Breeder

POSSIBILITIES

Says His Organization Would Have Entered This State but for Menace

Washington, Oct. 29.—Senator John B. Kendrick, of Wyoming, president of a large Northwestern association of stockmen and sheep breeders, told Senator Dial the other day that the interests with which he is associated had investigated the adantages of South Carolina with respect to sheep growing and would some time ago have gone extensively into the business there had not the risk been too great on account of the many mongrel dogs running at

large. "Now, there is concrete, specific evidence of what our people are losing," said Senator Dial today. "I knew we had thousands of acres of pasturage, that our climate made it practicable to run sheep on open range throughout the winter and that we had a number of other important advantages to attract the sheep grower operating on a large scale. I therefore took up with Senator Kendrick the matter of interesting some of his as-

Surprised and Gratified.

"I was surprised and gratified to learn that they had already looked into the opportunities in South Carolina and were willing and ready to take advantage of them. But there was not much that I could say when he pointed out that one mangy cur could kill as many as fifty sheep in a night and that so long as our people persisted in their present unenlightened policy with regard to dogs, nobody could afford to venture on sheep growing on a commercial scale.

"Every sheep is an asset worth around \$30; every dog is a liability. We have abundance of waste pasturage which we ought to utilize, especially with clothing and meat so dear. I am confident we could develop a highly profitable sheep industry. Some gentleman from Alabama told me recently that farmers in portions of their State overrun by the cotton boll weevil had clipped enough wool from their sheep to meet the running expenses of their farms.

at the first opportunity enact a suit- lated resources of the last three pros rement of a sheep industry. We have demoalization. a boll weevil problem of our own now. Sheep raising ought to be an impor- to reduce their cotton acreage and intant item in the new agricultural crease their acreage to corn and practice adopted as that pest ad- velvet beans and to oats and small vances across the State. Heretofore grain. They will also have to arrange when such legislation has been pro- to fence their lands as rapidly as posed it has not had the attention it possible. Fenced fields are necessary deserved from the leaders and has to get the greatest benefit and profit

CRIMP CUT

BARRED BY DOGS hicle of cheap humor I think the the small grain crops. Fenced fields in disguise. It is a second ported time for levity is past. A plague of are also essential to the profitable that one county is preparing to exect Seator Dial Is Informed by Wyoming mongrels running about the coun- raising of hogs and live stock Lands a monument to the try is a continual menace to life. Nct must therefore be fenced and the ammemorate the land aftered many men can now afford time for number of hogs and cattle increased on the community and I am HERE hunting. I know of few things more as rapidly as possible. Profits from the sure that the monument is appro-

"I am glad to see Commissioner the boll weevil's arrival. Harris endeavoring to arouse interest in sheep breeding and I hope that our this is an agricultural country; that to erect a monument to him-parti-General Assembly will find it expe- the new conditions must be met; and cularly if the new poison, calcium dient to take action early in its next that to that end all must co-operate. K. F. M.

THE BOLL WEEVIL

the states as a whole are still prowere overrun after methods of combating the boll weevil were pretty well worked out, and therefore that the damage was comparatively light relative to the damage resulting in interests of the community. Louisiana and Mississippi.

If a study be made of the yields from Alabama and Georgia by counties, it will be found that counties in our latitude have been reduced much less in yield than the average state as a whole, and that the lower counties of the state have been reduced

It must be recognized however that the arrival of the boll weevil has produced a serious condition during the period of transition to farming methods necessary under boll weevil conditions. This period lasted four to six years over Louisiana and Mississippi and has been reduced to about two years in Alabama and Georgia. There is no good reason why, with the methods of combating the boll "I trust that our Legislature will weevil well known and the accumuable law to abate the dog nuisance perous years, this territory should not thus make possible the devel- futher reduce this transition period

Our farmers must at once prepare

silly, in circumstances like those of the last three years should put our priate as he does not seem to be dead the present, than the spectacle of a farmers in position to do this. There- but only to have moved on; but at grown man losing a whole day from fore from a financial standpoint our any rate it illustrates the fact that work to catch a fifteen-cent rabbit. section is in good condition to meet his coming may not prove an un-

It is up to every well informed man in the community to bring home to the colored farmers of the county AND LAND VALUES | (and the colored farmers of the community form a majority and probably The early arrival of the boll weevil, cultivate half of the lands of the whether or not he has already arrived county) the things they must do in may certainly be expected. It there- order to farm profitably under boll fore becomes necessary for us to weevil conditions. Tell them that determine the effect of its coming they must plant early varieties of cotand the measures necessary to meet ton and get it planted early. It will that farm lands are the basis of the conditions thereby brought about. also be necessary for the landlords I know of no safer basis of judg- to at least assist tenants in fencing ing this than by the effects produced their fields and to require them to under similar conditions in the same increase the corn and velvet bean latitude of the cotton states hereto- acreage. This is going to prove one fore overrun by the boll weevil. Both of the most profitable substitute Alabama and Georgia have recently crops. Early varieties of seed for gone through the experience which next year's crop should be arranged now faces us. It will be noted that for now and the fences should be built during th winter months when ducing about two-thirds of their the labor is not all required in the usual amount of cotton. It also needs preparation for and the cultivation to be noted that these two states of the crops. These are only a few of the practical ways in which every interest in the community can cooperate. If you neglect to do your part, you will suffer with the farm

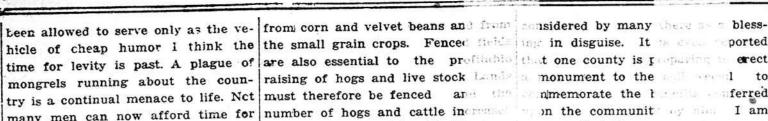
> Alabama has already recovered from the disorganization incident to the boll weevil's arrival and it is

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mixed evil, and that three years Let all interests remember that hence we too may be in the humor arsenate, is successful in definitely putting an end to him after he has convinced this community that it is profitable to raise corn and velvet beans, with hogs and live stock, as well as cotton

> And again, let us all remember that the condition has been met, can be met, and must be met; that this is an agricultural country and that as an agricultural country we must prosper; agriculture and that so long as our people are here their values must

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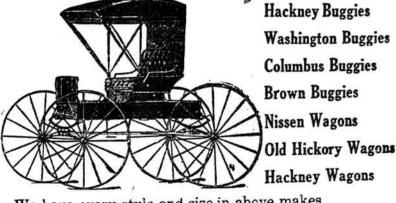
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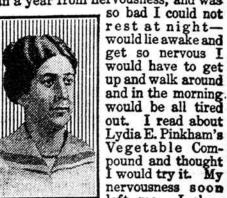
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