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**PROFITABLE TO GROW  
SPRING WHEAT CROP**

Much Land in Northern States Which Is Quite Suitable.

It is Probable That in Large Area Marquis Variety Will Give Best Result—Seed Should Not Be Hard to Obtain.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

There is much land in the Northern states on which spring wheat growing may be profitable as well as patriotic this year.

An additional acreage of spring wheat can be secured by increased attention to the crop in sections where considerable areas formerly were planted. Spring wheat also should be sown in the Northeastern states—the northeastern quarter of the country—south and east of the present spring-wheat area. This includes the northern part of the corn belt. To be specific it includes northern Kansas and Missouri and northward, and nearly all of the country north of Kentucky and Virginia, including the New England states. Spring wheat should not be sown along the seacoast, however, and generally not on land of low elevation. In the mountainous region spring wheat should be tried where land is available as far south as Tennessee and North Carolina.

**Where Formerly Grown.**

A fairly safe rule to follow in the present crisis, which demands a large wheat production, is for the farmers in all sections wherever spring wheat has ever been grown but now discontinued, to sow a little of it this spring if a full winter-wheat acreage was not put in by them last fall. The older farmers in a neighborhood often will recall that spring wheat was once grown there, but that it gave way perhaps to higher-yielding or better-milling winter wheat. Perhaps some other crop replaced wheat entirely. At the present time it is desirable in all such places to go back to some degree to spring-wheat growing.

If spring wheat falls the land is ready for a summer catch crop or for sowing winter wheat the next fall.

**Choice of a Variety.**

In nearly all of this great area it is probable that the Marquis variety will give best results, or at least as good results as any spring wheat. Seed of this can most likely be obtained at points not far removed. Seedsmen generally should be able to supply it, or the county agent or state agricultural college can refer to sources of seed. It is the most widely grown variety in Minnesota and the Dakotas and is easily recognized by its short, wide-creased, broad, hard, red kernels.

**Handling Spring Wheat.**

The culture of spring wheat should give trouble to no farmer in this section, accustomed as he generally is to winter wheat and to spring oats. The

land should be prepared as for oats and seeded as early as possible. Use only land considered suitable for winter wheat. Early sowing is the best guaranty of a crop. It is best to sow wheat with a drill where one is to be had, but it can be sown broadcast and harrowed in. The same amount of seed per acre as of winter wheat, or a little more, should be sown. Six or seven pecks per acre is usually enough. Small patches of wheat sown by farmers generally in this northeastern section of the country will doubtless add greatly to our wheat supply, and will not interfere seriously with other farming operations.

**WAGE WAR ON WEEDS**

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Good rotations and efficient farm practices will subdue weeds.

Three main principles of weed control must be observed: (1) Prevent weeds from maturing seed on the farm, (2) prevent the introduction of weed seeds on the farm, and (3) prevent perennial weeds from making top growth.

The principles are the main thing; the particular method employed is of lesser importance.

Next to the principles ranks the man behind them. Many men make a start to clear their farms of weeds but give up too soon. Often the campaign is stopped when success is in sight, and the weeds soon recover.

Clearing a farm of weeds, especially perennials, is no easy task; it requires more than average intelligence and perseverance. If, however, one faithfully carries out a plan of attack based on the above principles of weed control he can practically rid his farm of weeds without a great amount of extra labor and expense.

Weed control is frequently a community problem, and for the greatest permanent success cooperation among farmers is required.

**Use the Waste Land.**

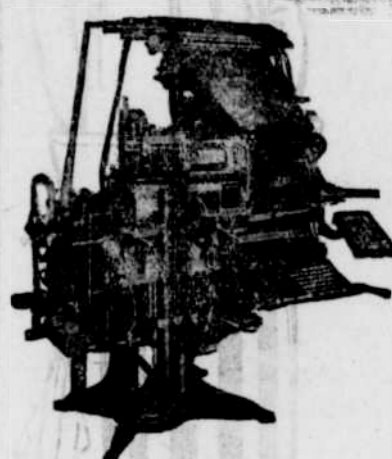
Waste land along ditches, fences and in odd corners that cannot profitably be worked, should be planted to nut trees. Choice hickories, English walnuts, pecans for the South, and black walnuts for the North, are best to plant.

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Mary Pickford at the Isis tomorrow night.

Elizabeth Mixer sold \$1000 worth of Thrift stamps yesterday.

For Rent—Furnished house with or without piano. Phone 6422.

Ross Nelson has been in Portland this week.

L. Kuhlander visited his daughter at Newport last week.

Mr. Era McKinsey purchased an American bicycle from Craven & Huff.

Craven & Huff have received a shipment of front and rear Mazda lamps for automobiles.

Dr. R. E. Duganne, Dentist, Independence National Bank Building.

Mary Pickford in the "Poor Little Rich Girl" at the Isis Wednesday evening, May 1.

Dr. H. C. Dunsmore went to Portland this afternoon to confer with Y. M. C. A. officials concerning the secretaryship he has been seeking.

J. O. Anderson was over from Silverton Sunday.

It is seldom that Independence gets a chance to see Mary Pickford, but she is coming tomorrow night.

G. G. Walker was a passenger to Portland today.

A letter was received from A. L. Kuhlander this week from somewhere in France. He says that he is well and happy.

Dr. J. R. N. Bell occupied the pulpit at the Presbyterian church Sunday and was greeted by his many friends in Independence.

The ordinance to vacate a part of a street for the use of the Oregon Milling Co. comes up for disposal at the council meeting tomorrow night.

Frank Smith and son, Otho, went to Douglas county today where they will work their mines for several weeks.

The Pentecostal Mission people from Dallas, who favor Independence with religious services on the streets every Saturday night, had opposition last week as a blind man with a guitar greatly disturbed the atmosphere with his beautiful war hymns and ballads.

Reports that the Non-Partisan League was attempting to buy a newspaper in Polk county are not true. The Non-Partisan League is making no attempt to organize in Oregon at this time.

Cecil Swope, looking fine and dandy, was here from Portland Sunday. He is with the Department of Justice at present, and may be transferred at any time to most anywhere in the United States.

Paul Scott, who is attending school at McMinnville college and making a good record there, came home Saturday and got outside of several square meals that only Mother knows how to cook.

**CRUEL, INDEED**



Old Bachelor—Whatcher looking so blue about, old man?  
De Chappie—Reason enough! Last night I dramatically told Doc Le Rocks that I was consumed with love for his daughter, and the old chump prescribed quinine for a fever, and said he'd send the bill later.

**DELUDED**



Lady—Susan, wasn't that policeman making love to you in the kitchen last night?  
Susan—He thot he was, mum.



**THE French** of today are famous as pastry makers, but they would not now think of using the crude methods pictured here that were employed by them some centuries ago. They, like ourselves, must have a

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