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### SUPPLEMENTARY TO WHEAT

A substantial contribution to the profitability of farming in spring wheat states, particularly North Dakota and Minnesota, has been made by loans, aggregating nearly \$1,000,000, to farmers for the purchase of sheep, dairy cattle and purebred sires in 1928, John W. Haw, director of the agricultural development department of the Northern Pacific, said recently.

Figures show that this year \$316,589 was loaned to 1,711 farmers in 420 communities for the purchase of 74,895 yearling breeding ewes, and in addition 7,400 were shipped in and settled for in cash. All but 11,000 of the ewes, which came from western South Dakota, were obtained from Montana. Placement was largely in North Dakota, but Minnesota and Montana also received many. Figures also show that \$331,000 in the same territory was loaned for the purchase of dairy cattle, of which \$138,739 was loaned in North Dakota. The Agricultural Credit Corporation, with headquarters at Minneapolis, which is the agency through which the money was loaned and which has had the cooperation of the railroads, the county agents, and the business interests in the territory affected, reported that 62 per cent of its loans on sheep and cattle were in North Dakota.

The North Dakota figures disclose the 53,179 sheep this year were placed on 1,168 farms in 260 communities by the Agricultural Credit Corporation assisted by the various cooperating agencies. Six thousand of the sheep were purchased for cash in that state, for the purchase of which the corporation loaned.

"There are four groups of people who are responsible for this tremendous introduction of farm flocks into the so-called 'spring wheat area', Mr. Haw said. "This program could not have been accomplished if it had not been for the provision of funds for original purchases of ewes and financing of farmers by the Agricultural Credit Corporation. Neither could it have been accomplished had it not been for a group of live, energetic county agents, who presented the proposition to their client farmers, assembled carload orders and handled distribution of the carloads upon arrival in their counties. This program could not have been accomplished had it not been for the many public-spirited bankers and businessmen, who were willing to serve on local committees for investigation of the character of the prospective borrowers and assisted with clerical work and final completion of settlement papers.

"This program's success was due to the cooperation of all of the various groups. All of us know that more than 5,000 farm flocks of sheep have been introduced into this territory in the last few years and they now are making a substantial contribution to the profitability of farming and furthering the cause of mixed farming which is the only basis for safe farming anywhere."

Representative Hawley, chairman of the ways and means committee, will lend his efforts to tariff revision on a few products in which his home state is interested. Oregon, according to Mr. Hawley, wants something done for the hen, the cow, nuts and some varieties of dried fruits. Poultrymen want to be protected against eggs from China and babe chicks from Canada. Cheese and butter producers want to be remembered in an upward tariff scale, and Oregon growers of filberts and walnuts have let it be known that they are getting the worst of it under present tariff rates.

"A six-day week is well enough for machines," says Henry Ford, "but a five-day week is enough for men." And to give his men two days rest a week Ford plans an assignment of six workers for every five tasks. This policy will require an additional 30,000 men on the Ford payrolls, which boosts the total to 150,000, and will increase output 20 per cent by March 1. And Henry says Detroit men will be given preference in the awarding of the new jobs.

A London publisher, out of gratitude for his fortunate escape in a motor accident, gives \$100,000 to charity. Here in America the average publisher would have taken out an accident insurance policy for future protection and devoted a couple of columns of his sheet to a nice brown roast of traffic regulations.

The original issue of Oregon highway bonds was \$38,700,000. On April 1 the state will retire \$862,500, which will result in reducing the highway debt to \$31,853,000. All of which shows there will be a good

market for gasoline in Oregon for several years to come.

A Northwestern medical student went bathing in the icy waters of Lake Michigan at Chicago, to make good a wager he had made at a party. A half hour later one of the guests recovered the medical student's body from the water.

Clark county, Washington, is receiving unenviable advertising as the result of action taken by a disgruntled taxpayer who seeks to restrain the abolishment of tolls on the Portland Vancouver bridge.

The death of two sailors aboard an oil tanker, indicates that varnish remover is not of superior quality as a beverage, to embalming fluid; although it may contain a greater "kick."

### Ain't It the Truth?

Some people seem to feel bound to discover family resemblances between children and their parents.

"How much like you your little girl is, Mrs. Brown," remarked an acquaintance who met them on the street one afternoon.

"How odd that you should think so," replied Mrs. Brown. "She's my first husband's child by his first wife."

"Indeed! At all events I don't think I'm wrong in saying your little boy is the image of Mr. Brown."

"He's my son by my first husband, Mr. Green."

"Ah, yes. Well, good afternoon, Mrs. Brown."

### On Second Thought

As he was passing under a ladder reaching up to the windows of a recently built house the irascible colonel was struck on the head by a large piece of putty. He seized the putty in one hand and, racing up the staircase of the house, entered the room from which it had been thrown. He was confronted by three stalwart navvies.

"Who threw this?" he cried, angrily. "I did," retorted the biggest of the three. "What are ye goin' to do abahit it, eh?"

"Oh, I just thought I'd return your putty."—The Scotsman.

### Bolivar Well Earned

#### Title of "Liberator"

Simon Bolivar, who was born at Caracas, Venezuela, on July 24, 1773, has been called the "Liberator" in recognition of the heroic part he played as a valiant soldier and a wise statesman, in gaining the independence of Venezuela, New Granada and Bolivia. He was a man of good birth and liberal education. During a visit to Europe he was seized with the passion for freedom and resolved to devote his life to the liberation of South America from the yoke of Spain. In 1819 he became the first President of the republic of Colombia, and in 1824 was appointed dictator of the newly formed republic of North Peru, which was afterward known as Bolivia, after his name. Unable to control the warring factions, and broken in health, he retired into private life and was preparing to leave the country when he died of fever, at San Pedro, near Santa Marta, on December 17, 1830.

### Long Term of Darkness

In the Arctic region on March 21 the sun is just visible on the horizon and appears to circle about it. From this day onward the sun continues to circle around in the sky, each day at a greater elevation until on June 21 an altitude of 23½ degrees is reached. After this date the circling is at a lower elevation and is again on the horizon on September 23; thus the sun is visible for six months. After September 23 the sun circles below the horizon, gradually descending until December 22, and then gradually ascending until it reappears on March 21; thus there is a period of six months of darkness.

### NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT

In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

In the Matter of the Estate of Adolph L. Schaefer, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern:

That Lessie L. Schaefer, executrix of the last will and testament of Adolph L. Schaefer, deceased, has filed her final account and report in the administration of the estate; that the County Judge by order duly made and entered has appointed Wednesday the 9th day of January, 1929, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon as the time and the County Court House at Pendleton as the place where all objections and exceptions to said final account and report will be heard and a settlement of the estate made.

Dated the 7th day of December, 1928.


LESSIE L. SCHAEFER, Executrix.  
Will M. Peterson, George R. Lewis,  
Attorneys for Executrix. D7J4

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