

# PRICE AND PRODUCT CHANGES FOR 1968-1969 CATALOGUE

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## Page 1

1-C out of print, replaced with PIGEON GUIDE by Major Claude Hill, cloth bound, 250 pages, 5"x8", 109 photos mostly in color of all breeds **\$3.98**

A new book we are offering—**BIRD NAVIGATION** by G. V. T. Matthews, based on the latest findings, regarding the flight of many species of birds. 197 pages, 5"x8", drawings, **paper \$2.45, cloth, \$7.00**

## Page 3

9-C ----- **\$6.95 per copy**

## Page 4

14-C this copy is still available and a new edition is expected soon. No price available yet.

## Page 5

20-C A new section on widowhood loft has been added.

## Pages 6-7

The new price for the OLD HAND books volume 1 to volume 8 will be \$4 each. Any five of OLD HAND books will be \$19.25, any eight \$30.50 or all twelve for \$45.75.

A new OLD HAND book **MANAGEMENT OF THE RACING PIGEON**, volume 12, \$4 is ready for mailing.

There will be two **COLLECTED WORKS OF OLD HAND**.

Volume 1 as has been listed previously, see page 8, it will be \$20.00.

Volume 2 will be for the last six books by OLD HAND including the new one to be released, it will be the same price as volume 1 \$20.00, both at the same time \$35.00

## Page 8

19-C Volume 23 is now ready \$11 per copy.

## Page 9

J-7 **MEN'S BELT BUCKLE GOLD PLATED** with blue bar homer. **\$3.50**

J-8 **MEN'S TIE TACK** with chain to fasten in buttonhole of shirt with blue bar homer. ----- **\$2.00**

J-13 no longer available.

J-14 no longer available.

## Page 10

1969 **SQUILLS** and **STUD BOOK** are ready.

1969 **BRITAIN'S YEAR BOOK** is sold out. 1970 will be available before end of year at same price.

## Page 11

**BARKER'S PIGEON RACING 40C** The new price will be \$2.00 per copy.

Dr. Leon F. Whitney has written a new book and it is expected that it will be available in September.

**THE BASIS OF BREEDING RACING PIGEONS \$6.00.**

Another new book by Jan Aerts of Belgium **PIGEON RACING ON A HIGHER LEVEL \$6.00** is also expected to be released in September.

## Page 12

46-C ----- **\$4.00 per copy**  
1969 **DIARY** available **\$1.25 per copy**

## Page 13

51-C ----- **\$4.00 per copy**

## Page 16

New **OLD HAND** Products offered are—

**STERIL**—this new specific has been formulated to enable fanciers to protect their birds from infection through drinking and bath water. ----- **\$1.30**

**RE-PLUME**—this is an ointment formulated for the treatment of birds infected by the de-pluming mite. **\$1.30**

**REDUCOR**—no more trouble with birds that are too fat. Slimming the bird down purely by cutting the ration is dangerous but the scientific method of removing surplus weight with Reducor is safe. ----- **\$1.80**

**PIGEON POX PREVENTATIVE** — Another of his latest specifics has been formulated to help ward off Pigeon Pox. If you hear of an epidemic this treatment should be given and it will also help to ward off other complaints. **\$1.30**

## Page 17

Latex Countermarks are: **1M \$7.75, 2M \$15.25, 3M \$22.50, 4M \$29.60, 5M \$36.50 10M** or more at same time **\$7.20 per M.**

**BENZING TIMER** -----  
**STB TIMER** ----- **\$92.50 PP**  
**JUNIOR TIMER** ----- **\$82.50 FOB**  
**STB Clock Handle** ----- **\$1.50**  
**BENZING Clock Handle** ----- **\$2.35**  
**BLACK BOOK** ----- **\$3.25 PP**  
No more **MASTER KEYS**

## Pages 18-19

101-C **WOODEN NEST FRONTS** \$2.50 each, 6 for \$9.50, dozen \$18.45 all **FOB.**

105-C **SAVADAYS**, 100 postpaid: zone **2 \$5, 3 \$5.10, 4 \$5.30, 5 \$5.60, 6 \$5.85, 7 \$6.20, 8 \$6.50.** Box of 250 \$8.50, can only be sent by REA.

