 Broad Street, New York, N. Y., whose decision will be final.

The Executive Committee of the Club will consider for registration under Rule II only such animals as are preponderantly of Morgan breeding.



FROM IOWA:

Enclosed find two pictures. They are not very good. One shows view of my barn and part of my Morgan horses.

The other picture is Illini 8425¹ two-year-old stallion. This colt never has been defeated in his class and won the coveted trophy very easily at the Illinois State Fair in 1941. He is chestnut with light mane and tail.

ANTON CHRISTENSEN

Christensen Morgan Horse Farm, Ames, Iowa

¹ Bred by Simon Lantz of Illinois. Sire, Rosco Morgan 7573; dam, "Madell" 05217.

LIEUT.-COL. WOMACK REPORTS ON HIS REMOUNT AREA

Reference your letter received quite some time ago, requesting information regarding the Morgan horse in the North Central Remount area, the following reply has been withheld, pending receipt of colt reports from all agents.

In the North Central Remount Area, comprising the States of Arkansas, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota (although no stallions at present assigned in Arkansas) there are located 110 Remount stallions, including 99 Thoroughbreds, 5 Arabians, 1 American Saddlebred and 5 Morgans. There have been 2,259 foals by Thoroughbreds and 83 by Morgans reported for 1942.

It has been our experience that the cattle-producing areas are, for our purpose, also the best horse-producing areas, since the type of horse used by cattlemen and the work which they require of a horse most nearly approximates Service conditions. In regard to Remount stallions, the demand in these areas is almost entirely for Thoroughbreds, with some local preference for Arabians. The demand for Morgans, which in this area is not great, is confined to localities in which farming predominates, and where an all-purpose horse is desired. By all-purpose, I mean a light horse which can be used for plowing, pull a wagon or buggy, and also be ridden with some degree of satisfaction and comfort.

Mr. C. E. Burton of Coffeyville, Kan., is probably the most ardent supporter of the Morgan horse in this area. Until recently, he was agent for the stallion Cranford, belonging to the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Cranford was returned to the Department of Agriculture at their request, and has been replaced by the Morgan stallion Abbott. Although Mr. Burton is located in Kansas, most of the mares bred to his stallions come from Oklahoma.

It is my opinion that, in this part of the country, the demand for Morgans is greater in the South, where a smaller horse is preferred by ranchers than in the Northern States.

I hope that this information will be of value to you, and regret that my short term of service in this area does not permit greater detail of information.

C. D. WOMACK

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EDITORIALS

HAIL TO THE MID - WEST

Long a Great Morgan Horse Section

NEXT NUMBER WILL BE THE EAST

The July number will give news of the East if advertising and news reports are in hand by June 15.

MORGAN STALLIONS IN 1943

In our next number we will gladly print, by states, the names of Morgan stallions and address of owners.

This will give information to new owners and to Morgan prospects.

ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE \$1.00

A member of the Morgan Horse Club recently asked if the magazine was free to members and we advised that THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE was an *extra* undertaking, that it costs money, that membership in other breed societies did not carry free subscriptions of the breed magazines and that we hoped that this magazine was worth a dollar bill.

AN IMPORTANT SALE — MAY 15

It is with regret that we announce an important public Sale on May 15th by Mr. Earle Brown, (now Sheriff Brown, of Hennepin County, Minneapolis, Minnesota) of all his Morgans at his beautiful estate near East Burke and Lyndonville, Vermont.

Mr. Brown, since his purchase of the extensive establishment and farms of Mr. E. A. Darling, long a top breeder of Morgan horses and Jersey cattle, has also been a prominent Morgan breeder.

To his collection of Eastern stock he added a number of Midwest Morgans—notably the stallion, General Pershing, for which he paid \$1000 at the Stevenson dispersal sale in Iowa a few years ago.

Mr. Brown is not giving up his Vermont farms, but in expanding his beef stock holdings, more barn space will be required. He will doubtless for the present continue the use of Morgans at his Minnesota farms.

This sale will permit the distribution of choice Morgan stock into new channels at the buyer's price.

BREEDING FOR A NEW DRAFT BREED!

Some time ago Army officers became such enthusiastic devotees of the "horse of sport," of the Thoroughbred—a suitable horse for racing, steeplechasing, polo, hunting, jumping, etc.—that they received the theory, and propounded it, that a suitable draft horse, which they stated was needed, could be developed from a Thoroughbred-Draft cross. There are no present day draft breeds established on this combination.

Later Colonel Harris, president of the Arab Club, took up the subject of using Arab stallions on draft stock to produce a new draft breed, and experiments along these lines are being attempted in Wisconsin and California.

Recently some remarks on the need of a new draft breed by Wayne Dinsmore, the Director of the Horse and Mule Association, drew attention and comment in some Western papers. Elsewhere in this issue we give Mr. Dinsmore's address and a letter on the subject.

Perhaps a few hundred years ago Arab blood may have been used on native, or Northern European, stock, but no present day draft breed has any recent alliance with this Eastern blood unless it be in the Percherons of France.

No draft breed has been founded in this country, although certain areas for a time became known as centers for a definite type as the Vermont Draft horse, from Vermont, and the Conestoga Horse of Pennsylvania.

Morgans Fill the Bill

While breed partisans are advocating the use of their light horse stallions on draft stock, let no one overlook the fact that the Morgan breed was established as an agricultural horse on the hills and rocks of Vermont by Justin Morgan and his immediate descendants.

The bred was then, and is now, the most versatile family of horse flesh ever produced in America or elsewhere. The Morgan did the logging and the plowing, jogged the family wagon or sleigh uphill and down to the village, carried the children on his back to school, and was the true family horse. He was the pet of everyone—docile, with a wonderful temperament—yet possessing spirit and unusual soundness, toughness and long life. Before the days of registrations Morgans and Half-Morgans worked the farms of Vermont and pulled the stages from Boston, and were the source of the famous Vermont Draft horse—resulting from the cross of Morgan stallions on the larger part-Morgan, and on the draft-type mares of that period.

In Vermont and in the Middlewest the handy, willing, intelligent part-Morgan horse has proved to be a superior farm horse—adaptable to any work and fed at a low cost.

On this background and trial and test of 150 years, we challenge Thoroughbred or Arab draft crosses to equal the results attained by the Morgan cross. Here you have a lightweight draft horse with soundness and temperament, willing to undertake any task. In the last issue of THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE a picture of a pair of Morgan draft horses, ages 17 and 18, appeared.

Mr. O'Neill of Illinois with a number of Morgan stallions has bred thousands of mares in that area, and has produced a most satisfactory agricultural, all-purpose versatile animal. We suggest he show Mr. Dinsmore the result of many years of breeding.

SUBSCRIBES FOR NEW OWNERS

"Enclosed you will find \$1.00. Please send THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE to R. H. Guidebeck, R. R. 2, Otsego, Mich.

"Mr. Guidebeck is very much interested in Morgan horses, and just purchased a weanling stud colt from me, and asked me to send for the magazine for him. Will have some more subscribers for the magazine soon."

JOS. ROY BRUNK

Rochester, Ill.

PART - MORGANS OF AN EARLIER DAY

The discussion aroused by the suggestion that a new and entirely separate and distinct Half-Morgan Record be established, and thus permit tightening up on the rules controlling registrations in the Morgan Horse Registry of the Morgan Horse Club, 90 Broad Street, New York City, naturally leads one to consider Half or Part Morgans in the regular Morgan Horse Registry, before the days of the X.

With Justin Morgan, foaled in 1789, the founder of the breed, his sons and his early descendants out-crossing on mares of all kinds of mixed breeding, the results surely were not "pure bred" and of no fixed under-15-hand type.

The record shows that of 4725 stallions registered in Volume II covering all Morgan stallions recorded with heights over a period of 115 years, heights were given on 2939 stallions, of which 253 or 8.6% were less than 15 hands; that 640 or 21.7% were at 16 hands or over; that 1922 or 65.4% were listed at 15.2 hands or over.

It may be of interest to review some of the "old-fashioned" Morgans:

Prince Charlie, as reported at the 1911 Vermont State Fair, "a horse of Morgan pattern and spirit," "except for the fact that he had an unlocked tail and was of a somewhat different shade of chestnut, almost the image of Hale's Green Mountain Morgan," he "fairly won his blue."

Yet there was strong support (page 319, Volume III) that his dam was sired by David P. Cushing's Percheron horse, Francis, brought from Canada, breeding unknown.

Kate 03287, won first in the brood mare class in 1911—"wide in front and behind, with a round body and short nimble legs"—14 $\frac{1}{4}$ hands—sire Nimble, by Dean Sage by Hambletonian; dam said to be by Daniel Lambert 62.

There was very little Morgan blood here, yet these two animals were consistent winners at the big Morgan Horse Shows some 32 years ago when the group operating the Morgan Club fixed upon the under 15 hand animal—14.2 hand—of the blocky type, even if of draft blood and draft type, as the Morgan type.

In many sections, General Gates, for some years the senior stallion at the U. S. Morgan Horse Farm, is recognized as the founder of the modern Morgan, but Colonel Spencer Borden in 1908 wrote "General Gates, a horse that can make no pretense to being more than a half-bred Morgan, as his dam was by a running horse, his granddam a pacing mare." In the eyes of this well known horseman draft blood was less dangerous than running or pacing blood!

And in the Middle West Percheron blood was no barrier to registration in the Morgan Register, as in the case of Hattie Morgan (page 391, Volume II) and Lucy Morgan (page 399), the dam of each being sired by an imported Percheron.

And to go back to the famous Green Mountain Morgan, 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ hands, 1100 lbs.; a horse of great muscular development; a first prize winner at several state fairs in Kentucky, Ohio, Michigan and Vermont. We find his sire was Gifford Morgan (the dam of which was almost certainly a high-bred mare tracing to some of the very best of the early imported thoroughbred stock—Battell). His dam was a low, thick-set mare, rather heavy-built, strong-muscled and flat-ribbed and nothing definite is known of her breeding. Consequently, the renowned and prize-winning Green Mountain Morgan actually carried little Morgan blood.

Perhaps like breeding would not now be admitted to the regular Morgan Register, or even to a Half-Morgan Record, so there seems to be no reason why closer attention to blood lines at this time would not tend to improve the breed.

Type results from careful selective breeding and each breeder, or the breeders in certain defined areas, must determine the type and the size desired, for the use differs in different parts of the country—the size or the type of a Morgan desired in the East, Middle West or on the ranges of the West cannot be identical—modern Arabs and Thoroughbreds differ widely from those of 150 years ago, so why now attempt to duplicate old Justin Mor-

gan and fix you a Morgan-type it cannot be done. Each breeder must decide on the size and type he desires to breed.

MORGAN BEST IN INDIAN AGENCY

I hope that I did not appear impatient in calling your attention to the delay in our receipt of the November, December and January issues of the MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE. We value the magazine, however, and use it in the work of the high school here, which is maintained for Indian youth.

The school here has been breeding Morgan horses for a little more than three years now, and we are much interested in this breed. From our observation and use of Morgans to date, we believe that they meet the needs of the cattle industry in this plains country and of the small farmer quite effectively. We find them a satisfactory saddle horse. We have several here which we have trained for saddle purposes, and we find them highly satisfactory.

Strongly Approves Half - Morgan Registry

Concerning the half Morgan or part Morgan registry, we have weighed the question rather seriously and are definitely of the opinion that it would help the Morgan horse breeding program in this area. For example, we find that a grade Thoroughbred will command interest and selling price if it can be established that a Remount horse sired the animal. Everyone in this country that I have talked to remembers the Morgans, but think they are a horse that is nearly, if not quite, extinct. I am quite sure that such registry would develop the salability of the grade Morgans in this area for the simple reason that it would establish the authenticity of the animal's breeding. It would be a case of the record versus say-so. I cannot see that it would in any wise jeopardize the pure-bred registry. We certainly would not expect or desire such registrations to be interchangeable.

In any event, the interest of the school here is in breeding Morgans for the purpose of interfusion with the Indian-owned horses, in order to bring about a type and standard of horse suitable to Indian needs which is, in short, a horse that can be used in cattle work, for general saddle purposes and light farm work. We are not in the commercial horse business though the Indians may be when their herds have developed sufficiently.

