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Shredded wheat is being "taken up" in Great Britain as a domestic industry, advises to the Department of Commerce states. The first shredded wheat factory in Great Britain was opened March 13th at Welwyn Garden City. It occupies a site of seven acres and employs 200.

SOUTH-EAST CORNER

OH BABY. OH BOY!
Ruth and Eileen have been put on the boycott list.

SOME BIRD
Who was the party wearing rubber boots, who strutted around like a peacock near the phone exchange when the brigade was on duty at the recent fire?

THRIFT—AND WE'VE ONLY 28 MORE YEARS TO GO—

The editor of a country newspaper moved to Toronto the other day and deposited \$50,000 in one of the local banks. He had been publishing his little country paper for thirty years, and had moved to the city with a round \$50,000 to his credit. When asked by this writer for the secret of his great financial success, he said: "I attribute my ability to retire with a \$50,000 bank account, after thirty years in the country newspaper field, to close application to duty, always hewing to the mark and letting the chips fall where they may, the most rigorous rules of economy, never spending a cent foolishly, everlastingly keeping at my job with a whole heart, and the death of an uncle who left me \$40,999.50."

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PLANT FOOD IN THE SOIL

Of the many elements composing the soil, three are absolutely essential to sustain plant life, phosphorus, nitrogen and potash. All three of these elements exist in the soil in two forms, soluble and insoluble; but it is only when they are able to be dissolved that these elements become available for plant food. The insoluble material is gradually reduced to a state of availability by the natural chemical processes caused by winds, agencies of nature; but so slowly are the changes of this sort brought about, that if the land is to be used constantly to sustain plant life to a profitable degree, artificial means must be resorted to in order to provide an adequate supply of plant food. Field tests taken of the soil will indicate in what proportion the necessary elements are present and commercial fertilizer can be added to make up the deficiency if any. A cheap fertilizer is not recommended as it is more than likely apt to contain elements, especially nitrogen, in an insoluble form which means just so much money thrown away. In fact the farmer is better off who mixes his own fertilizer, buying the necessary materials in bulk quantities, as he is then certain that the required percentage is added and that the ingredients used are of good quality. Nitrogen is the most expensive as well as the least plentiful of the elements required, so the farmer should endeavor to conserve the natural supply of this material as far as possible. Certain crops require less of this food than do some, while still others have the property of returning nitrogen to the soil and rendering soluble the otherwise unavailable supply. Among these are such products as cowpeas, sugar beets, clovers, alfalfa and other leguminous crops which should be frequently used in crop rotations to keep up the nitrogen supply. The residue of these crops when plowed under or used for pasturing stock will permit the return to the soil through the medium of decay, of a large percent of the plant food contained in the leaves and stalks. Sugar beets and alfalfa in themselves are excellent stock foods and are extensively raised for that purpose. The increase in acreage devoted to the growth of sugar beets shows that the modern farmer understands the value of this crop as a soil conditioner as well as a wonderful food for his cattle. No land can continue to produce first quality crops unless scientific means are employed to keep up the supply of plant food in the soil, and the cheapest and least laborious method is that of returning as much as possible of what the crops themselves have consumed. Of course all that the plant consumes cannot be regained but a great deal of expense in purchasing commercial fertilizers can be saved in this way.

R. T. KLETT
"The Chemistry of Plant Life."

Wheat production in Australia has increased 110 per cent from 1919 to 1925; in Canada, during the same period, 100 per cent; in France, 75 per cent; in Italy, 42 per cent; in Argentina, 25 per cent, and in India 15 per cent. All of this represents increased competition to U.S. farmers.

W. I. SUMMER SESSIONS

June 9—Dunnville, Knox Church
" 10—Bethel
" 11—Grand River, Priv. Res.
" 12—Canfield, Methodist Church
" 13—Cayuga, Town Hall
" 14—S. Cayuga, Private Residence
" 15—Kohler, Private Residence
" 16—Rainham C. Town Hall
" 17—Fisherville, Private Res.
" 18—Selkirk, Baptist Church
" 19—Cheapside
" 20—Nanticoke, Hickory B. Park
" 21—Sandusk, Private Residence
" 22—Springvale, Mrs. O. Winger
" 23—Clanbrassil
" 30—Oneida

ROCKFORD.

(Too late for last issue)
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hamby spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hewitt Jr., of Hagersville.

