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# SALEM DISTRICT INDUSTRIES

## EIGHTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR

THE DAILY STATESMAN dedicates two or more pages each week in the interests of one of the fifty-two to a hundred basic industries of the Salem District. Letters and articles from people with vision are solicited. This is your page. Help make Salem grow.

### PUBLIC SCHOOL PUPILS EVIDENTLY FOUND GOAT INDUSTRY HARD SUBJECT

There was only one article submitted this week in the public school pupil slogan contest, and that one is not worthy of a first prize place, because it does not show that the writer has secured first hand information from practical men in the industry, that would be of service in developing goat breeding here to greater proportions, and stabilizing the industry, which is the object of the Slogan pages. Schools is the Slogan subject for next week, and this ought to bring out some good matter from the pupils of Marion and Polk counties.

### POLK HAS MORE REGISTERED ANGORAS THAN THE WHOLE OF OREGON BESIDES

And Polk Stands Third in Oregon in Total Number of Angora Goats—Some of Oregon's Outstanding Breeders Are in That County—Great Importers, and Leads at Fairs—One Polk Fleece Sold for \$259, or \$14 a Pound—Youngsters in Boys' and Girls' Goat Clubs

Editor Statesman: Truly the home of the aristocrats of the Angora world and the center of the Angora goat industry of the Pacific northwest is Polk county. Polk county has more registered goats than the entire rest of the state of Oregon, with approximately 1800 head, and ranks third in the state in goat population, with a total of 13,025 head in the year 1926.

county was the only county in the state that secured some of these bucks. This importation was one of the greatest single events in the history of the Angora goat industry of the United States, and too much praise can not be given to these breeders for their foresight and interest in the Angora goat. The men who purchased from this sale which was held in Texas are J. B. Stump & Sons, Wm. Riddell & Sons, U. S. Grant, R. W. Hogg & Sons and Guthrie Bros. The Stumps were unfortunate and lost



King Tut, Super Polk County Angora Goat, the Fleece of Which Was sold for \$259, or \$14 a Pound; Running in Length from 18 to 26 inches.

raising enterprise of Polk county has since grown to such important proportions. Incidentally, King Tut was the father of Congressman W. C. Hawley. The production of Angora goat breeding in Polk county has been steady and from time to time has been the focal point for Angora goat breeding of the entire country. U. S. Grant of Dallas for eleven years has been president of the National Mohair Growers association and from time to time other Polk county men have taken part in the national affairs of this and similar organizations.

their animal shortly after purchasing, but the others have been in active service in the county now for two years and have strengthened the breeding of the Polk county flocks materially.

Interested people have only to visit the Angora goat section of the state fair or Pacific International to realize the important part that the breeders from Polk county play in the affairs of this livestock industry in the northwest. Polk county is also the home of Thos. Brunk, who is generally accepted as one of the best Angora goat judges of the Pacific northwest. Mr. Brunk has repeatedly tied the ribbons at some of the most important fairs on the Pacific coast and is regarded in high esteem by exhibitors of Angora goats, although Mr. Brunk is now actively engaged in the Angora goat industry himself.

One feature of the Angora goat game that is of great interest is the production of long mohair. This has from time to time brought seemingly fabulous sums per pound of production. Long mohair is used largely for wigs and similar purposes. The accompanying photograph of King Tut, a famous Angora owned by U. S. Grant of Dallas, shows a fleece that perhaps brought the greatest price of any ever produced in this state, although definite information on this point is not at hand. King Tut at one shearing clipped 18 1/2 pounds of hair that ran in length from 18 to 26 inches and sold for a total of \$259, an average of \$14 per pound; with the then going price for short hair at around 50c to 70c per pound, and the average clip for short mohair per year runs from four to eight pounds per animal. The breeding and selection of Angoras that can produce

in 1926 Polk county again stepped to the forefront when, at the time of the importation of the 117 of the finest Angora bucks from South Africa, five of them were purchased and brought to Polk county at an average cost of approximately \$450 per head. Polk of Angoras that can produce

Dates of Slogans in Daily Statesman (Also in Weekly Statesman)

(With a few possible changes)