106-C **ECONOMY BANDS**, one set **\$1.20, 2 \$2.15, 4 \$4.**

109-C **BANDETTES**, one env. **\$1.65, 2 \$3, 4 \$5.75.**

110-C **SPIRALS** 50 for 65c, 100 **\$1.10, 250 \$2.25, 500 \$4.**

**NAME AND ADDRESS BANDS** 10% increase on all orders.

112-C 1-\$1, 2-\$1.65, 5-\$3.25.

113C **PLASTIC MARKERS**—the new price on these is: 50 for \$1.50, 100 for \$2.75, 200 for \$5.00, 500 for \$11.50.

115-C **NEST MARKERS** one env. **\$1.10, 2 \$2, 4 \$3.85.**

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151-C ----- **50 for \$2 PP**  
155-C ----- **35 for \$1.25 PP**

## Page 22

**JUNIOR TIMER** only with Dolo-meter. ----- **\$82.50**  
Case \$5 extra. Ship wt. 5 lbs.

143-C paper rolls come in various sizes and are priced differently according to size and timer.

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**STB TIMER** ----- **\$92.50 PP**  
**BENZING TIMER** -----

**BLACK BOOK** available --- **\$3.25 PP**

144C—**CLOCK CAPSULES.** No square ones were available when the catalogue was made up. We now have the large square brass capsules for the **Benzing Timer, 4 for \$1** (min. order). We do not have any "C" to offer in the telescopic, only the "D" in this type. Some like the brass male and female as often comes in the new **STB**, these are offered at **5 for \$2.25** (min. order).

## Page 24

201-C **Only have 6.4 oz. env. \$4.50**  
202C **1b can \$3.50, 3½ lb \$10.75**

203CC A new product **EMTRYL** has been added for **CANKER**, 91 grams, app. 3 oz. **\$4.50 PP.** See ad in previous issues of Bulletin for directions.

204-C May be discontinued, will only have **HARKANKA** tablets for individual treatment of birds with **Canker.**

210C ----- **\$4.20 PP**  
212C ----- **\$2.90 PP**

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224-C **PIGEON POX VACCINE** is only available in **STICK METHOD**, 100 dose unit \$2.50, first class, \$2.60 air mail.

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227-C **Vermex Tablets** has been discontinued, they are replaced with **TRIPLE WORMER TABLETS 100 \$2 PP**

230-C **TRIPLE SULFA** discontinued. We are offering

**TRI-SULFA-LYTE** a water soluble powder to be used in the drinking water and serving the same purpose. Comes in 8 oz bags ----- **\$3.75 PP**

232-C **TERRAMYCIN** replaces Penicillin-D for one eye cold. **½ oz tube \$1.50**

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Kilpatrick's Minerals --- **\$2.35 FOB**  
234C ----- **\$3.70 PP**

237-C discontinued

240-C discontinued

241-C **TYLAN** plus Vitamins for hard to get at **Respiratory Diseases 125 gm. package \$5.25, 250 gm package \$9.75** both postpaid. Water soluble.

242-C **S-4 PLUS TA**, four Sulfas in one for the treatment of colds.

**52 gram package \$2.00 PP**

## THE RACING PIGEON BULLETIN

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only a few clocks and the fanciers were grouped and had to run to the same clock to time their bird. They were allowed a certain amount of time per yard, and it really was an interesting sight. Not so long ago one of these runners was interviewed and he was full of praise over K. Wegge. "The strongest race I ever witnessed," he said, "was a race from St. Denis. Nine pigeons dropped together and they won the first nine positions."

Our champion also administered a regular drink for many years of Gen-tian roots boiled in water. It was supposed to be a great aid for the digestion of food and for the whole system of the bird. Karel Wegge or else one of his workmen went so repeatedly to the druggist for this root that one day the attendant remarked, "This must be a health drink for your pigeons, Karel," whereupon he sarcastically remarked, "No! It's for my rabbits which I don't possess."

On a certain Sunday there was a race that resulted in a terrible smash, one of the worst in the history of the pigeon world. Our champion was not spared and lost eight of his best flyers. The general cry among the pigeon flyers was "This might be the end of Karel Wegge." On the following Sunday and race day, Karel came and entered 12 birds. The re-

sult was seven top positions. This new success was like a thunderbolt among the pigeon fanciers and caused great excitement.