W. O. ROBERTS

Superintendent, United States Department of the Interior, Office of Indian Affairs, Pine Ridge Indian Agency, Pine Ridge, S. D.

FROM CALIFORNIA:

Enclosed herewith you will find check in the amount of one dollar for which please send me THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE.

At the present time I have issues, May-June No. 5 and July-August No. 6. If it is possible to secure the ones that I do not have please let me know and I will be glad to forward a check to cover their cost.

Last December Mr. McClure of Santa Ana and Mr. Jack Davis of Arcadia suggested that I join The Morgan Horse Club. Their suggestion was acted upon and now it appears that along with my Morgan horses and my membership it is necessary to have the Magazine to enjoy along with them.

Box 66, Canoga Park, Calif.

W. E. FRANZ

Enclosed is my vote against a Half-Morgan Register. It seems to me that most all horses are half some breed or other. There is enough variation in uniformity in the pure bred Morgans; and if a Half-Morgan Register is started this lack of uniformity would be greatly increased. The Half Morgan Register might increase the income of the owners of Morgan stallions but the first thing we know half the horses in the country will have some kind of papers or other.

LEIGH W. NICKERSON

610 Alvarado Street Redlands Calif

PRESIDENT RUTHVEN OF UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN ON "VERTEBRAL PECULIARITY" OF MORGANS

As an admirer of the Morgan, I read all of the new and old "facts," conjectures, and legends on the ancestry of this horse which come to my attention. As a breeder and a biologist, however, I cannot be convinced of the importance of this literature. Every student who seeks to learn something of the origins of our domestic breeds is fated to discover that the beginnings of most of them are shrouded in ignorance and confused by imagination and old wives' tales. This is, of course, understandable, since most of the strains have appeared by chance and have not been immediately appreciated. Again, while many forms have arisen in the course of hybridization, they may really be mutations, or sports, with characters separating them sharply from both of the parent stocks.

We may as well admit now that we will never know with certainty the identity of the sire and dam of Justin Morgan. I submit that this information, if we had it, would be of little benefit to breeders. More important is it, first, to recognize that the chief anatomical peculiarity claimed for the descendants of the original stallion—lack of a dorsal vertebra—does not require the assumption of an Arab cross, and, second, to discover the behavior of this character in both incrosses and outcrosses.

There seem to be no reliable data on the inheritability of the vertebral peculiarity of this breed. The need now is for exact information supported by photographs and registry numbers. This can only be accumulated by the united efforts of many conscientious breeders. The results will justify all of the time and effort needed to secure them. If it should be proven that a reduced number of vertebrae is a dominant character in the breed, the Morgan will be revealed as a mutant in important respects similar to the one which produced the Arab and as a more distinctive race than most domesticated strains of the horse.

ALEXANDER G. RUTHVEN

Ann Arbor, Mich.

UNITE ON "TYPE!"

Enclosed please find my ballot. My reasons for voting as I did are several.

It seems to me that Morgan people should decide whether we are to favor Lindsay's definition as to what a Morgan is or whether we will change our ideas of type, as for example, Upwey King Peavine and Jubilee Kay.

In our 150th Anniversary and in more recent Morgan shows, there has been quite a difference in types shown. It is evident that there is considerable difference of opinion among owners, breeders and judges as to type. How then can type be judged for a Half-Morgan Registry when we can't get together on just a Morgan? Speaking for myself the Morgan according to Lindsay is my preference. I believe we have something to be proud of, something different and outstanding!

It seems to me that we are running the same danger today of losing our Morgan as was run when breeders tried for speed. Now we seem to be trying to emulate the Thoroughbred, Standardbred or some other breed. Are we ashamed of having a Morgan look like a Morgan?

Not for one minute do I suggest not doing everything possible to improve our Morgans, by selective breeding and proper feeding. In this way size can be obtained. We have plenty of "X" blood right now, perhaps too much.

Would it not be better to educate the public into saying, "There goes a Morgan" instead of "Whatcha got there?"

Therefore, before we take on something else, why not make what we have positive? Unite on what our present type is, then and then only can it be sound, from my point of view, to consider further steps of any sort.

(MRS. E. L.) ALICE H. WHITNEY

R.F.D., Gorham, Me.

QUESTIONS VALUE OF RULE II

Herewith proxy in relation to the Special Meeting of the Club to be held April 5. I have provided for your sole representation of my vote as proxy, in view of the statement of your position in the last issue of the bulletin as opposed to the Half-Morgan Registry.

I think that the position of the breed as to purity of blood and as to fixation of type is in entirely too precarious a state to permit with advantage to the Morgan horse, risk of the manifest dangers which would attend recognition in any degree whatever of animals of the half-blood. It may be that in some degree, Rule II has been a factor of some aid in encouraging the concentration of pure blood by those breeders who conscientiously breed back into unquestionable concentrations of pure blood. But with the existing promiscuity in type, I am strongly disposed to question the further usefulness of Rule II.

Although I recognize that with my relatively recent advent to membership in the Club, my opinion is entitled to little weight, I have been upon the point of writing to the Editors of THE BULLETIN, an expression of this central thought: Various efforts are being made to develop a general-purpose, utility farm horse to weigh less than 1200 pounds. Mr. Wayne Dinsmore wrote an article on a series of experiments being carried on, in crossing Shire mares with Arabian stallions. Within six miles of where I sit, a similar experiment is being conducted along two different lines. One is a cross of Suffolk-Punch mares with Arabs and the other, a cross of Cleveland Bay mares with Arabs. The purported objective of these two latter experiments is to produce an artillery horse, according to Mr. Albert A. Harris, upon whose farms the experiments are going forward, and under whose supervision the crosses are being carried out. They expect that it will take forty years to reach the ultimate goal which they seek.

To me it would seem an abject confession of incompetence for the Morgan Horse Fraternity to admit that it could not in ten years, with selections properly made, produce a horse which would meet all of the requirements which these experiments aim at, with a better animal, in every particular, to show as the result, and without a single cross outside of registered blood.

By dallying and equivocating on the subject of type the Morgan breeders are in danger of losing the last of the provinces which clearly belong to the Morgan horse, if indeed, a consensus opinion and purpose among breeders has anything to do with the development, production and marketing of a horse with recognized and accepted factors of commercial worth. This last province to which I refer, is the general utility field. It will be filled by a horse which can do all of the general light work which the horse does today on the average mechanized farm. It will be a horse with enough power to do this work and yet possessing sufficient agility, "handiness" and docility to make a satisfactory riding mount. If the object of the Morgan Horse breeding is only to perpetuate the legend of Justin Morgan then, I suppose, one need not be particular as to what a Morgan horse can do. But I seriously question that many generations of horse breeders will try to continue to breed, or that many generations of horse lovers and purchasers will want to continue to acquire, mere lineal descendants of a legend,—no matter how illustrious.

STURGES P. TAGGART

Lake Geneva, Wis.

FROM SOUTH DAKOTA:

I am glad to enclose herewith Proxy for use at the special meeting to be held on April 5.

Personally, I feel that it may be all right to establish a half Morgan registration. The chances are that it will not be over done, and it will surely make an outlet for registered Morgan stallions.

However, I feel that it is going to be difficult to control it, so I am voting for No. 1.

C. LARSEN

Dean Emeritus, South Dakota State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, Division of Agriculture, Brookings, S. D.

KAY OF ARIZONA BUYS

I am enclosing my proxy as requested. The increased registration and transfer fees as suggested seem reasonable enough. But as for the half breed book, I believe there is enough confusion running about the woods already. I'd hate to see the Morgan Horse playing second fiddle for the benefit of high finance.

I finally received my mares from Roland G. Hill. They were held up quite a while in Los Angeles waiting report on a dourine test. They are fine looking mares and I am well pleased with them. Am anxious to see what kind of colts they have when crossed with my horse.

Before getting these mares and when it looked like I couldn't make the grade as regards transportation, I made a deal with Mr. Melville Haskell of Tucson for a couple of grade Morgans. One of these, Dancing Girl, is out of Sweet Sultana 05816, and oddly enough was eligible for registration under the special clause in Rule II. But Mr. Haskell either did not know this or was indifferent to the fact. She is sired by The Squire, a registered Standardbred horse whose grandsire was Peter The Great, his granddam by Guy Axworthy. His dam is Miss Pansy H. by Belwin, out of Honeymoon H. by John A. McKeveon. There may be other traces to Morgan blood that I do not know of. This horse looks more like a Morgan than many whose pictures are in the Morgan Registers. Anyway, I presume that the fillies at least from this mare could be registered under Rule II. But if they don't look right, I won't even make application for them. I want a real Morgan to go along with those papers. It is true that many of us will never be rich enough to be really honest, but for my part I have found other compensations besides money in my association with the Morgan Horse.

I have received a few copies of the MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE, the last issue that of September-October '42 which copy I had to write for. I wrote them again on March 2nd, but have received no word. Perhaps they don't appreciate the complexion of my letters. I like the magazine very much. It's about the only means I have in knowing what's going on. Oh well. Hope this finds everything O.K. with you and yours.

A. N. KAY

Phoenix, Ariz.

SEEKING STALLION FOR VIRGINIA

This will acknowledge your letter written March 27. Since receiving your letter I have had a list from the Morgan Club of New York. They indicate that there is only one Morgan stallion in Virginia.¹ I have written this owner, Mr. Enos W. Yoder whose address I have as Lynnhaven (near Norfolk) to learn of his stallion.

From the list I would judge that there are not very many Morgans in Virginia and to me that seems like a mistake. I think I would be interested either in buying a Morgan stallion or having one released to me. At least I would like to know more about the situation and the individual that you might be able to offer.

The two Morgans I have are full sisters out of Herodona by Tiffany. Tiffany was sired by Mansfield and Herodona by Pongee Morgan. I have been able to learn a little bit about Tiffany but not much about Herodona. I have several other riding horses but I think Mrs. Jackson and I are more fond of our Morgans and sometimes have them here in Pittsburgh. They are in foal now and we have them at the farm which is along the Rappahannock River in Virginia.

I suppose it might be of some importance to you to know in case you might consider placing a stallion at my farm that I have some fifteen hundred acres. We are building up a Hereford herd. We have some good Belgians and I believe a fairly good Belgian stallion. We also have registered Hampshire sheep.

Any information you care to send me will be interesting.

J. E. JACKSON

Neville Island P. O., Pittsburgh, Pa.

¹ Editor: The Stone Farm at Charlottesville, Va., also have some Morgan stallions.

"VERSATILITY AND UTILITY"

The Morgan Slogan

Though the Morgan is known primarily as the foundation stone of the Standard breed, . . . and of the American Saddle breed, they were also used as an all-purpose farm horse, for heavy saddle duty and as road horses. As a light breed horse, the Morgan with his strength and intelligence is ideal. To testify to the importance of this indigenous American breed, the Federal Government maintains a Remount Center to perpetuate the breed. Even before the war, the Morgan was staging a nation-wide revival. In the West he is being used as a stock horse. In the Central States he is used as a breeder and all-purpose work horse and in the East the emphasis is placed on the Morgan as a saddle horse.

A horse with such a distinctive history and whose versatility and utility insure a brilliant future for him will play a vital role in meeting farm and transportational problems in this crisis. "Tough as a Morgan" has become a folk expression.

The Morgan is a tough horse, and he can cope with any situation, even if it is as tough as the present one from an extended article on the horse, entitled "Pegasus comes to Earth," by Amy Freeman Lee, in *The Cattleman*, of November, 1942.

MORGAN BEST ON RANGE

Enclosed find P.O. order for \$5.00 membership fee, also vote on Half-Morgan Registry.

I consider that a long step backward. Let's not let any such step occur. The country would be cluttered up with a lot of nondescript horses of no fixed type. The Morgan horse is just gaining in popularity here in the West. It has been a long road up but we have made it, and I always contended that *only* the American Trotter should have been used to build the Morgan under Rule 2. I have always used the old type Morgan for years, and if there is any better horse for the range work we do, I have never seen him. Also I have always had a ready sale for my stock, and that was only due to their fine quality, as I had plenty of competition.

I have a suggestion to make as regards extra finances. Why not charge much more all around as follows:

To Members

Membership fee per year.	\$10.00
Registry before one-year-old	10.00
Registry after one-year-old to five	15.00
Registry after five-years-old	25.00
Transfer fees	15.00
and to non-members—add five dollars to the registry fee charged.	

