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MULE DEER OFFERED FOR SALE
BY GOVERNMENT AT \$15 A HEAD

A considerable number of surplus mule deer, or black-tailed deer, are being offered for sale alive by the Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture from the National Bison Range in western Montana. The animals are offered at the price of \$15 each as they run on the range, the purchaser paying all expenses in connection with capturing, crating, and removing the deer, which it is estimated will not exceed, on the average, \$20 an animal.

The Biological Survey does not recommend these animals for stocking ranges in the South or East, particularly in areas already frequented by deer, but says they should do quite well in most of the western portion of the United States. Where these deer are intended only for exhibition purposes they would, of course, stand a fair chance of surviving in the East.

As the Survey desires to remove the animals from the reservation at the earliest possible date, persons interested in obtaining them should communicate with Frank H. Rose, protector in charge of the National Bison Range. His post office address is Moiese, Mont., and his telegraphic address is Dixon, Mont. Any orders accepted for delivery of the animals are contingent upon the possibility of their capture at the time desired by the purchaser.

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