He had a great knowledge of pigeons. This was a generally known fact. There were many proofs of this. Here is one of them. He went with two friends to enter birds in a race in Malines from Angouleme. On the train, one of the friends showed him his birds the way he classified and intended to pool them. When Karel looked at the last one he remarked, "This one must be absolutely the first one entered and the highest pooled." On the following Sunday she was the first one of the four that homed. Jerome D'Hue, also one of the party and well known in Lier, also let him look over his birds. "Well," said Karel, "this bird or my bird will take the first position on Sunday." Wegge took first, Jerome D'Hue, second. This was proven judging.

It was also generally known that he knew quite a bit about pigeon diseases and their cures. So one day a person asked advice about a bird that had contracted wing disease. He cut her in the toes till she bled, then bathed the leg and foot in lukewarm water, put some iodine on, and returned her to the owner. He told him to feed lightly and a week later she was cured.

When Karel lay on his death bed his birds were still his main source of concern. Naturally this was also the case with his relatives and friends and when they noticed the possibility of his departure, the question was asked in case it was the end what should be done with his pigeon colony. His answer was "Sell them. My successes you'll never have because

you won't have the knowledge." His last words were very meaningful. They prove that to be successful, not only good birds but knowledge and management of a loft are a great factor. His brother experienced proof of this. He tried to race some of the same birds. The results were discouraging. He won some prizes but the formidable results of his brother could not be compared. The difference was too great.

The first sale of Wegge (only some of the birds were sold) was held in Brussels in 1897 through the care and sponsorship of "LeMartinet." This was a great occasion. Buyers came from all corners of the country, even Holland and France, with the intention of acquiring some of that renown strain. They bought at an enormous price at that time considering the money value a total of 40,000 francs.

Then there was a second sale in 1898 of birds his brother, Joseph, kept. Naturally the interest wasn't so great this time. They brought up to 8,000 francs which was still a high price. Now that all the details have been given about Karel and Joseph there is still the question of what happened with the birds of the other brother, Father Wegge (a priest and an ardent fancier). He also possessed a collection of birds straight from the loft of his brother. In fact, when Karel's estate was divided he only desired a few birds from the loft for his share. He obtained a pair of extra flyers and a few more from this known loft. He took good care of them and through family breeding possessed the pure strain. About 15 years ago, he sold them all for the sum of 25,000 francs.

While Karel was still living, the city of Lier bestowed a great honor upon him by having a Wegge parade. Thousands of fanciers came to join the parade through the streets of Lier to honor one of the greatest, if not the greatest, personality in the history of pigeonhood.

Paul V. Veegaete  
From May 23, 1946 issue

Are you enjoying the BULLETIN? Good, don't pass it on to your friend, let him subscribe for his own, you may want to refer to it later.

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## STASSART AND STASSARTS

Much credit has been given to the Stassart strain; few writers have ever given consideration to the founder only to mention his name. This should be the first thought and the finest proof of the qualities of Stassart as a scholar and teacher. To say that he was a fancier would not be expressing the greatness of Stassart—the man of many champion racers. Few men can approach his record of race winnings, and his consistency at the longer distances is distinctly in a class alone.

As a student, Stassart was at the head of the racing fanciers' honor roll. One does not endure the setbacks in this sport, and emerge victorious in another year as Stassart did, without the aid of considerable study, a vast source of knowledge and the patience that is usually accredited to age.

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Mons. Stassart demonstrated in one great example, that his years of study as a racing fancier had been thorough and the knowledge acquired, firmly held and used. In 1921 the entire loft of birds was lost due to severe cold; with the exception of five birds. Stassart introduced a new hen into these, a bird from Dr. Bricoux that was descended from some of Stassart's own blood before the war (World War I).

Although no record designates or denies whether or not Stassart selected this hen—she was given to him by Bricoux. This writer is of the opinion that Stassart made the selection of this hen with a definite knowl-

edge that the blood of this hen would produce birds of great quality as racers. Proof of this came with the great EPINARD, hatched 1922—right on the edge of one of the greatest setbacks any fancier might endure. This example alone would be sufficient, but Stassart developed more than one pigeon and the consistency, as shown by his records, cannot be called luck.