I have registered Percheron horses and they charge about the same as above for registry fees. Let me know what you think of such a plan to raise more money. Would it be sufficient, etc.?

In the face of this proposal to form a Half breed Registry, I for one will suggest most any other step. Let's not tear down all we have built up. To me this is unthinkable.

Huson, Mont

THOMAS W. ADAMS

STOCK OF COVEY BROTHERS AT COKEVILLE, WYOMING

Breeders of Hampshire, Cotswold, Rambouillet, Crossbred Rams and Morgan Horses

Have 25,000 sheep, 850 rams, 196 horses and mules, including 2 registered three-year-old mares and 2 registered stallions of Morgan breed: 1 registered Jack and a registered Belgian stallion.

Our trouble is getting top stud rams and good enough sires for our mares. Half-blood stallion would start our horses back again.

THE SECRETARY OF THE AMERICAN QUARTER HORSE ASSOCIATION DISCUSSES MORGANS AND QUARTER HORSES

Your letter of February 22, 1943, has been referred to me.

Through my interest in The American Quarter Horse Association and for my own information, I have made considerable study of the history of the Quarter Horse. Also I have done some research work on the history of the Morgan Horse. The statements herein made are the results of my own findings and are not official statements of this Association. Please accept them as such and feel free to take issue with me.

I have no definite proof that some Quarter Horses are shy one vertebra, however the conformation of a typical Quarter Horse suggests that he has only five vertebrae.

You suggest that the Quarter Horse might be more closely related to the Morgan than he is to the Thoroughbred. All light breeds have a common fountain head. The pedigree your association has accepted as that of Justin Morgan is principally Thoroughbred, such as the Thoroughbred was at that time. Justin Morgan is said to have foaled in 1789. Some authorities say he foaled in 1793, which is neither here nor there. The Quarter Horse was an established breed as early as 1665 and is the earliest American horse breed. So the Quarter Horse could not be closely related to the Morgan; however, the Morgan could be distantly related to the Quarter Horse judging from the various pedigrees that have been allotted to Justin Morgan.

The Morgan was developed for a harness horse. The Quarter Horse was developed for a short-distance race horse and a stock horse. Some of the fastest trotters have Morgan blood in their veins. Volume I of *The Morgan Horse and Register*, published in 1894, states that any horse that had as much as 1/64 Justin Morgan blood was eligible for registration as a Morgan. If my information is correct, the Morgan was registered in *The American Trotting Register* until the Morgan Horse Club was organized. The Morgan no longer possesses a fixed type. He has been absorbed by the Standardbred; and he played a big part in the development of the American Saddle Horse.

The original Justin Morgan was a small, compact horse with considerable speed and lots of power. He was, in conformation and performance, far removed from what was then termed a Thoroughbred. I am inclined to believe Justin Morgan was a Dutch Horse. It is very likely that the Dutch Horse, Young Burlock, was the sire of Justin Morgan. The horse that we know as Justin Morgan, Mr. Morgan called Figure, and he referred to him as a Dutch Horse. From all accounts, the pedigree of Beautiful Bay was manufactured by Mr. Selah Norton. What we know of Justin Morgan is most becoming to a Dutch Horse. The Dutch Horses originated in Utrecht, Holland. I understand, and were numerous in the Dutch Colony of New York. They were hardy, compact, and fast. As early as 1647 Dutch Horses were sold to Virginia, and one would suppose that they were crossed with the native Virginia horses.

Justin Morgan might even have been a Quarter Horse, but the Morgan Horse of today does not resemble a Quarter Horse in any way whatsoever. In fact, I believe your association once proclaimed him as such. I quote from a letter the late Mr. Williams Anson, of Christoval, Texas, wrote in 1921 to Major E. G. Cullum: "The original Justin Morgan generally is admitted to have been a Quarter Horse; the members of the Morgan Club in New York, through Mr. C. C. Stillman, communicated with me on this subject, and they accept it as a fact that he could have been nothing else."

The American Quarter Horse featured in the development of the Thoroughbred in America. Unfortunately, Colonel Bruce cleverly concealed many Quarter Horse pedigrees in the American Stud Book.

I refer to that part of your letter in which you state that early Quarter Horses went from Illinois to the Southwest. The Quarter Horse originated in Virginia and spread from there to the Carolinas, Tennessee, and Maryland. And later he spread not only to the Southwest but to all parts of the United States.

The horses of the Southwest were more famous as cow horses than as race horses. The Quarter Horse has always excelled all other horses as a stock horse, general utility horse, and as a short-distance race horse. He has been bred for these things for well over three hundred years.

Virginia got the bulk of the early importations from England. Illinois got very few. After the General Stud Book was opened horses came to all parts of the United States in great numbers.

I would be pleased to hear further from you on the possible relationship between the Morgan and the Quarter Horse.

Sincerely yours,

HELEN MICHAELIS

Box 580, Eagle Pass, Tex.

MORGANS DO WELL ON WINTER RANGE IN MONTANA

I wish you would send me a copy of the Magazine for November-December. For some reason or other I never received mine and I surely miss it.

Also I wish you would send a year's subscription to Norman Nelson, Dillon, Montana, for which you will find enclosed a check for \$1.00.

I was riding on the winter range today and saw twenty-six or seven of my horses. They are wintering fat. Has been a good winter, quite a little snow, but thawing weather most of the time which has kept the grass soft.

Looks as if every mare were with foal. I exchanged the registered Morgan stallion, Comidore X8002 for Ginger, a dark chestnut, unregistered. I saw a number of his colts from very common mares and they were good. He has the prettiest little Morgan beed you ever saw and transmits it 100%. He is a smaller horse and more on the compact type.

R. E. SPENCE

Bannack Rte., Dillon, Mont.

MAGNIFICENT BREED

I should like to renew my subscription to THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE for one year. I have not yet received my November-December issue. I don't know whether my subscription has run out or not because I have not yet received a notice.

This magazine is very interesting because we here in the East may find out what the Westerners' ideas of Morgans are and find out what kind of a horse they demand.

I have a Morgan mare that I have owned since March 14, 1941 and I grow to love her more every day. Truly, this is a magnificent breed of horses, and I believe it should be kept true and pure. However, I think the Arab-Morgan cross would make a horse of much beauty, stamina, endurance and would be liked by both Arab and Morgan lovers.

If I had more than the one, or was raising Morgans, I would most certainly belong to the Morgan Horse Club, but I see no need of joining again this year because I have no horse to register and would be unable to attend any of the meetings because of the transportation problem. Please find \$1.00 enclosed for subscription.

MISS BARBARA JEAN SHEPARD

7 Forest St., Stoneham, Mass.

JUSTIN MORGAN — FOALED 1789

D. W. Bliss, in his "Essay on Justin Morgan and His Family," published in 1890, stated:

For, although it has been generally supposed that he was foaled in 1793, and brought by his owner and breeder from whom he took his name from Springfield, Mass., to Randolph, Vt., two years later, in the fall of 1795, recent investigations show that these dates are incorrect. He was foaled in 1789 and brought to Randolph in the fall of 1791.

FAMOUS BRUNK FARM STARTED 1892

Just received THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE today. It does one who has been a breeder of Morgans all his life a lot of good to read of the Morgan news and to see so many names of stallions and mares that were foaled and raised at the Cotton Hill Stock Farm, and also to know I was personally present when nearly all were foaled and handled and cared for them until they were sold.

I enjoyed the article "Morgan Blood for Endurance" by Charles B. Roth as I have personally used Morgans at all kinds of hard work, under saddle, in all harness, sometimes using from five to eight in teams at one time on the farm, and the 15 to 15.2 Morgan always seemed to be just a little bit better at hard work of all kinds than the 15.3 to 16 hand type. I have used them when it was 110 degrees in summer and 20 degrees below in winter, and will say the 15 hand type stand the excessive heat at hard work better than any other size.

I had expected to write a history of my experiences as a Morgan Breeder as far back as I can recall (1898), or six years after my father, Jos. C. Brunk, started in the breeding of Morgans, but as yet I have not found the time to do so. I can well remember the ten mares and the stallion, Chetco, by Ben Franklin, that my father bought from the Frank McGavock Estate, Nashville, Tennessee, when he first started the breeding of Morgans.

I have recently sold and expect to ship this month the three stallions, Juzan 7895, by Jubilee King 7570, Tarron 7963, by Tiffany 7517, and Congo 8354, by Tarron, with the mares McJoy 05660 and Zana 05780 to Hector A. Pivaral, Guatemala City, Guatemala, Central America, also the mare Netana to Charles R. Allen, Princeton, Indiana.

I am enclosing a picture of three Morgan colts taken last September, if you wish to use this picture anytime in THE MAGAZINE, have a cut made and send me the bill and I will send a check for it.

I will also enclose \$5.00 for one-fourth page ad which is also enclosed. If you cannot use it in the Mid-West number use it in the next.

JOS. R. BRUNK

Cotton Hill Stock Farm, Rochester, Ill.

COMMENT vs. HALF - MORGAN

I received the MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE a few weeks back and I see that some of the breeders are wanting a Half-Morgan Register. I for one do not think that we need a half register. We have had some that were halfbreds, and they sure did not have half the sense the pure bred Morgan had. They were harder to break, to ride and drive. I would not want to buy from a breeder that was registering his halfbreds, because he might forget which was which. I had Grand Champion Stallion at the National Morgan Horse Show held in Iowa in 1939. I have only one of his colts for sale.

Hoping the Half Register falls flat, I remain a Morgan booster,

ALLAN TAYLOR

Hanna City, Ill.

FROM WASHINGTON:

I have had the good fortune to have purchased a registered Morgan Stallion No. 8277, named Jaun. He was bred by Mr. Joseph H. Brunk, of Rochester, Ill., who sold him to Mr. J. N. Wasson of Mercer Island, Wash. Because of ill health Mr. Wasson sold Jaun to me.

Wishing to have all the information available about Morgan horses, I enclose \$1.00 for a year's subscription to your magazine, and if it is possible for you to do it, please start my subscription with last January copy, so I will receive those back numbers right away.

Yours very truly,

WILLIAM R. GOODMAN

5307 Roxbury Street, Seattle, Wash

RELATION OF THE REMOUNT TO RACING

From THE HORSE—published by the American Remount Association

"While racing has been a material factor in the program of the Army Breeding Plan, the Remount Service in turn has been of considerable assistance to the racing industry. Some fifty or sixty stallions are purchased by the Government each year. While some of these could be sold for as much as or more than the Government price, the most of them are horses that are finished for racing, and either lack the pedigree or race record for private establishments that are breeding for race horses. These latter horses have practically no value except to the Government. In this way an 'out' is provided for horses that otherwise would be valueless. There is another, and a little known contribution that the Remount Service has made to racing. A great many prominent breeders and owners, particularly in the West, became interested in the Thoroughbred game through Remount stallions.

"While the racing industry has as its object the production of better race horses, and the Remount Service the production of better riding horses, both have a common interest: 'To Improve the Breed.'"

EDITOR: Improve the *Racing Breed*?

FROM IOWA:

I am enclosing voting blank on the Half-Morgan Register question in favor of a Half-Morgan Register also \$1.00 for renewal on your magazine. Kindly advise expiration date.

Am looking forward to the Mid-West edition. I have recently purchased a black mare sired by Jubilee King out of Rugee, from Walter Saxon, Worthington, Minn. The mare was bred by J. C. Brunk, Springfield, Ill. Am planning to take her to Ames for service to one of the fine Morgan stallions owned by Anton Christiansen of that place. Mr. Christiansen has a very attractive place at Kelly, Iowa.

ADELAIDE NICHOLS

Editor of Vindicator and Republican, Estherville, Iowa

Enclosed find a post office money order for \$2.00 for which please enter my subscription to your magazine for two years.

I am doing this for the reason that I will be in the Army in a few days, and naturally have no idea where I will be in a year from now. Am optimistic enough to hope I'll be somewhere in the United States in two years.

I subscribed to your magazine last spring, the first issue I received—being the one for March and April. I have received only four issues—the last one being for September-October. I enjoy the magazine very much and hate to miss any issues.