Mr. Walter Petheram, of Simcoe, has been visiting at the home of his son, David Petheram.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Anderson accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Smith and Miss Edith to visit Mr. and Mrs. John Easton of Port Robinson on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Edwards, Miss Pearl and Anson spent Sunday with relatives at Gleanford.

Miss Marjorie Smith entertained her Sunday School class, "The Buds of Promise," to a party on Saturday afternoon.

Jack Wilson has returned to this vicinity and has been employed for one year by Mr. David Phillips Sr.

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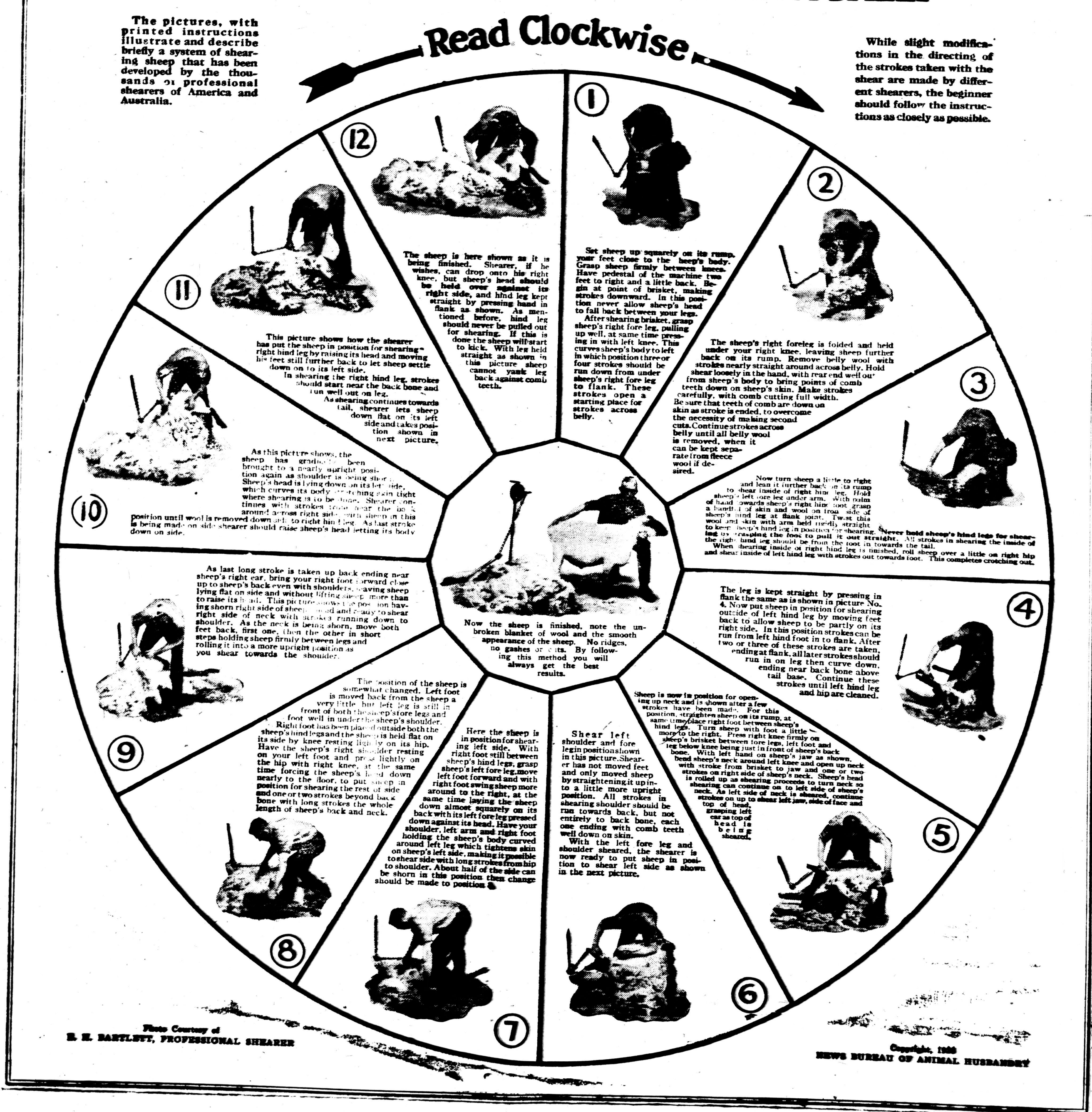
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