Guillaume Stassart did not, as the impression is with many, become a fancier following World War I. One American fancier quotes that Stassart founded the strain in the 1890's. How accurate this date is, cannot be set definitely but it is known that Stassart held his own with the topnotch fliers of Belgium before 1910 and had been credited with the best pigeon in Belgium before 1914. It was the offspring of these to which Stassart turned following his terrible loss of 1921.

Some few of these pre-war birds Stassart did carry through the first war. These were the basis of his loft as he started to rebuild before this heavy loss in 1921.

Stassart started off in his typical racing manner by winning the first race of the longer distances following the first war. No information is avail-

able as to which bird this may have been, but it is known that most of the birds, Stassart had at this time were young with the exception of a few 1912-13 and 14 hatched among these is foremost "Premier Prize from Dax."

Epinard claims the all time championship of the loft having twice won the Bordeaux National and once second in three races. Epinarard was hailed as the best in Belgium in 1924 and 1925.

The blue male 47901 sired Epinarard. This cock is "A" as referred to in the listing of the original four as purchased by L. F. Curtis in 1925.

The dam of Epinarard was the hen from Bricoux in 1921. She being descended from Stassart's own blood in part. Her sire was a son of MALADE and her dam from CORBIEL.

Following close to Epinarard came BALADIN a 1924 hatch. Bred from ALI and ANDRINAPLE both of 1923. (It is well to note that in 1923 Stassart started to name his birds by alphabet progressing a letter each year.)

BALADIN was truly a long distance racer and proved it many times in these races. He is another example of Stassart's superb knowledge of breeding and training.



CALYPSO followed Baladin and would no doubt have gained fame if her records had not been accumulating at the same time as Baladin, taking good positions in races from 400 to 660 miles.

Stassart showed a few of his birds and on more than one occasion was awarded the "Premier Prize" by the National Flying Club show. Calypso was one of his show entries and won first in the pen.

DAVID is probably one of the greatest advertised names of Stassart's birds. DEBENUER was busy building up an enviable record by taking five prizes from 600 miles in 29, 30, 31, 32, 33. Here is another superb example of Stassart's keen knowledge of racers and breeding. Debenuer is solidly inbred from a brother and sister, BANK-NOTE and BAYADERE. These being out of ARTAGNAN and ECAILLES (1922). Debenuer was an asset as a breeder as well as a racer and left his blood in some of the later famous

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nearly full Stassart blood being descended from the son of the PREMIER PRIZE from Dax. Herein enters the definite Sion blood from the Gris one of Paul Sion's fine stock birds.

The male bird introduced in 1922 was from R. Peeters of Diest, 727737 was of good blood being from Bon Rouge, Wegge flowed strong in his blood but the dam was of Stassart blood being down from Stassart's VIZE winner of one of the top posi-

Stassarts.

ECLAIR followed in a less bright light. He flew several times 600, winning a string of more than 15 prizes in racing.

Following this came a long line of names; many of them excellent racers. Most publicized of these were those imported into this country and advertised in connection with the sale of youngsters.

Of the birds following 1930 this writer recognizes only a few as the real prizes of Stassart's loft. Among these is the much advertised IBRAHIM truly another great flier. KOH-I-NOOR proved worthy of his perch in the Stassart loft, by doing well on the road. There can be no doubt that Stassart bred many more good birds that are not listed here but these are the cream of this writer's views.

Foremost in every American fancier's mind is the "A," "B," "C," "D" birds as imported by Curtis in 1925.

"A" 47901-19 blue male. This bird flew 450 miles then set aside for stock. Bred from good racers he in turn produced excellent racers for most of these was EPINARD.

"B" 17859-19 blue female. This hen produced superb racers each year with different males. Being of a family of excellent racers Stassart retained her solely for stock purposes.

"C" 504015-20 red checkered male. An outstanding racer and breeder. This bird too is bred from good birds being descended from Stassart prize winners.

"D" 3513988-21 blue check female. This bird was never tested over the long races but did fly up to the 400 kilometer station. Stassart also set this bird aside as a breeder. The quality and beauty of her young were proof of his selection.