Please renew my subscription from the date it expires, that is, with the January-February issue.

O. G. BROKAW

Mechanicsville, Iowa

IN RE OVERSEAS SUBSCRIPTIONS REQUIREMENTS

Editor: Since returns of our Number 2 issue have been received from our paid subscribers in the Services, we have asked that the boys take the matter up with their commanding officers.

These men have *paid* for the magazine, and on the face of it—the magazine is not sealed, is open to quick inspection and deals exclusively with horse matters—it would appear to be as free of dangerous propaganda as any of the other printed material requested by the agencies—books or magazines or even written matter under first class mail.

But, anyway, the returned copy is always marked "Dispatch Prohibited by Order No. 19697," and we will now attempt to send it first class under sealed cover.

A WORD FROM "FIGHTING BAIER!"

Enclosed find vote. The dues will follow. Please don't kick me off. The \$10 will get there.

I am having a time to hold everything together while my son is in the army. He wants the ranch when he gets back. Well, as soon as my boy was gone the lawless bootlegging gang (having first elected their own co. city) took to my outfit. The law sidestepped, so I took to riding the ranch day and night. I am so near blind I can't use the rights on a gun, and bad enough crippled. Can't use my left arm enough to guide a horse, but I've got good horses and a good outfit. I got the first thief in first few days. Made my band and got another (neither one died). Then by refusing all lawyers the state tried to appoint for me, gave me the reins to practice in District Court. I won all my cases and then sued the bunch for the goats they stole. I am riding the ranch now right along and not a bootlegger on it. I learned this—a bunch of lawyers are easier to whip than it is to outwit a bunch of harness horse drivers or jockeys or rodeo boys—and when you whip a bunch of lawyers, to every enemy you make yourself a hundred friends!

Wilburton, Okla.

GEORGE BAIER

FROM SUTTER RANCH KANSAS:

I am enclosing herewith proxy for your meeting of April 5th, 1943.

I have read with interest the discussion relative to "Half Morgan" registry. While I am not much inclined to take part in these kind of discussions, I feel that I might be qualified to say a word relative to the registration of "half Morgans," inasmuch as I have raised Morgans for something over twenty years and long previous to twenty years I have been raising both saddle and work horses.

I picked on the Morgan horse after giving consideration to all the other known breeds because I decided it came nearer being an ideal cow horse if bred to true Morgan conformation than any other breed I could find.

During the twenty years that I have raised Morgans I have kept a Morgan stallion continuously and have bred many saddle type mares and also quite a few work mares to the Morgan stallions. While we have raised some pretty good cow horses from a cross with saddle type mares, principally Dun and Palamino mares, we have also raised good work horses by crossing with the larger work stock. The reason that I mention this is that if I understand your "half Morgan" registration, I cannot see how you could decide which one of these crosses would be eligible to register as "half Morgan" and certainly you would not accomplish anything to register crosses with all types and sizes of horses.

As an illustration of what I am getting at, I bred a large half Belgian half Percheron mare to the same Morgan stallion and raised three colts. This mare would weigh about 1700 pounds. Two of these colts will weigh about 1500 pounds each, one of them being a big horse but built a good deal like his sire except that he is a much larger horse, and the other, a large mare, is built and also looks like her dam except that she is about 200 pounds lighter. The third one is built and also looks like her dam but only weighs about 1000 pounds.

In other words, there is no question in my mind from actual experience in breeding that when you cross two entirely different type and sized horses you are liable to get an offspring that resembles either the one or the other and you are hardly likely at all to get one that is half way between the two crosses.

I have written quite a bit more than I expected to when I started but presume that you have already gathered that I am opposed to a "half Morgan" registry particularly if it is sponsored by the Morgan Horse Club. I would much prefer increasing the costs of registration and transfer so as to keep the club in a good healthy financial condition.

With best wishes to the club and the officers, I am,

Wichita, Kan.

O. E. SUTTER

PROF. BOYCE AND COL. BATTELL

Your inquiry about Professor Boyce has been forwarded to me by Mr. Calvin Lamont of Port Chester, N. Y. I shall be very glad to write about his work with Colonel Battell in verifying history of the Morgan horse, since father passed away March 21st.

Soon after father resigned his professorship of mathematics, physics, astronomy, surveying and botany at Middlebury College in 1896, Colonel Battell and father started out by train, stage and horse and wagon through Canada, the West and South, tracing and verifying the ancestry and history of the Morgan breed. They traveled many thousands of miles. Proved many supposed lines false, but they did succeed in clearing up most of the doubtful and disputed lines of ancestry, though not all.

I remember one humorous occurrence which took place in the South—possibly Kentucky. At noon, with little time for lunch because of close train connections, the Colonel ordered oyster stew and lamb chops. When the stew arrived it was so hot that he couldn't eat it. By the time the stew could be eaten the chops were brought in, but the train was ready to leave. The Colonel solved his problem by wrapping the chops in a paper napkin and dropping them in his pocket. The train was crowded and Colonel Battell found a seat beside a stranger. After the train was under way he engaged his seat-mate enthusiastically on the corpuscular theory of sound (this was the Colonel's pet hobby), and soon he thought of the lunch so rudely interrupted. Fishing his chops from his coat pocket, he offered one to his fellow traveler, and proceeded to eat his with elbows at a wide spread. I tell this, not in disparagement, but to show that Colonel Battell did not care at all for the established customs, and so was considered eccentric. At heart he not only was vitally interested in conservation of, and improvement of the Morgan horse, but the conservation of timber was important to him. So much so that he acquired 31,000 acres of mountain forest land in order to save the spruce from being cut wantonly and wastefully.

Father's work with him was on the Morgan Register, The Stallion Register, the surveying of and marketing of timber, and work on the corpuscular theory of sound—which, by the way, father did not subscribe to! He was with Colonel Battell until his death in 1915. He continued for Middlebury College until 1922, reforesting lands in Ripton and Middlebury, and managing the Bread Loaf Inn property, which is the site of the Middlebury College summer school of English. In 1922 he purchased an apple orchard near Burlington. His memory was nearly perfect until the last. He was 92 last January.

EUGENE F. BOYCE

"MORGAN BLOOD PRICELESS"

We are enclosing under separate cover some prints of Captain Kellogg No. 7647, also one of a mare and colt; both sired by the Captain. This mare, Jeanie Mach has a three-month-old stud colt now which we think it as good or better than the yearling filly.

As to the value of Morgan blood, we think it is priceless in any line, lending that cool, calm, dependable disposition coupled with their alertness.

Captain Kellogg has been used in the mountains; for driving cattle; in the show ring and on exhibition as a high schooled horse and never once has he lost that alertness, or come in with his head down, in fact, he usually carries it a little higher.

We have always been sorry that his services have been to breeds other than Morgan mares, outside of our own, and Mr. Harvey's of Granby, Colo. His colts have that something that distinguishes them from others. I am including a few copies of breeders who have had his services.

I hope this answers your letter, but if it doesn't please let us know and Mr. Watt will write you as soon as he returns from Kentucky.

(MRS.) LAURA WATT

Indian Hills Saddle Horse Farm, McCook, Neb.

CAN SOMEONE ANSWER THIS?

I believe you noted a horse book by Widmer, or some such name, in your last issue. I have passed it along as usual, so may even not have your address correctly.

If this book teaches gaiting and some difficult tricks, please send my copy C.O.D. I would like to teach SILVER DAN 8226 further performance. He already walks about 6½ miles per hour; walks sidewise; canters beautifully; bows and kneels; poses on stand. I would like to teach him waltzing, fox-trotting, the rack-to sit-to climb, etc. As a two-year-old he made nothing of going up in grandstand and traversing the various aisles.

WILBUR W WHITE

N. B. Will you please send a sample copy of the paper to: Mr. C. Plummer, Warden, Folsom Prison, Represa, Calif.; and one to Mr. E. Barber, Represa, Calif.? They are breeding two lovely mares to DAN. If any charge, bill me.

R. 1, Box 135, Folsom, Calif.

FROM ILLINOIS:

Your letter at hand and contents noted. In reply I will say that I have lost all my Morgan registers when the offices at the Carthage Fair Grounds were struck by lightning and the records were burned up. As to the Sawyer horse—the gentleman that wrote me for the history and pedigree of the horse has a Morgan mare whose third dam is by this horse. That was why I wrote you for the history and pedigree of the horse. There is no use for you to put it in THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE. Just copy it and send it to me and I will see that he gets it. He is a new breeder just starting in the business.

I think your plan to put THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE in the quarterly class is all O.K., for it will give you time and you can put out a larger issue.

As to the Quarter Horse—if you can prove that the Quarter Horse, Cock of the Rock that stood in Norwick, N. Y., in 1836 was a Morgan and that the Dutch horse, "Weasel" that stood at St. Johnsbury, Vt., in 1810 was a Morgan, then we have a through claim for the champion sire of the Quarter Horse, Roan Dick, sire of Bob Wade (21¼ sec.) and Jim Miller (21½), both World's record when made.

Black Nick was a beautiful black stud that could run very fast and was raced for years in this part of the state of Illinois, Missouri and Iowa, but it seems that I can find no one that knows his history and pedigree. Every kid in 1880 in schools in this county saw Black Nick. I have asked a lot of the old girls and boys about him and they all had seen him. I will look over the old newspaper files in different parts of the county, back in the 80's, and see what I can find. I think we can get it straight in time.

I have a good picture of the mare, Grey Skip, dam of Lady Queen, (Vol. 2, A.M.R.) that is a fine type of Western Quarter Horse. Lady Queen was her image, only a brown.

WM. E. LOWREY

Box 24, Ferris, Ill.

URGES TWO SHOW CLASSES

I surely appreciate THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE.

In connection with the current discussion on out-crossing the Morgan to get the desired size, don't you think that we will get away from a uniform type and particularly the symmetrical and stylish animal with short ears, alert eyes and imposing neck carriage that we have in the true Morgan type?

I believe some breeders are overlooking the many good qualities of the true type Morgan and placing too much importance on size alone.

It seems Show Committees should have a separate class for "True-Type" Morgans and a class for "Half-Morgans," or "Out-Crossed."

H. W. LITTLE

West Meadow Rd., Rockland, Me

FROM CALIFORNIA DIRECTOR HILL VOTES NO

As a director of the Morgan Horse Club, I wish to state that I am against establishing a Half-Morgan Register in any form.

I hope I may be put on record as taking this stand in any meeting that the directors may hold when they are considering whether to establish a Half-Morgan Register or not.

ROLAND G. HILL

Horseshoe Cattle Company, Gustine, Calif.

Please find enclosed a check for one dollar to cover one year's subscription to your magazine which I would like to have sent to the above address. Being a dyed-in-the-wool lover of Morgan horses for the past twenty years, I was tickled pink when I saw my first issue of your magazine today, and hasten to have my name added to the list of your subscribers.

On second thought, add another subscription and send it to Mr. Albert H. Danforth, Danville, Vt. Mr. Danforth is the owner of two excellent registered Morgan mares, one of which, Polly D., was bred to Mansfield this last summer and the other, Princess D., to one of Mr. Berry's stallions at Sheffield.

Yours for more and better Morgans!

HOWARD J. FARMER

Capt., M.C. Med Det. 102nd Inf., A.P.O. 919, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

I have three half-Morgans, 3 years old. I also have four full-bloods, 1 and 2 years old at this time. I would not want anything but full-blood Morgans.

I bought my colts from Mr. Hill of the Horseshoe Ranch at Gustine, Calif. I am very much pleased with them. They cost me more than three times as much as the half-breeds—a vote against a Half-Morgan Register. For better Morgans! I like THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE very much.

FRANK JOHNSTON

3835 Dozier St., Los Angeles, Calif.

I am enclosing 25c for a copy of your magazine and would like to know if I could also get a back copy of last September or October in which was an account of the National Morgan Horse Show. I am very much interested in Morgan horses, and am anxious to get any and all information I can concerning the breed, as I hope to be able to purchase one or more in the near future, so will appreciate any advice or help you can give or suggest.

E. R. EBERSAL

4571 W. 163rd St., Lawndale, Calif.

Would it be possible for you to send me an extra couple of copies of THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE? I will be glad to pay whatever cost this entails.