Loganberries, October 7, 1926	Drug Garden, May 5.
Fruites, October 14	Sugar Industry, May 12.
Dairying, October 21	Water Powers, May 19.
Flax, October 28	Irrigation, May 26.
Filberts, November 4	Mining, June 2.
Walnuts, November 11	Land, Irrigation, etc., June 9.
Strawberries, November 18	Floriculture, June 16.
Apples, November 25	Hops, Cabbage, etc., June 23.
Raspberries, December 2	Wholesaling, Jobbing, June 30.
Mint, December 9	Cucumbers, etc., July 7.
Beans, etc., December 16	Hogs, July 14.
Blackberries, December 23	Goats, July 21.
Cherries, December 30	Schools, July 28.
Pears, January 6, 1927	Sheep, August 4.
Gooseberries, January 13	Seeds, August 11.
Corn, January 20	National Advertising, Aug. 18.
Celery, January 27	Livestock, August 25.
Spinach, etc., February 3	Grain & Grain Products, Sept. 1.
Onions, etc., February 10	Manufacturing, Sept. 8.
Potatoes, etc., February 17	Automotive Industries, Sept. 15.
Bees, February 24	Woodworking, etc., Sept. 22.
Poultry and Pet Stock, Mar. 3	Paper Mills, Sept. 29.
City Beautiful, etc., March 10	
Paved Highways, March 24	
Head Lettuce, March 31	
Silos, etc., April 7	
Legumes, April 14	
Asparagus, etc., April 21	
Grapes, etc., April 28	

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### THIS WEEK'S SLOGAN

**DID YOU KNOW** that Salem is the center of the largest pure bred Angora goat industry in this or any other country; that this is the pioneer mohair market from first hands in the Northwest; that about 80 per cent of the Oregon clip is now marketed in Salem; that practically all the long haired goat skins going into the chaps (chaparajos; chaparajos) of all North America have been tanned and prepared in Salem; that the milk goat industry is growing here very fast; that the making of Roquefort cheese from goats' milk has commenced here, and may be developed to immense proportions, bringing millions of dollars annually, and that this is the natural home of the goat—more so than even Asia Minor, the original home of the Angora, and that there is vast room for growth here, in both lines of this important industry?

These long fleeces is a distinct feature of the Angora goat industry as it exists in Polk county and Mr. Grant is by no means the only one who takes advantage of this particular market.

**Polk's Goat Clubs**  
Young folks of Polk county are also interested in Angora goats, and along with numerous other people of the county own one or more head of registered Angoras. The Dallas Boys' and Girls' Angora Goat club under the leadership of Tom Bowman has seven very live members, while the Mon-

### DON'TS FOR GOAT RAISERS

- Don't fail to provide shelter to protect them from cold wind, snow and rain.
- Don't fail to give them plenty of salt at least twice a week; better every day, and in such quantities as they will clean up every night. The every-day salting will induce them to come to shelter every night, thus protecting them from "varmints" and dogs.
- Don't put salt where they can trample it. They will not eat anything unclean.
- Don't mix them with cattle, horses or mules. Larger stock is liable to hurt them, especially in small quarters.
- Don't let several hundred make a run through a narrow door or gate to shelter, salt or feed; better a man with a dog to stand near the gate and keep them back.
- Don't allow pregnant does to browse on green pine needles; it may cause them to abort.
- Don't feed grain in large quantities until they have been on short rations for several days. Begin with small quantities, increasing gradually.
- Don't fail to dip them for lice at least twice a year.
- Don't run over 1000 head in one flock.
- Don't start with inferior stock.
- Don't forget that they are brush killers.
- Don't overlook the fact that they will soon make old, worn out land fertile, and increase yield on grain fields.
- Don't fail to look over your fences now and then if they are of woven wire with six inch stays, as some times they get their heads caught. Twelve inch vertical stays are better.
- Don't fail to castrate your grade buck kids while they are from 10 days to two weeks old.
- Don't fail to use a pure bred buck that is registered in the American Angora Goat Breeders' association.
- Don't fail to send your certificates of register to the secretary of the association to be transferred to your name as soon as you receive them when you buy registered Angoras.
- Don't starve your Angoras and expect them to produce good mohair and hardy offspring.
- Don't fail to read the Angora Journal—the text-book of the mohair industry.

