

A SECOND PLACE WINNER in Sun Valley ski championships was Clair Smith of Lakeview, who placed in the intermediate men's class of the annual races held at the famous

US Needs Expanded Wool **Growing Program To Keep** Supply Up In Case Of War

greasmen said after looking into the situation,

strangle the sea lanes.

But sheepmen of the west, whose animals roam over tens of millions of acres of rangeland, say that's easier talked about than done.

There is no easy road to bisger sheep numbers and larger stockpiles of grown-in-U.S.A. wool. They say they need help, such as:

1. Wiping out price restrictions on wool and fat lambs.

2. More sheepherders (it's a lonely life)

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3. More grazing lands in national

duresta.
4. Greater tariff protection

B-29 Blows Up In Air

HONOLULU & — A crippled B29 weather plane blew up high in
the air off Guam Tuesday as a
rescue plane flew alongside trying
to shepherd it to safety.

The Marianas Navai Command
reported five men from the superfortress had been sighted in the
water. The rescue plane dropped
a lifeboat to survivors, B-29s normally carry a crew of 10 or 11.

Three of the crewmen were seen
later in the lifeboat and two others
still were in the water. A Naval
spokesman expressed fear the rest
were scattered over a wide area.

The dash for safety crited abruptly with the explosion 150 miles
northwest of Guam about 4 p.m.
Tuesday, Guam time.

The plane was attached to the
54th Strategic Weather and Reconnaissance Squadron of the 19th
Bomb Wing, at Anderson Air Porce
Buse, Guam.

En route to its home base from

En rquie to its home base from a weather mission, the superfort radioed it had a severe oil leak and had lost control of a propeller

AMERICAN COMPLAINTS

VANCOUVER, B.C. IP—The Van-couver Tourist Association faith-fully noted down suggestions and complaints by American visitors for study at its annual meeting. "City far too smoky" headed the list. Other visitors wanted to know "Where are the Indians?"

The United States—a country that goes in strong for wool suits, wool socks and wool dresses—needs to raise more sheep to grow this is a doggoned hardworking country.

more wool.

That's what a committee of Contreasmen said after looking into
the situation.

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Otherwise, ther said, we're in for a terrific wool shortage in case of all-out wer that would practically strangle the sea lanes.

was 9,821,000 as against 15,418,000 as recently as 1944.

Here is the Oregon report:
Farm flocks have been holding steady or growing, while range flocks have declined sharply.

Oregon's wool production last ear was about 5.500,000 pounds ompared with an average of 20 million in 1930-34.

ders. had 2,679,000 sheep in Oregon had \$2,079,000 aheep in 931 but this number had dwindled o about \$60,000 by this year. In Idaho, wool production has repped to 9,400,000 pounds from 7,000,000 annually in 10 years. President David Little of the

Now it depends upon more than two-thirds. He said, too, that the govern-ment's plans to subsidize synthetic fiber plants were a factor in caus-ing wood prices to drop more than ing wool prices to drop more than 50 per cent in the last year. During the war a number of Idaho sheen growers changed to cattle, Little said, "because there were fewer government regula-

cattle, Little said, "because there were fewer government regula-tions and less labor is required." Before the war, Idaho had 1,628,-000 sheep, but this total was down to 1,029,000 on Jan. 1. Washington was not among the states surveyed.



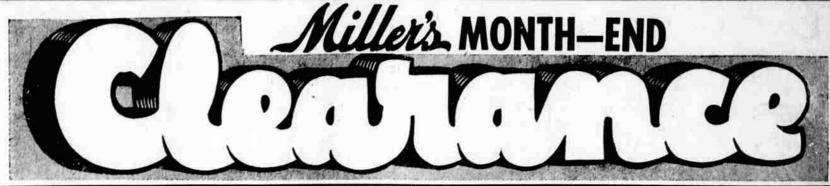
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