

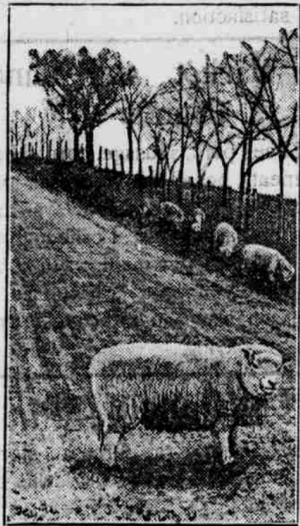
RAVAGES OF "THE SHEEP-KILLING DOG"



A Simple and Economical Inclosure for a Farm Flock.

The census of 1910 showed that in the ten years previous the number of sheep kept on farms in the United States had decreased 3,900,000 head, or 14 per cent of the total in 1900. On the other hand, during this time the market value of sheep rose to such an extent that the smaller number in 1910 was worth 25 per cent more than the total value of the sheep in 1900. In other words, despite the rise in the value of the farm flock, fewer farmers cared to maintain one.

The explanation for this, say specialists in the department of agriculture, is the prevalence of the sheep-killing dog. Exclusive of 12 western states where sheep are maintained on ranges and not on farms, it is estimated that more than 100,000 sheep are killed annually by dogs in the United States. It is impossible, however, to obtain accurate figures, for in only a small proportion of states and counties are complete records available. Moreover, the number of sheep killed by no means measures the harm done to the industry in this



A Farm Flock Will Do Much in Cleaning Up Waste Land.

way. Persons who have seen a flock of sheep chased by dogs until they drop dead of exhaustion are not likely to be encouraged to risk their money in the business of sheep raising.

In a new publication of the United States department of agriculture, Farmers' Bulletin 652, "The Sheep-Killing Dog," some suggestions are

Spraying Pears.

Pears require, usually, but little spraying. If scale is present they need the winter treatment; if not, it can be omitted. If codling moth is bad they need to be sprayed just after the bloom falls, as for apples. Usually these two treatments are enough, but if blister mite or pear psylla, or thrips are present, you should consult your experiment station for advice.

farmer never is satisfied with the methods of the past. He always is looking for something better and changing his plan of operation to meet new conditions. The greatest problem today is to increase the productive power of the soil and to build comfortable, happy farm homes.

Feed Intelligently.

With the present prices for feed no farmer can afford to waste any; all feeding should be done carefully and intelligently.

One Square Meal a Day, makes your cows all they will eat at least once a day.

given for a uniform law in all the farm states to check the raids of dogs on farm flocks. The underlying principle of the proposed law is a tax sufficiently heavy to discourage the keeping of dogs by those persons who are not willing to take proper care of them. This tax, it is said, should vary in accordance with the number of dogs kept by each individual—one male being taxed only \$1.50, each additional male \$3.00, and each additional female \$5.00. The tax must be paid each year and a license tag obtained when the money is paid. If any dog is found unattended without this tag he should be killed, and any dog found unattended on a farm where sheep are maintained may be killed whether he has or has not a license tag. Under any circumstances a dog caught killing or chasing sheep should be killed. A reward of \$15.00 is proposed for the identification of dogs known to be sheep killers, and such animals should be killed at once.

With the money obtained from the dog tax the county should reimburse sheep owners for their lost stock, and when possible recover this money from the owners of the guilty dogs. It is, however, extremely rare for dogs to be caught in the act of killing sheep, and it is always difficult to identify positively the offenders. For this reason the law existing in several states which permits flock masters to recover damages from the owners of guilty dogs is of comparatively little service.

A law based on the principles already outlined would, it is believed, greatly reduce the numbers of stray and vicious dogs, while not injuring to any appreciable extent the interests of the true dog lover. If losses from dogs could be effectually prevented there seems to be no reason why the number of sheep kept on American farms could not be vastly increased. It has been estimated that in the 36 farm states this increase could be 150 per cent without displacing other live stock, and some authorities have even placed it as high as 500 per cent. An increase of 150 per cent would mean in money \$155,267,000.

In Great Britain the value of sheep on high-priced farm lands is thoroughly realized, and in Great Britain and Ireland there is one sheep or lamb to every 2.5 acres of the total land area. In the farm states of the United States there is only one sheep or lamb to each 31.8 acres of land in farms. The British farmer raises his sheep chiefly on forage-crop pastures and this undoubtedly is the best way when intensive farming is possible.

Pen the Sows.

Did you ever see a male pawing at the back of the brood sow that was nearly ready to farrow? It has often happened, and the sow had to make an extra and a painful effort to keep out of the way of the vicious animal. Pen the brood sow to herself near farrowing time.

Dressing Fowls.

Some markets prefer the head of the fowl taken off at the throat. Strip the blood out of the neck, peel back the skin a little, remove a portion of the neck bone, and then, just before packing, except in warm weather, draw the skin over the end and tie and trim neatly.

Necessary Appliances.

Traction engines and autos are now almost as necessary in the economy of farm work as the manure spreader and the reaper.

Prosperity of Country.

The prosperity of any country depends on the character and permanency of its agriculture. The good

Backache Is a Warning

Thousands suffer kidney ailments—without knowing that the backache, headaches and dull, nervous, dizzy, all tired condition are often due to kidney weakness alone. Anybody who suffers constantly from backache should suspect the kidneys. Some irregularity of the secretions may give just the needed proof. Doan's Kidney Pills have been curing backache and sick kidneys for over fifty years.

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In Darktown.

The Parson—Is yo' conin' to pra'r meetin' tonight, brudder?

Bruder Black—Well, uh, no, sah; I reggin not. To tell der troof, pah son, I's aimin' to go to de minstrel show—done got a comperment'ry ticket.

The Parson—Breder Black dar won't be no minstrel shows in heaven! Bruder Black—Den, if at's de case, sah, I'se sho' gwine tonight, whilst muh ticket's good.

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A Play on Words.

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DREW THE LINE AT WIDOWS

School Superintendent of Purityville Explained Situation to Young and Pretty Woman.

"Well, now that I have seen Purityville, I can see how anybody would take almost any kind of a chance to get away."

She's an Indianapolis grass widow, clever.

The grass widow went to Purityville and asked the school superintendent for a job. He pried into her past like a detective, and finally drew from her that she was a divorcee. The superintendent threw up his hands.

"My dear young woman," he said, "I am sorry that I cannot employ you. We are opposed here to the employment of widows of both classes. Our school board has a sort of unwritten law against it."

The grass widow sighed and looked out of the window.

"But I am a widow through no fault of mine," the young woman insisted. "It was the husband who erred. And besides, single women also have been known to kidnap married men from their families."

"Yes, yes, I know," the superintendent chirped; "but the single ones are not so bright and attractive."

She felt the need of employment, and had heard that Purityville was in the market for school teachers. Now, Purityville is a nice, live city not far from Indianapolis, but it has a reputation for following fad reform waves, local gossip and flutter of municipal dissension.

No, she didn't get the job.—Indianapolis News.

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Kitchener's Comment—A good story is going the rounds about what Lord Kitchener said the other day after he had inspected some defense works on the east coast. It is short and sweet. The war minister motored from point to point, walked over the ground but never said a word all afternoon until the moment he was leaving for London. Then he opened his grim mouth. "Those trenches of yours," he said; "wouldn't keep out the Salvation Army."

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