I own the stallion, Danspar 8161 (sire Sparbeau 7734; dam, Deana A. 04977) bred by Roland Hill and traces to all three of the most used sons of General Gates.

LESLIE W. HOOPES

Montebello, Calif.

FROM PENNSYLVANIA:

I have not received my copy and I thought I would write and find out if you had quit publishing it or if my subscription had run out or if my name had been overlooked. I would hate very much to miss even one issue as I consider it a very valuable paper.

Also I wrote in quite a while ago to find out the time for the quarter mile in the Justin Morgan class at both the run and the trot. I would still like this information if you can send it to me.

Do the advertising rates published include a picture?

EARL WILLAMAN

Transfer, Pa

PRAYER OF A HORSE

To Thee, My Master, I Offer My Prayer:

Feed me, water and care for me, and when the day's work is done provide me with shelter, a clean dry bed and a stall wide enough for me to lie down in comfort. Talk to me. Your voice often means as much to me as the reins.

Pet me sometimes, that I may serve you more gladly and learn to love you.

Do not jerk the reins, and do not whip me when going up hill.

Never strike, beat or kick me when I do not understand what you want, but give me a chance to understand you. Watch me, and if I fail to do your bidding, see if something is not wrong with my harness or feet.

When I go lame, I may have corns, or a nail in my foot. Take me to a good blacksmith.

Examine my teeth when I do not eat. I may have an ulcerated tooth, and that you know is painful.

If I am not doing well, give me something for worms for they may be taking my strength away.

Do not tie my head in an unnatural position, or take away my best defense against flies and mosquitoes by cutting off my tail, or limit my range of vision by blinders so that I am frightened by what I cannot see.

And finally, O my master, when my useful strength is gone, do not turn me out to starve and freeze, or sell me to some cruel owner to be slowly tortured and starved to death; but do thou, my master, take my life in the kindest way, and your God will reward you here and hereafter.

You will not consider me irreverent if I ask this in the name of Him who was born in a stable. Amen.—*Author unknown.*

FROM MR. O'NEILL:

Received the notice of the meeting for the adoption or rejection of the Half Bred Morgan Plan Guess that it will have to be disposed of sometime and now as well as ever.

After all the Halfbred Plan may have many advantages and at the same time be very harmful especially since we have so many, many types of Morgans now some don't even appear to be any relation to the other and the sad part of it all is, from my point of view the rather off types are much in the majority and again among them there is no uniformity. I believe at the Morgan Horse Farm they are using an influx of Saddle blood (I am sorry to believe, since if anywhere on Earth there should be the old true type possessing the most Old Justin Morgan Blood it should be there) and a Stallion from that combination crossed on some whatnot mare really what would you name the offspring?

At the Woodstock meeting there seemed to be some talk if the plan be adopted not accept the Draft cross and after all the Draft cross is the least dangerous since in two crosses of Pure Morgan Stallions all Draft characteristics will be eliminated excepting possibly a small increase in size—you have fresh blood and haven't done much harm.

Believe Mr. Hills we had better leave bad enough alone we already have too D-m many types or let us put it the other way around we really have no type since it runs all the way from Coach, Standard Bred, Thorobred Saddle Bred, Arab and last and much in the minority MORGAN types.

The true old Morgan Type was really faultless. It had much beauty and distinction, intelligence and stamina, a strong graceful body that stays sound.

I enclose the ballot however. I will try and attend in person however. Am not sure that I can get away. Enclose \$1.00 to complete the transfer of that Filley to that man over at Garrett, Ind.

Thanking you and with kindest personal regards.

Yours for Morgans that need no tags,

C. J. O'NEILL

Manteno, Ill

OUR DEBT TO THE HORSE

By FRANCIS H. ROWLEY

"The Horses of Homer"

What form of life lower than our own has served humanity as the horse has served it? He has played bravely his part on a thousand fields of battle, facing war's appalling horror, and moved to his task by no hope of its glory. He has helped build the world's great cities, their temples, their palaces, their libraries, their universities. He has made possible a million harvests. He has toiled on the railways of the nations. He has been a partner in the rearing of our homes. He has been our swift messenger in joy and sorrow. He has carried us through many happy hours of recreation. He has stood ready to die in our service when we have asked it.

Well may the great Homer have sung of the horses famous at the siege of Troy! Well may Alexander have founded a city in honor of the charger which bore him safely from the perilous field! Well may Cimon have reared beside his own an enduring monument for the fleet-footed mares which won him the chariot races at the Olympian games! Well may nations, as Japan has done, build monuments to the memory of the horses which have fallen in their wars.—*The Cattleman.*

FROM CALIFORNIA:

Enclosed is a one dollar bill for a one year subscription of THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE for Julius Kuck, Montague, Calif.

Julius Kuck, my brother Robert and myself have been breeding Morgan horses for three years. We started on a small scale, when we purchased two mares from Roland G. Hill of Gustine, Calif., and a stallion from J. Sheldon Potter of San Francisco, Calif. The stallion was Northfork 8082, a great grandson of Bennington.

In the fall of 1941 we purchased another stallion from F. R. Dzengolewski of Alhambra, Ill., King Shenandoah 7892, who is a grandson of Bennington.

Morgans Best on Ranch

We are well pleased with our Morgan horses, but we are having a hard time getting the large cattlemen to use our stallions. We have found that our Morgan horses can do a good day's work and still have plenty horse left. They can out-work and are easier to break and train than the other horses on our ranch, which are mostly of Thoroughbred cross.

Our ranch is situated in the Siskiyou Mountains of northern California, where the horses have a chance to really prove themselves.

CHARLES A. SCHULTZ

702 Jackson St., Yreka, Calif.

WANT PICTURES OF PRIZE - WINNING MORGANS

I would like pictures of a half dozen prize-winning Morgans for an album I am filling of Morgans. Am willing to pay for same. Am enclosing picture of Morgan stallion Magistrate and myself. Magistrate left some fine colts here; they make the best of cow horses and rope horses.

ROBERT BEHNER

2785 Main St., Baker, Ore

MAGISTRATE 7232

Chestnut: f. April 9, 1919; bred by U. S. Morgan Horse Farm, Middlebury, Vt.

Sire: Sealskin 6500 (bred by Richard Sellman) by Headlight Morgan 4683.

Dam: Folly 03093 (by Bennington 5693, son of General Gates 666).

SUGGESTS A CHILDREN'S TROPHY

"I am writing to inquire if it would be possible for me to procure an extra copy of the September-October *News*—as I should like very much to send it to my small nieces and nephew, for they were most attentive spectators at the Morgan Show, and I know will be extremely interested in this number of the magazine. These children, in fact, really have become the most enthusiastic admirers of Morgans in our family—having had a beautiful time riding Jarnetta 04735 this summer. And I, myself, feel that the

"Morgan's gentle disposition, patience and fortitude make them almost ideal for children,

both to ride and work around. Also, as in the Jarnetta 04735 case, she is not so tall as to be "unmountable" for a fairly small girl.

"I think the outstanding victory of Miss Brown and Friendly is indeed a case to prove my point—of how very well a Morgan is suited to the riding needs of a girl or boy. And you Morgan Horse people might well consider this aspect I should think.

"The Eastern Saddle Horse Breeders' Association Trophy, competed for by children, mounted on Saddle Bred Horses at various shows throughout the East, has attracted much attention, and I presume has been quite an inducement for parents to buy—and children to ride Saddle Bred Horses.

"So consequently, I should think that something of this sort might be sponsored for Morgans at your Show to illustrate the breed's disposition, tractability, squareness of gaits—but with all—enough dash to look well and make riding interesting for children. I trust that this suggestion may find some merit."

MISS GRACE C. S. MORRIS

Windsor, Vt.

FROM NEBRASKA:

Your letter received in regard to the fees and the Half-Morgan Register.

In regard to the Half-Morgan Register, I do not feel I am in a position to vote either for or against. There are points in favor of it and also points very much against the breed types and characteristics, so I will leave that to you men who know the viewpoint of other breeders.

I will vote for the increase of fees, as the Morgan Club no doubt needs more money to carry on properly.

I am enclosing a folder of my advertising. I have tried to advertise the breed along with advertising the individual. I will be pleased to know what you think of my folder, and the head study for a Morgan head.

Has the MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE been discontinued for the duration?

Trusting this is all for the betterment of The Morgan Horse Club. We are back in North Platte, Nebraska.

GLENN T. WATT

Box 123, North Platte, Neb.

FROM VIRGINIA:

I wish to renew my subscription to your magazine at the end of two more copies which I have coming to me. I also wish you to enter on your subscription list the name of Peter Brown, 1221 Chesapeake Avenue, Hampton, Va. I am enclosing two dollars to cover cost of subscriptions.

ROBERT E. MILLER

213 Claremont Ave., Hampton, Va.

THANK YOU!

Hello, folks. Enclosed find \$1.00. You know darn well what it's for. Start me from January if you can.

GEORGE BAIER

Wilburton, Okla.

LIKES THE MORGAN CROSS

I herewith hand you my check for \$1.00 for a year's subscription: I have been enjoying this magazine very much as the material is both interesting and instructive.

We have been raising a few Morgans since 1928, our foundation stock being two mares bred and raised by the U. S. Morgan Horse Farm of Middlebury, Vt. For the last few years there have not been available to us Morgan stallions, although very good Government Remount Thoroughbred stallions, and Department of Agriculture American Saddle Horse stallions, have been easily available. Therefore our last several colts have been cross-breds and registered in the Morgan Book under Rule II, which expired December 31st last.

We consider these colts and fillies to be exceptionally fine saddle stock, with the typical Morgan qualities to a large extent, but somewhat larger and rangier than average straight Morgan breeding. Will say that the more I see of pureblood Thoroughbreds and pureblood American Saddle Horses, the more I think of the Morgan, but on the other hand I think the Morgan-Thoroughbred cross, and Morgan-American Saddle Horse cross, does produce a very fine if not superior type of saddle horse for the use we put a horse to here. Here we want a horse you can ride in the mountains on an elk hunt, handle cattle with, ride in the parades at Rodeos and celebrations, and perhaps enter in a local horse show or contest. The Morgan fills this bill, and so does this cross.

I have a four year old Morgan-Thoroughbred, viz., Feralind X-05520, and she seems to be made of steel and I believe is the most horse I ever sat on, but is taking longer to thoroughly break than the straight Morgan. She is better than 15 hands 2 inches and over 1100 pounds.

Her dam Rosalind 04742 is 15½ hands and weighs over 1100 pounds. I enclose a picture of Rancher X-05680, a yearling, out of Rosalind and by Hermes Highland Brown No. 14532 A. S. H. R. Rancher is now about 15 hands and weighs about 950 pounds, and is exceptionally tractable in disposition.

I also enclose a picture of Rosalind and her suckling colt, which is a full brother of Rancher.

I also enclose a picture of Firesprite No. X-05521 out of Sprite 04549 and by Fred Brown 11905 A. S. H. R.; this chestnut gelding is now four years old and is a different type than the Rosalind colts: he is chestnut about 15 hands and weighs about 950 pounds.

I believe that Rule II was a justifiable experiment. I believe there is reason to think that as a result of it the Morgan head, disposition, legs, and hardiness will be retained, and at the same time some increase in size and ranginess obtained, which is what the market demands.

Kalispell, Mont.

FORREST C. ROCKWOOD

PART MORGAN FAST

We take pleasure in sending you a picture of our grey gelding, "Silver" who was nine years old July 4, 1942. This gelding is 15.1 in height and will weigh about 1050. The sire of this horse was a half Morgan out of O'Neil's Brown seal and a registered five-gaited saddle mare. The dam was a very tiny small Percheron mare, making this horse one-fourth Morgan plus any Morgan that might have been in the Percheron mare whose breeding we cannot trace.

This horse, Silver, was used two years as a lead pony at the Florida and Chicago tracks and can run as fast as anybody's thoroughbred horse for a quarter of a mile or less. I think this horse can run a quarter in better than 24 seconds. We are well acquainted with the party who used him as a lead pony and he assures us that in the two years he used him that there never was a thoroughbred horse that could get away from him, running a short distance.

This horse in our opinion is an ideal quarter horse type and neck-reins as well as any horse we have ever seen. We feel that he shows the Morgan type practically 100 per cent.

Freeport, Ill.