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### AN AFTERNOON'S VISIT AT RANCH OF CROMLEY BROTHERS NEAR SALEM

Men Who Are Making a Success of General Farming on High Priced Land Close to Salem—They Use Up to Date Machinery, and They Keep Up the Fertility of the Soil—And, Besides, They Keep Away From the Worst Drudgery and the Hardest Kind of Labor

Editor Statesman: An afternoon's visit at the Cromley brothers ranch: For many years Cromley brothers were livestock men in the open spaces of Montana. Eighteen years ago homesteaders began to cut in on their range, and as a result they sold out and came in to the Salem vicinity and bought 500 acres from Thomas Brunk in Polk county, seven miles west of Salem, Oregon.

The Cromleys were successful stock men in Montana. When they came to Oregon they brought with them the progressive way of doing things which had brought success there. Their style of farming was changed from livestock to the growing of crops. In making the change they saw, in the beginning, that it costs as much to cultivate a thin acre as a fertile acre, while a fertile acre produces at half the cost per bushel. They soon proved to their own satisfaction that sheep and clover are one of the most successful ways to build up and maintain the fertility of the soil, consequently their system of farming has been based upon the keeping of at least one-third of the farming land in clover, the raising of about 250 sheep each year, and then to devote the balance of the rangeland to farming land to the raising of wheat, oats and barley.

**Not Straight Grain**  
In referring to their farming system, Mr. W. J. Crowley stated, "The people who think we are straight grain farmers are mistaken, because we regard clover seed as our principal crop, and this year we will thresh over 100 acres of clover for seed. We sell no clover hay, because there is so much more to be made by utilizing the clover for the sheep, and such a practice builds up the fertility of our soil."

**Profitable Short Cuts**  
W. J. is the oldest brother. He has reached the station in life where he is interested in short cuts, and possibly that is why the combine has meant so much to him. In referring to it he stated, "I would not think of harvesting any other way, because it is so much cheaper and quicker, and we are through harvesting while we would be binding the other way. And besides we do not have a crew of men around for my sister Emily R. to cook for all summer. We have never had any trouble with the grain but ripening evenly and we have cut all kinds of crops. Once in a while spring oats will not ripen up like wheat or barley, and in that case I always stand the sacks up on end, sewed end down, and then after a few days I go around and turn up a few sacks and open them. As yet we have never lost a sack of oats. The combine has everything beat

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### AVOID MISTAKES AND ALSO LOSSES

The Advice of an Old and Successful Angora Man to Beginners Here

(By U. S. Grant, Dallas, Or.) Just a few words to the tender-foot Angora breeder. Do not think that all you have to do is get your Angoras and expect them to take care of themselves. Do not expect them to live on climate and scenery—they must have plenty to eat with drink, and salt. Too much is printed and said of how Angoras will take care of themselves. In a measure this is so, but you must give them care and attention.

No other animal will give you the returns for the money invested that the Angora will, but you must do your part. Many men and women have gone into the Angora business and made a failure of it. Why? They did not use business sense. It takes brains, patience, honesty and love for the silver fleeced beauty to succeed.

**Intensify With Turkeys**  
Our sister Emily R. is the intensive farmer. She wanted something which would give her out door exercise so a number of years ago she took up turkey raising. This year she has about 300 turkeys, and she gets lots of pleasure and satisfaction out of her turkeys and, I might add, lots of profit, too.

Breeding and perfecting the Angora is one of the greatest studies of the animal industry. No man so far has been able to raise the perfect Angora. Thousands have failed in the business where a few have made a success. On the contrary, do not think I am trying to discourage the beginner. On the contrary, I am trying to have him avoid the pitfalls.

**IVAN STEWART,**  
Salem, Oregon, July 20, 1927.  
(Mr. Stewart is the field man, head of the information department of the Chas. H. Archer Implement Co., and one of the best informed men in his line; doing the work ordinarily done by a high class county agent.—Ed.)

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