Those mentioned above are prob-

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tions in St. Vincent national also bred into this hen was the blood of a bird from Janssens.

These are the only birds to leave traces in Stassart's loft till the early 30's at which time he used several crosses and continued to do so the last years of his life. The effects of these crosses cannot be fully defined for the great racer passed on to his haven of rest never having really tried or raced the new line which he was at-

... of Communist dictators. Just why, we may ask, does the party rely so greatly on these missiles of atheism? Just why do other phases of Communist strategy alter, but never the dependence on this weapon?

ably the greatest Stassarts ever imported into America and in this writer's opinion are the best of the Stassart blood that was ever sold into this country. Certainly no blood has ever so completely made itself felt in the records of American racing as these birds.

Many races have been won by the straight bred Stassarts down from these four. Many Hall of Fame awards have come either to a full bred ABCD Stassart or to birds carrying much of this blood in their breeding.

The majority of the crossed bloodlines today include Stassarts. Many are the outstanding feats by birds of this great blood. One, the most outstanding in this writer's opinion is the yearling that won the 600 mile Irish National over the course that is attributed by many to be the world's toughest course, requiring a bird of extreme physical condition and instinct as well as the courage to fight its way home over almost unconquerable hazards of mountains and water.

Many persons have advertised Pure Stassarts, no doubt if these fanciers have bred these Stassarts for generations, with no outcross, they might well be lauded as pure; for the outside blood that was added by Stassart was indeed very little, prior to the early 30's. There were three birds mentioned as added by Stassart in 1921, these were one male and two females. One female being the mother of EPINARD as mentioned earlier, her band 477186. She had white flights and produced many good birds. She being one half Stassart blood, the other originating in Dr. Bricoux's loft. Whether or not his blood was the original blood of Carliers Bekemans, Rosseau, Baclene with which Bricoux started his strain or of the Sions that Bricoux received from Paul Sion in their yearly exchange has never been noted.

The other female 153455 contained

tempting to develop. Inasmuch as the great Stassart left his development unfinished, no one can interpret his intentions, but there can be no doubt had he lived longer, he would have once again made the world of racing fanciers-look up; and once again recognized as new champion Stassart.

Feather B. Rayne

From October 24 and 31, 1946



# Cattrysse Birds Sold

All birds from the late Wijle Ger. Cattrysse of Moere, the well known illustrious and celebrated colony of pigeons were sold at Brussels, Belgium on Saturday and Sunday, April 12 and 13.

On both days of the sale bidding was very great. The bidders came from all places and countries. Netherlands, Duistland, Sweden, France, Switzerland, South Africa and many different countries. The South African fanciers bought one-third of the total sales. The most expensive bird was COPPI No. 166 on the sales program, he sold for 45,000 francs to two German fanciers.

On Saturday, sixty-eight 1969 youngsters were sold for a total value of 228,443 Belg francs or \$67.18 per bird.

On Sunday, 137 old birds were sold for a grand total of 897,628 or \$131.04 per old bird, making it 205 birds for a grand total of 1,126,074 francs or \$109.86 per bird.

Your scribe Idle Hour, was a fortunate buyer there. Mr. Gallez was a great friend of the late Cattrysse. Mr. Gallez's son and two other Belgian fanciers catalogued the birds for a successful sale.

I purchased GOLIATH of '66 and a hen for him also some Cattrysse bred by Mr. Gallez for which an import permit has been sent to proper authorities in Maryland. Also your scribe has it from a good source that young from Mench & Houtlerman, mentioned by Mr. Barker of England are in the U.S.A. and should fly YB's in 1969. We shall see, the Lord willing.

Translated by Idle Hour 1969

# Ace Limited Homing Club

By ERV GELDON

*Publicity Director*

715 E. Bolivar Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.

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This gala reunion took place at the Ace Club headquarters, the site of the shipping of this big race. Annie Zelasko was entertained by Mrs. L. Duewell, Mrs. E. Geldon and Irene Janowski and her daughter Ann Marie. The men enjoyed themselves with other fanciers. The sun did manage to come out and everyone went outside to take pictures of the 80 birds and the Detroit sign that was made for this occasion.

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