GEORGE H. CONN

BRUNK GREENWALT BREEDING FARM IN WYOMING

Went to Wyoming to visit the Brunk Greenwalt breeding farm in the Grass Creek country at the edge of the Shoshone Indian Reservation and saw there King Shoshone No. 8548. This well developed young stallion is sired by Plain King No. 7684, the head stallion on the Wyoming breeding farm. King Shoshone 8548. Chestnut, flaxen tail: was f. 1941, breeder L. U. Sheep Co., Worland, Wyo.

MORGAN — FROM ARAB

No less an authority than Lady Wentworth in "Thoroughbred Racing Stock" (1938), page 49, in writing of American horse history stated:

"From 1788 four different 'positive' families were bred from the Arab. These were imported Messenger (inbred to Arab blood) Morgan, Henry Clay and Gold Dust."

FROM KANSAS:

Here's my ballot and I wish to say that I am definitely opposed to any action pertaining to the establishment of a Half-Morgan register.

We should consider that the favorite indoor sport of the American people is to find an "out" for any given set of rules and regulations, so the wisest set of by-laws cannot be fool-proof for such an undertaking as a Half-Morgan register.

Some intelligent arguments have been presented in favor of this new register but if we compare them as to plan of operation we find that they are as widely divided as the pro and con discussion of this subject; therefore, we must keep our wits about us or this matter may easily become the beginning of the end of The Morgan Horse Club and the Horse.

The breeders of Morgan horses have a tremendous task before them and they are off to a splendid start; however, not one of them would think of getting the job done with a Half-Morgan. One bad, registered Half-Morgan will create more ill will, false impressions and unfavorable conversation than an honest breeder can correct in a life time. It would be exactly like knowing about a family for its one black sheep.

Actually it is difficult to imagine how this question arose in the Club for in the final analysis it amounts to nothing more or less than giving a certificate to show proof of some Morgan blood in horses that may answer a long list of descriptions. Another organization has the machinery to supply whatever real or supposed market there may be for a half-as-good-as-the-real-McCoy registration.

Let us plan together for the good of a truly American product, the Morgan horse, and stop at no half-measures to promote this breed. The Morgan horse will do its part, we must do ours. The right combination of horse and sense will get us horsepower made to order. We know that our 1943 transportation difficulties will produce plenty of Half-Morgans. Let's have a look at them and if they bear inspection, then make a place for them.

Finally, what about the term, half-breed? Is it one of contempt or admiration? The answer to that should settle, once and for all, this question about building an annex for the Half-Morgan.

If it is possible, it would be interesting to have the returns of this election published in the next issue of THE MORGAN BULLETIN.

TALIA HOUSE ZUHARS

301 South Sycamore, Wichita, Kan.

"That horse of yours looks poor, Seth," said the stranger, as he slowly mounted a horse at a Western riding stable.

"Well, yer honor, not poor, but unlucky."

"Unlucky! How's that?"

"It's like this, yer honor. Ev'ry mornin' I toss whether he has a feed o' corn or I have a glass o' whisky. An' he has lost for five mornin's runnin'."

YOU CAN'T BEAT THE MORGAN!

Major F. L. Hamilton in an article on "The Remount Service Plan" stated:

"The Remount Services mostly Thoroughbred stallions with civilian agents.

"This is done with the firm conviction that the Thoroughbred is the proper foundation from which to develop light horses for any particular or general use."

FROM MASSACHUSETTS:

I am enclosing my signed proxy. I have indicated that I am against the establishment of a "half Morgan" register.

I have not indicated my choice under item 2 and 3 but you can fill in as you see fit.

You are in closer touch with what would happen to the financial standing of the Club if there was or was not an increase in registration and transfer fees, but frankly I have felt they have been rather low in the years past and have always felt that if anyone was planning to register or transfer a Morgan, they would be willing to pay higher fees for the privilege. Of course, the change in fees may possibly affect the number of horses registered and decrease the income rather than increase.

I cannot see that the establishment of a "half Morgan" register will in any way add to the quality of the Morgans that are bred, in fact I have never been very fond of those horses that have not been bred under Rule 1. I fully realize that my opinion will carry very little weight and the majority of the members have their minds made up, so it's a case of a show down and if it is put through, it will merely mean the ultimate disintegration of the breed.

Although I have been unable to attend Morgan meetings for the last two or three years, my interest in the breed has never waned, but unfortunately, I am working long hours and do not have time after work to campaign against it, but I am sure that Mrs. Ela with whom I talked last evening, will do a little campaigning in and around Weston, and also with some of the Vermont members.

I am enclosing a letter to the Club which if you find of any value to you, I will be glad to have read at the meeting.

RICHARD C. HILL

Hudson, Mass.

I am voting by proxy against the establishing of a "half Morgan" register.

It is my opinion that the establishment of this type of register will not help the Morgan Horse Club financially nor increase the interest in the breed, and I certainly hope that it is not established by the Morgan Horse Club.

RICHARD C. HILL

Sudbury, Mass.

I am interested in Morgans as I have a half-Morgan 2-year-old colt by Abbott 7704.

ROBERT G. BEAN

Lone Oak Farm, Florence, Mass.

FURNAS HAS BREEDING STOCK FOR SALE

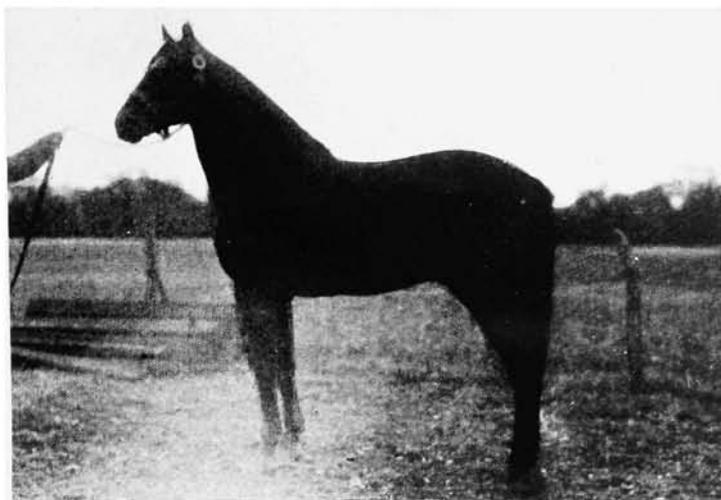
Paul J. Furnas of Medig, Pa., writes he has upward of a dozen of his Morgan breeding stock for sale.

SCRUB : GRADE

The *Western Horseman* states:

"A scrub is a mongrel horse of no known breeding and following the type of no recognized breed.

"A grade is a half or quarter bred animal. A Western grade is half or quarter bred from some recognized breed out of Mustang mares."



CRAWFORD 7795

For some years at Mr. C. E. Burton's farm, Coffeetown, Kan. replaced by Abbott 7704 and recently returned to U. S. Morgan Horse Farm, Middlebury, Vt., the owner.

Chestnut; f. 1932.

Sire: Mansfield 7255 by Bennington 5693.

Dam: Endora 0672 by General Gates 666.

DIRECTOR HILL WRITES:

I am sorry not to have taken care of the Morgan affairs before; we have had so many changes to make in conditions here since December 11th, I just haven't got to it.

I think the Morgan Horse Bulletin is a fine idea. I do not need an adv. in it, but enclosed is my check for twenty-five dollars to help it along, and a list of a few names to send it to. If you need some more help on it, let me know.

We were getting lined up pretty good out here to have a good showing of Morgans at a number of our best fairs but now I do not know how we will come out. Help is getting hard to get. A small breeder who takes care of his own horses will likely show, but those of us who have to get help to fit our horses will likely not show. I had told other breeders here that I would send out a full string for the breeding classes to help make a good show and to be sure that the classes were filled. I had also intended to get a class for Morgan Stallions to be shown as Western reined stock horses. This would attract as much attention out here as your Justin Morgan Class does in the East if it were well filled. I am afraid we cannot spare our men though that are good enough to get a stallion ready for this kind of a class. It takes lots of time and work to make a good Western show horse.

20 Elmer Brown Morgans to California

This may be news for you. Mr. Otto McClure, 500 S. Artesia Street, Santa Ana, California, bought part of Elmer Brown Morgans and has them now at Santa Ana, Calif. They consist of two brood mares, six two-year-old mares, three yearling mares, one three-year-old stallion, five two-year-old stallions and three yearling stallions. The two-year-old stallion and yearlings are for sale. I bought one of the two-year-olds to develop and try on a few mares. He is Brown Knox. Sired by Senator Knox 6132, by Knox Morgan 4677 by Mountaineer Morgan 4469, and from a dam by Romanesque 7297 with a second dam by Linsley 7233. He is a very promising colt. The other stallions are all sired by Tehachapi Allen 7910, a very good son of Querido 7370. Several of these colts are fine prospects for range men to raise cow horses from. They are the right type.

If I can be of any assistance to you call on me and I will do what I can.

ROLAND G. HILL

STALLION OWNERS

In addition to farms and owners advertised in the MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE we list the following:

In Massachusetts:

Charles E. Horton, Sunnyfields Farm, Bradford, Mass:

Lippitt Scofield 8225.

Billy Croydon 8460.

FROM NEVADA:

A short time ago I received a copy of T. M. H. and I'm enclosing to you a check for one year's subscription to it. On page 32 I see reference to Volume VI of the register being gotten ready for distribution. As to price please explain. As printed in the Bulletin it says *without cloth binding price*. I have the other five volumes in a good binding and would like the sixth in bound form. Also on the same page you wrote me as saying "we work horses but we seldom ride them." That should have read *mares*. Also let me know what are your advertising rates. I think that we breeders should at least carry a small ad if for no other reason than just to help it along. If we can make it strong it will later help us. Nearly all the leading breeds of livestock have their own publications and it helps them.

Disposition Highly Important

I have a few words to say in regard to disposition in horses. It has been shown me on many occasions by a lot of horses that if you don't get a horse with the right disposition, no matter how good his conformation you still have not got a very satisfactory using horse. I could name many specific instances where this has been true. It is pretty hard to tell the true disposition of a stallion that has not been properly handled, but as for a brood mare—shun that flighty or cranky mare as if she were a plague for you are almost sure to get that kind of colts from her. While there are good horsemen that can handle them and get fairly satisfactory service from them, remember it is only a small per cent of present day users of horses that will qualify as good horsemen. If one buys a horse for pleasure use, it should be a horse that it is a pleasure to use and not a temperamental brute that requires an expert to handle.

CLARK RINGLING

Box 188, Lovelock, Nev.

"SHORT HORSES" FROM ILLINOIS

Billy Anson of Texas, the dean of Quarter Horse breeders, wrote:

"I have heard a dozen different accounts of Steel Dust from men who knew him, all differing except in one particular, and there is little doubt that he came from Southern Illinois, the home of many well-known 'short horses.' My own stallion, Harmon Baker, very successful in his younger days in quarter-mile and three-eighth races, and most successful as a sire, came from the same locality."—*The Cattleman*, December, 1941.

EDITOR: The term "Short Horse" has been applied to the Quarter Horse—does this mean a short, quick stride, or a short back, lacking a vertebrae?

The Arabs and many Morgans actually are shy a vertebrae—should they also be designated as "short horses," since the Thoroughbred does not possess this characteristic?

SEVEN MORGANS SOLD

The horses recently offered and sold by mail. Bids were delivered to the following purchasers

Merle D. Evans, Massillon, Ohio, Jason 8248, gelding; Merle D. Evans, Massillon, Ohio, Jay 8247, gelding; Merle D. Evans, Massillon, Ohio, Joel 8244, gelding; Merle D. Evans, Massillon, Ohio, Johnson 8243, gelding; G. B. Farnam, Wallingford, Conn., Donna Della X-05590, Half-Morgan; H. A. Dye, Gloversville, N. Y., Hypatia X-05595, Morgan Nomus; Miss DeVere Porter, Crown Point, N. Y., Kora (Unreg.)

COTTON HILL STOCK FARM

Where Registered Morgans Have Been Bred
For Sixty Years

The following outstanding Morgan Sires of
today were bred here:

JUBILEE KING 7570
ALLEN KING 7090
RED VERMONT 7893
KEN CARMEN 7815
SQUIRE BURGER 8282
And Many Others

The home of **Jubilee DeJarnette** and **Knox Morgan** in their later years.

