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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Office of Indian Affairs
Washington

September 3, 1931

Mr. Edgar K. Miller,

Supt. , Hopi Agency.

Dear Mr. Miller:

Reference is made to your letter of July 22, 1931, in regard to the number of livestock the Indians of your jurisdiction may run free of charge.

In view of the action taken by the Leupp Navajo Tribal Council and the Fort Wingate Council, no action will be taken by the Office at this time to change the number of livestock that can be grazed free of charge by an Indian family. However, this matter is being carefully considered and in view of the grazing conditions that exist in the Navajo country it is hoped that we can obtain the cooperation of those Indians in limiting the number of livestock grazed free to 50 horses, 100 cattle, or 500 sheep. It is hoped that you and other Superintendents and forest officers in the Navajo country can convince the Indians that it is in their best interest to restrict the number of livestock grazed free by each Indian family to the number specified in the grazing regulations.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) J. HENRY SCATTERGOOD

Assistant Commissioner

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