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COYOTE CONTROL PROVING TO BE EFFECTIVE
AND BENEFICIAL, FWS DIRECTOR REPORTS

Control of stock-killing coyotes in many areas is saving farmers and ranchers millions of dollars, Albert M. Day, director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, reported today. As a result many species of game birds and animals are increasing steadily as reduction in numbers of coyotes are made.

"In many parts of the West, from New Mexico to Montana, where losses formerly ran as high as 15 percent, sheep are now being ranged without herders and without losses from predators," stated Mr. Day.

Game is reported increasing in control areas in the United States and in Alaska, where increases in moose, caribou calves, deer, mountain sheep and reindeer are noted.

In several States antelope fawn survival is directly proportional to the extent and effectiveness of coyote control on antelope ranges. Survivals of 94 percent were counted this year on controlled Arizona ranges whereas rates as low as 21 percent were reported on ranges without coyote control.

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