A FEW YOUNG STALLIONS FOR SALE

Jos. R. Brunk

ROUTE 2 ROCHESTER, ILL.

VERMONT SAYS NO!

To express our opinion upon the idea of half blood registry we are strongly opposed to it. We have been raising registered animals and also half bloods and we find they don't possess the same characteristics. We feel the Half Blood Registry will disrupt the old original breed of Morgans.

R. L. BERRY & SONS

Sheffield, Vt.

HOW LONG WILL BREEDS REMAIN POPULAR

The question uppermost in the minds of horsemen is—"How long will certain breeds and colors remain popular?" The only reply is—the Arab must have been popular for three thousand years or there would not be any today. The Morgan has been cherished for nearly as long as the United States has existed. The Palomino has been well liked in California since the days of Portola. The Macedonians of ancient Greece favored Pintos and even the Indians liked them very much. We show too much ego in believing their popularity will end with this generation. We were told during the mechanical promotion period that the day of the horse was done, but remember, we were only told that and mostly by people who had something else to sell us.—From Editorial in *The Western Horseman*.

LOOKING FOR A MARKET

The Arizona Livestock Market Is Reached by the Arizona STOCKMAN MAGAZINE. Your sales message in the STOCKMAN will reach 170 towns and cities in Arizona alone, besides the circle of the seven Western States. When you have **Beef or Dairy Cattle, Sheep or Goats, Horses or Mules, or Hogs** for sale, or trade, or want to buy, the STOCKMAN is your magazine. Subscription, \$1.50 a year.
216 HOME BUILDERS BUILDING, PHOENIX, ARIZONA

"HEADLIGHT MORGAN" HISTORY

Your letter requesting further information Re Headlight Morgan 4683.

I am enclosing a letter from Mr. George Baier, Wilburton, Okla., and hope you can get a little from it.

Mr. Baier is an old timer nearing ninety years old and quite a Morgan man in his own right.

I wrote Elmer Brown's brothers at Halstead (Elmer having died about a year ago) but have heard nothing from them and hardly expect to, as they are both rather old.

The best information I have is that Headlight Morgan was at Halstead a short time, whether owned then by the Government then or not, I cannot say. But am sure it was as a Government owned horse he went to Richard Sellman in Texas, where he died at a ripe old age.

He was the sire of the Famous Champion, Tom Mix's movie horse, and W. R. Hearst owned at least one of his sons on his ranch in California named Joe Bailey where he sired some of the best present day stallions on the west coast.

Sorry I cannot give you anything on the breeder of Headlight but Elmer Brown was very prominent in the Morgan Horse game for many years at Halstead Ks where he and two of his brothers all single men lived all their lives on the same farm where they were born more than seventy years ago and it was indeed a pleasure to visit with him and get some real knowledge and inspiration from his experiences with Morgans. His breeding stock is widely scattered, his brother having disposed of most of the band of thirty brood mares, eighteen going in one lot to the Government Indian School at Chilocco, Okla., where they have three Government owned stallions. Quite a lot of the young stock from Browns went to California. I haven't a thing to offer you on the rumor you mention of the four thousand horse.

Please accept my compliments on the magazine you are putting out, you are doing a real work and I know it is done not without a lot of trouble and effort.

H. J. RANKIN

Wellington, Kan.

FROM C. G. STEVENSON:

"You will note from the enclosure that an old has-been is 'agin' having a half-Morgan register. My guess is, very careful consideration should be given to the opinions of men now active as producers of Morgans. Mr. Earle Brown will become a very big operator if things go to his liking. In my opinion, his views should be given careful consideration. Roland Hill also has some very decided notions, most of which are sound.

"Personally, the intelligence and dispositions of the Morgans have appealed to me above all else. Here in this section, there are quite a number of half-Morgans, the get of our stallions and from all kinds of mares, some of which are pretty good kind of horses, but with few exceptions they do not have that real friendly Morgan disposition.

"You, of course, have seen the Morgan Colt picture in the last *National Geographic*—the filly holding her head to one side for a kiss. Mrs. Stevenson, *with little effort*, taught many of our Morgans to do those little things. Since our Morgans are gone, she has tried her skill on other horses we have around the place (ordinary farm kind of horses) without any luck. We have one Morgan filly left—she has more intelligence than all the others on the place put together.

"Dispositions, plus their classly looks are the factors which can be promoted to the limit—people with money can be educated on those outstanding factors and will pay Morgan producers big money for producing that kind. If more time is devoted to promoting and advertising the disposition and intelligence factors instead of so much about type—greater progress and prosperity will result in my humble opinion.

"Hope everything is on the up with you. Kind regards."

C. G. STEVENSON

Des Moines, Ia.

A NON-MEMBER BALLOT

I, William J. Froese, of 717 W Cherokee, Enid, Okla., a non-member of the Club but interested in the Morgan breed vote against the establishment of a Half-Morgan Register.

How many sportsmen would be interested in a Half-Irish Setter, or Half-Cocker Spaniel? The idea is ridiculous of having a half breed of anything, including a Half-Milch Cow.

Let me know when my subscription expires as I enjoy the magazine very much.

WILLIAM J. FROESE

FROM NEW YORK:

As yet I have not received my November-December copy of THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE. I thought that due to the paper shortage, there had been some delay in getting this issue off the press. I feel that perhaps my name has been overlooked.

I look forward so much to receiving THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE that I am really disappointed at not getting the last copy.

MISS SUNNY DUNLAP

Midwood Road, Babylon, L. I., N. Y.

FROM KANSAS:

Find enclosed a check for five dollars for my membership dues, also proxy.

I'm very much opposed to the Half-Morgan Registry for this reason. The Half Breed people with their Half Breed Morgans will or would crowd out the good characteristics of the true Morgan horse. I'd advise fighting it to a finish.

I would be in favor of increasing the registration fees, also transfer fees. We are really getting Morgans (Pure) started in this part of the state and think the good work will continue.

H. H. HERST

Argonia, Kan.

FROM INDIANA:

Will you please send me one year's subscription to THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE? I am enclosing a check for \$1.00 which I understand is the yearly subscription rate.

RALPH EBY

R. R. 2, Bourbon, Ind.

FROM WASHINGTON:

I recently joined the Morgan Horse Club. I think in September anyway I received one issue of your magazine, July and August. I thought members received it, but whether they do or not I would like the magazine.

I'm enclosing \$1.00 for it. If you could start the subscription from there, I would sure appreciate it, as I would hate to miss an issue. That's if you have any old copies.

JACK HUDSON

Box 1662, Grand Coulee, Wash.

FROM FLORIDA—A TWO-YEAR SUBSCRIPTION:

I wish to renew my subscription for two years to THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE. I enjoy it very much.

PETER W. STRAUB

Kissimmee, Fla.

A GOOD ONE IN WASHINGTON

Mrs. Mildred S. Garvin, P.O. Box 2148, Spokane, Wash., sends on a snapshot of her very good-looking, young Morgan stallion—Gallant Knight X8144, brown, foaled 1938. Breeder: J. C. Jackson, Harrison, Mont. Sire: Chief Bugler 6992 by Tyece 5659. Dam: Topsy 3rd (by Hal Mercury, Jr., 6819).

STANERIGG STABLES

REGISTERED MORGANS

STALLIONS

Romax Light 7907

(Chestnut)

Bred by Elmer Brown

Sire: Romanesque 7297.

Lippitt Moro Ash 8084

(Dark chestnut)

Bred by Robert L. Knight

Sire: Lippitt Moro 7622.

Patrick Geddes

(Eligible for Registry)

(Golden sorrel with flaxen mane and tail)

REGISTERED MORGANS

Available this spring:

Four yearlings (chestnut).

One two-year-old gelding (chestnut).

One three-year-old stallion (bright sorrel with flaxen mane and tail).

A. G. Ruthven

Ann Arbor, Mich.

Registered Morgan Stallions

For SALE

MOUNTAIN SILVER SHIEK 8280

Gray—5 Years—15.3 Hands—Weight 1150 Lbs.

Mountain Shiek 8033 and Troubadour of Willowmoor 6459
Breeding

McBOY 8505

Red bay—4 Years—15 Hands—Weight 900 Lbs.

McAllister 7896 by Jubilee King 7570 and Go Hawk 7457
Breeding

SANDY BOY 8506

Red Sorrel, Flaxen Mane and Tail—3 Years—15 Hands
Weight 900 Lbs.

McAllister 7896 and Go Hawk 7457 Breeding

SUTTERDON 8507

Black—2-Year-Old

Doc Sutter 8072 by Tehachapi Allen and Go Hawk
Breeding

Write

Thomas T. Brunk

R. R. 3

Springfield, Ill.

REPORT OF SPECIAL MEETING OF MEMBERS OF MORGAN HORSE CLUB

A special meeting of the members of The Morgan Horse Club, Incorporated, as provided in Article V of the By-laws thereof was held, 90 Broad Street, New York, N. Y., on Monday, April 5, 1943, at 11 A. M. for the following purposes:

1. To consider and vote upon the question—
Shall the Club establish a registration for animals, only one of whose parents is a registered Morgan. This is popularly termed "half Morgan registration."
For. 21; Against. 86.
2. To consider and vote upon increasing the fees at present in force for REGISTRATION in the American Morgan Horse Register.

Registration Fees

At present the registration fee for an animal registered in the year in which it is foaled is \$2. to members and \$4. to non-members. For an animal registered after the year in which it is foaled, \$5. to members and \$10. to non-members.

The Executive Committee feels that the maximum increase in these fees which might be made would be for animals registered in the year in which they are foaled, increasing the amounts from \$2. and \$4. to \$3. and \$5., respectively, leaving the fees of \$5. and \$10. for animals registered after their first year as at present.

3. To consider and vote upon increasing the fees at present in force for recording TRANSFERS of ownership in the American Morgan Horse Register.

Transfer Fees

The present transfer fees are—if recorded within six months of date of sale 50c to members and \$1. to non-members. If

recorded after six months from date of sale \$1. to members and \$2. to non-members.

The Executive Committee feels that the maximum to which these fees might be increased would be for transfers recorded within six months of date of sale \$2. to members and \$4. to non-members. If recorded after six months from date of sale \$3. to members and \$5. to non-members.

A large vote was cast for the increase.

FROM MICHIGAN:

We were pleased to notice in the October issue that Lippitt Miss Nekomia won the 100-Mile Trail Ride, as we have a filly out of Lippitt Moro Ash, whose sire was Lippitt Moro 7622. The photo of this mare resembles our colt. We are very enthusiastic readers of your magazine.

So. Lyon, Mich.

ST. CLAIR HAMLIN

FROM IOWA:

Enclosed find a post office money order for \$2.00 for which please send me your magazine for two years.

I am doing this for the reason that I will be in the Army in a few days and naturally have no idea where I will be in a year from now. Am optimistic enough to hope I'll be somewhere in the United States in two years.

I subscribed to your magazine last spring—the first issue I received being the one for March and April. I have received only four issues—the last one being for September-October. If there are any November-December issues available, I should like to receive one. I enjoy the magazine very much and hate to miss any issues. Please renew my subscription from the date it expires, that is, with the January-February issue.

Mechanicsville, Ia.

O. G. BROKAW

Highest Quality Stock at Upwey Farms Woodstock, Vermont

We are looking forward to a good crop of foals this season from our fine lot of Brood Mares—some of these mares are outstanding in blood lines, in quality, and in performance.

See our page advertisement of our Morgan Brood Mares—18 in number—in the September-October issue (Volume II, No. 1) of THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE.

Our Morgan sires, **UPWEY KING PEAVINE** and **UPWEY PRINCE TARIK** have produced topnotch individuals—we have some that are outstanding for sale—one is a prize-winning stallion by **PEAVINE**—just 4 years old.

Facing a substantial increase in our stock and the necessary care required, we have some

YOUNG MORGANS FOR EARLY SALE

SUFFOLK - PUNCH ENGLISH DRAFT Have Proved Superior for
Farm Work

SUFFOLK SHEEP Are Growing in Popularity

We Have a Pair of Young Suffolk - Punch Mares For Sale, and Also Young
Rams From Our Prize - Winning Stock

UPWEY FARMS
WOODSTOCK VERMONT

THE L. U. SHEEP COMPANY, INC.

Mrs. Helen Brunk Greenwalt announces purchase from Robert Tynan, Stella, Neb., of the royally bred, coming three-year-old stallion Senator Graham 8361 for the L. U. Sheep Company, Worland, Wyo. This ranch, comprising over 200,000 acres, located in Hot Springs, Washakie, Park and Fremont counties in the Big Horn Basin of Wyoming, is in the heart of the cattle and sheep country. The L. U. Sheep Company run 17,000 Rambouillet sheep and 1400 pure bred Aberdeen Angus cattle, being probably the largest breeder of these cattle in Wyoming. This ranch was built up to its present size largely through the efforts of David Dickie, a native of Scotland and one of the pioneer stock-raisers of Wyoming, who was president of the Company from the date of its incorporation in 1899 till his death in 1935, and is now buried in a beautiful mausoleum built on top of a high mountain overlooking the ranch headquarters. Through the very capable and untiring efforts of Robert Dickie, nephew of David Dickie, who is horse foreman, this ranch is rapidly becoming one of the largest Morgan breeding establishments in the United States. Realizing a definite need for improvement in saddle horses suitable for handling ranch stock and capable of standing up to the severe conditions of the mountainous country in which the ranch is situated, David Dickie was fortunate in obtaining a group of mares sired by a son of the noted race horse Dan Patch, as well as a few pure bred throughbred mares. Dan Patch carried numerous Morgan crosses through both his sire and dam.

At this time he selected Flyhawk 7526 from the Morgan stock of the late Joseph C. Brunk in Illinois, and Linspar 7508 a grandson of General Gates 666 from Elmer Brown in Kansas. Flyhawk was returned to the Brunk farm in Illinois in his fourteenth year, was shown and won Grand champion Morgan Stallion at 1940 and 1941 Illinois State Fairs.

From crosses of daughters of each of the stallions and the mares mentioned above, an excellent group of brood mares were selected and registered. Following the death of David Dickie in 1935 they continued using registered Morgan sires, having recently sold Plains King 7684 used the past few years in the stud, to Central American party for shipment with group of Brunk stock from Illinois.

In addition to Senator Graham 8361, another outstanding three year old stallion, Highview King 8339, shares the stud honors. Highview King was undefeated in his classes as a foal and a yearling at the 1940 and 1941 Illinois State fairs.

At the present time there are 70 head of Morgan saddle horses used in handling the ranch stock, and the L. U. horses have established a reputation for stamina, courage, intelligence and the ability to "take it" in a country which is a severe test of all these qualities most desirable in a horse.

Worland, Wyo.

MORGAN SHOW RECEIVES NATIONAL ATTENTION

The April, 1943, issue of *The National Geographic Magazine* on page 412 brings attention to our all-purpose breed of Morgans by means of the full page in color picturing the Brood and Foal Class in the ring at South Woodstock on the occasion of the National Morgan Horse Show last year. The eight mares and their foals made a great picture and is almost the same scene as shown on the cover of the September-October (Volume II, No. 1) issue of THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE.

There is also a picture of Charles Hall, manager of Earle Brown's Burklyn Farms, near East Burke, Vt., kissing a young Morgan.

A picture in color is shown of Clarence G. Day of Woodstock, a wood carver, at work in his shop.

These and many other illustrations in color, and in black and white, are included in the leading article entitled "The Long River of New England," by Albert W. Atwood, and photographer, B. Anthony Stewart.



FLYHAWK 7526

Is Senior Stallion at

HIGH VIEW FARM

HELEN BRUNK GREENWALT, Owner

PAWNEE, ILL.

Our sales of Morgans have been excellent this past year and continue very active.

We have the connections and facilities to meet any call for Morgans, if we cannot supply you from our own stables.

*Write Us Your Morgan Requirements
Stock Always For Sale*

High View Farm

HELEN BRUNK GREENWALT, Owner

PAWNEE, ILL.

*One of the Oldest and Largest Morgan Horse
Establishments in the Middle West*

TOM MIX'S HORSE A MORGAN

I'd like to run a half page ad in the MORGAN MAGAZINE and am enclosing check for twelve dollars (\$12.00). Also my 1943 subscription and a subscription to be mailed to—A C Roger Haney, Squadron H. Group 2, Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala.

Under separate cover you will find enclosed photographs of Flyhawk 7526—our senior stallion—and Betty Barr 05103 which I would like both printed in the ad as representative types of our breeding stock. Any suggestions you may have will be appreciated and I will be glad to take care of any other expense regarding the ad.

Also, enclosing pictures of pair of Morgan mares, hitched to sleigh—Ann Royal 05322 and Annabella 05444—winners of saddle and harness—as well as breeding classes in the Mid-West. Recently sold to Martin W Littleton, New York City.

Including some notes for publication if you care to use them. Did you read the article in December issue of *The Cattleman*—regarding the death of the late film actor, Tom Mix's famous horse Tony? It failed to mention that Tony was originally foaled at Richard Sellman's Ranch in Texas and was a son of Headlight Morgan. This would make good reading for THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE. If you don't have the article which is quite interesting, I'd be glad to clip it and mail it to you.

Some few years ago, Tom Mix, in connection with a circus, exhibited the original Tony here at Springfield, and I recall seeing him and noticed especially the knots on his knees that had been broken in a film scene.

We have had a very active Morgan year, sales have been numerous and profitable.

My brother, J. R. Brunk and I recently sold a group of seven head to Hector A. Pivoral, Guatemala, Central America—five stallions and two mares—included in the group are (from J. R. Brunk) Juzan, 8-year-old stallion; Tarron, 7-year stallion; Congo, 2-year stallion; McJoy, 4-year mare and a yearling mare.

(From Helen Brunk Greenwalt) Flying Colors, yearling stallion by Flyhawk and Plains King 7684; 6-year stallion from L. U. Sheep Company, Worland, Wyo. The group has not been shipped yet on account of war conditions.

HELEN BRUNK GREENWALT

High View Farm, Pawnee, Ill.

FROM ILLINOIS:

We are the owners of a nine-year-old grey gelding, part Morgan, that we think is about as fine a saddle gelding as is owned in the central west. He is a good enough type to be a full blooded Morgan and, in fact, I think he is a much better type than many purebred Morgans I have seen.

Since you are having a lot of agitation about a half breed stud book, it seems to me that the publication of a few illustrations of the influence of the Morgan in half breeds or grades might be very helpful.

If you want a photo of this horse for such purposes, will be glad to supply it upon request without charge.

GEORGE H. CONN, D.V.M.

Freeport, Ill.

VOTE

The final count, amounted to 116 proxies received:

For half Morgan registration	22
Against half Morgan registration	93
For increase in registration fees	96
Against increase in registration fees	16
For increase in transfer fees	104
Against increase in transfer fees	9

CHRISTENSEN MORGAN HORSE FARM AMES, IOWA

AT STUD

ILLINI 8425

Sire: ROSCO MORGAN 7573

Dam: MADELL 05217

Color: Chestnut. Light mane and tail.

DAN DEE 8151

Sire: KING SHENANDOHA 7892

Dam: RARETTE 04885

Color: Bay with small star.

ILLAWANA DON 8381

Sire: CAPTAIN RED 8088

Grand Champion National Show, Des Moines, 1939.

Dam: GILDIA 04614

Color: Black. Not many like him. Kind that can win.

FOR SALE

BLACK LABRADOR RETRIEVERS

Trained by Orin Benson for both land and water under actual hunting conditions. Dam has won 15 firsts in nine registered field trials. Best of breeding A.K.C. Registered. Farm raised. Fourteen-months-old.

For Further Particulars Communicate With
ANTON CHRISTENSEN, Owner
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Crabapple Valley Farms

Breeders of Registered Morgan Horses

At Stud:

HAWK JIM—AMHR NO. 7689.

CAPTOR—AMHR NO. 7789.

CAPITAN—AMHR NO. 05930.

CLARENCE MANN,
R.F.D. No. 2,
Beach City, Ohio,
Manager.

MERLE D. EVANS,
Owner.

Orders Now Being Accepted for the 1943

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(Postpaid)

Send 10c for sample copy of "Palomino Horses," a monthly magazine devoted exclusively to the Golden Horse—many of them Morgans.

**PALOMINO HORSE BREEDERS
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Box 79

Mineral Wells, Tex.

(A Member-Owned, Non-Profit Association)

ALOHA — FROM HAWAII!

I am O.K. The weather is ideal in temperature. I'll admit this is a fairly good place overseas. I really don't like Hawaii well enough though to want to live here otherwise. I must say I like the famed Waikiki Beach.

This is not an ideal place for horses because the soil lacks minerals. There are light horses, but I have not seen any sign of Morgan in those I saw. There are not many horses here. Mostly pineapple, sugar cane and some cattle managers on the plantations and ranches ride them.

I am sending a money order of \$1.50 for THE MORGAN HORSE MAGAZINE. I haven't received it for a while, so you might send a couple back copies. Sending also my picture. "Aloha"—means love, hello, goodbye, etc., and any pleasant greeting.

PVT. LEO J. BURKARD

Co. G. 21st Inf. A.P.O. 24. c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

NEWS REPORT FROM IOWA:

The Christensen Morgan Horse Farm is located six miles south of Ames, Iowa, Anton Christensen, owner.

Bought first Morgan in 1941. Now Iowa's largest breeder of Morgan horses. Now own twelve registered Morgans, three stallions, six brood mares and three fillies.

The stallions are: Illini 8425, chestnut, with light mane and tail; sired by Roscoe Morgan. A grandson of General Gates; also a grandson of Spar Hawk 6874. On the dam's side Madell 05217 he is grandson of the great Jubilee King. You will find in Jubilee King's breeding such sires as Go Hawk, Sunny Hawk and Billy Herod.

Dan Dee 8151. Bay with small star. Sire, King Shenandoah, grandson Bennington; dam, Rarette, grandson Jubilee King. You will find no X in his breeding.

Illawana Don 8381. Black. Expect him to be one of our top sires. Excellent individual of very best blood lines.

Mr. Christensen bought his Morgans in Illinois and Iowa, carefully selecting good breeding of a very fine band of Morgan horses.

CAPT. HARVEY P. WINGATE WRITES:

Greetings from this very busy School of Military Government, where we work all day and most of the night.

The last number of your MORGAN HORSE was wonderful—my congratulations—and I haven't forgotten I owe you some money for an Ad—. I'll send it soon when I get myself straightened out with this Army business.

Signal Corps, School of Military Government, Charlottesville, Va.

FROM MINNESOTA:

Please send me your magazine for one year starting with the one that tells about the show and sale you had last fall, if possible.

Also send some of my neighbors a sample copy. Their names are: Casper Hokeness, George Redenius, Jake Miller, Alfred Renshaw, Calvin Ebling, Robert Thom.

Rushmore, Minn., is the address of all of them. Also please send one to Jene Stower, Worthington, Minn. These men all have saddle horses and are much interested in them.

I wanted to buy a Morgan mare but could not find one, but I did get a fine Arabian mare, 15 hands high; weight, 1000 lbs., or a little more.

I would like to have her bred this spring. Do you know of a Morgan stallion in this southwest corner of Minnesota?

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On page 37 of this number, quoting the letter from Lieut.-Col. C. E. Davis, Colorado Springs, the line, "I did see one nice Morgan stallion at Monte Vista, Colo.," has reference to our horse. This might interest you. We stood him at Monta Vista, season 1942, and he made a good name for himself at the "Stampede" there.

Will you please change my address from the At Last Ranch, Pagosa Springs, Colo., to 165B, The Maryland Hotel, Pasadena, Calif.? If it is possible to get more of the above issue, I am enclosing check in the sum of \$1.00 for which send as many copies (one, two, three or four) as possible, and oblige.

LUCY S. TURNER

At Last Ranch, Pagosa Springs, Colo.

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RANGER L. NO. 7635

Chestnut: f. Feb. 29, 1928.

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Sire: Linsley 7233, by General Gates 666 and Sunflower Maid 02401 by Headlight Morgan 4683.

Dam: Lady Spar 04515, by Sparhawk 6874, bred by J. J. Lynes, Iowa, and May Hudson 01/26 by Dude Hudson 5654.

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