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UNIT ONE

READING TEXT

A Look at Some Economic Activities in Europe

Most European countries have highly developed economies with extensive industry, productive farming, and excellent systems of communications and transportation. The advanced economy of Europe results (in part) from the generally good climate and soils and the abundant raw materials. Also important was the early date at which the economic growth of Europe began. In general, the countries of northern and western Europe have more advanced economies than do the countries in the southern and eastern parts of the continent.

Agriculture: From early times, the temperate climate and long growing season have encouraged agriculture, even though Europe, generally speaking, is not endowed with good soil. Until the 19th century the agriculture of most of the continent was based on grain cultivation. Wheat was grown in the south and west, oats and barley in the north, and rye in central and eastern Europe. Today higher living standards have led to a greater demand for meat, dairy produce, and fruit. At the same time, it has become cheaper to purchase

tries and to develop a more sophisticated agriculture in Europe. This trend has been reinforced by the fact that over large areas, especially in the west and north, the climate and soil are more suited to growing hay and fodder crops for farm animals than for raising grain. In Great Britain, Ireland, and the Scandinavian countries and in large parts of France, the Low Countries, and Germany a very important form of land use is meadow and permanent grass; fodder crops are important on cultivated land.

In southern France and in much of central, eastern, and southern Europe, rainfall is relatively light, and the leaching of the soil is less prevalent than in the west. In addition, the standard of living is lower, and dependence on grain crops is proportionately greater.

Thus, a large proportion of the land is under field crops, and there is less cultivation of the foods of higher quality produced in northwestern Europe.

Near every European city, vegetables are cultivated, and in many parts of the continent specialized agricultural products are grown. Some, like early vegetables in Brittany, and olives in southern Italy, are grown where climatic conditions are especially favorable.

Livestock is commonly raised throughout most of Europe. Dairy farming predominates in parts of northern Europe. Sheep are grazed in Spain and in southeastern Europe. In the Alpine regions and in parts of Scandinavia, cattle pass the summers grazing on the higher mountain slopes and the winters in the security of the valley farms. In parts of

central and eastern Europe, farm animals are still used as draft animals. Throughout Europe the number of farm animals, especially cattle, is increasing.

Forestry: Only in northern Europe are forests either extensive or important as a source of lumber. Over much of the continent, woodland survives only on land that is too poor to be worth clearing and cultivating. Apart from Scandinavia, Finland, and northern Russia, the most extensive forests are in Germany, Czechoslovakia, and the mountains belonging to the Alpine system. Most European countries are net importers of lumber, and this has encouraged efforts, especially in Britain, France, the Low Countries, and Germany, to plant conifers in areas of poor soil. Only Sweden, Finland, and northern Russia have large surpluses of lumber for export.

Fisheries: Sea fishing is important in the economies of European countries that border the Atlantic Ocean. Norway stands first in the size of the catch, followed by Denmark, Spain, Iceland, Great Britain, France, and West Germany. A large part of the catch is sold fresh. In some ports, especially those in Norway, fish is frozen, dried, salted, or canned for export.

Mineral Resources: The size and variety of Europe's mineral and fuel resources have played a major role in the continent's industrial development. Most of the important advances in the technology of smelting were achieved in Europe, and the use of solid fuel to produce industrial power was invented and perfected there. However, Europe's resources in metalliferous minerals are not large, except for iron ore.

Iron-bearing minerals are widespread, and an iron industry has developed in almost every country. Foremost among mines are the low grade ores of Lorraine in eastern France and of Luxembourg. Next in importance in iron-ore production are Great Britain and West Germany. Most other European countries produce only a small amount of iron ore, which is insufficient to supply their domestic industry.

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NEW WORDS

communication

/ka mju:ni'keisan/ n.

通信, 通讯

transportation

/,trænspo:'teisən/ n. 交通 abundant /ə'bʌndənt/ a.

丰富的,富裕的 endow /in'dau/ v. 赋予 cultivation /,kʌlti'veiʃən/ n.

耕作,耕种 oat /əut/ n. 燕麦

barley /'bɑ:li/ n. 大麦rye /rai/ n. 黑麦, 裸麦

sophisticated /səˈfistikeitid/

a. 高级的,复杂的

reinforce / ri:in'fo:s/ v.

加强,增强

hay /hei/ n.

(作性口饲料用的)干草 fodder /'fodə/ n.

饲料(尤指粗饲料)

Ireland /'aiələnd/ n.

爱尔兰(欧洲)

Scandinavian

/ skændi 'neivjən/ a.

斯堪的纳维亚的

meadow /'medau/ n.

草地,牧草地

rainfall /'reinfo:l/ n.

(降)雨量

relatively /'relativli/ ad.

相对地。比较地

leaching /'li:tʃiŋ/ n. 滤出(可溶物质) prevalent /'prevələnt/ a.

普遍的,流行的

proportionately

/prə'po:sənitli/ ad.

成比例地,均衡地 specialized /'spefəlaizd/ a. 特别的。专门的

Brittany /'britani/ n.

布列塔尼(法国一地区)
olive /'oliv/ n. 橄榄
Italy /'itoli/ n.

意大利(欧洲) favorable /'feivərəbl/ a.

有利的

livestock /'laivstok/ n.

(总称)家畜,牲畜 commonly /'kɔmənli/ ad.

普遍地,通常地 associate /ɔ'səuʃieit/ v.

使联系,使联合 predominate /pri'domineit/ v. 占优势,居支配地位

graze /greiz/ v.

放牧, 喂草

Spain /spein/ n.

西班牙(欧洲) slope /slaup/ n. 斜坡

draft /dra:ft/ n.

拉,牵引,拖 forestry / 'fɔristri / n. 林业 forest / 'fɔrist/ n.

森林,森林地带

lumber /'lambə/ n.

木材, 木料 woodland /'wudland/ n.

bodiand / wddisnd/ *n*: 林地,树林

survive /sp'vaiv/ v.

幸存, 残存 clear /klia/ v. 开垦, 清除

Finland /'finland/ n.

芬兰(欧洲)

Czechoslovakia

/'tsekəusləu'vækiə/ n.

捷克斯洛伐克(欧洲) plant /pla:nt/ v.

栽种,种植

conifer /'kaunifa/ n.

针叶树(如松、枞等) fishing /'fifin/ n.

捕鱼,钓鱼

border /'bo:də/ v.

靠近,接近

Norway /'no:wei/ n.

挪威(欧洲)

Denmark /'denma:k/ n.

丹麦(欧洲)

Iceland /'aislənd/ n.

冰岛(欧洲)
salted /'sɔ:ltid/ a.

腌的, 盐渍的
smelting /'smeltin/ n.

冶炼, 熔炼
solid /'sɔlid/ a. 固体的

metalliferous / meta lifərəs/
a. 含金属的
ore /ɔ:/ n. 矿,矿石

iron-bearing /'aiən'beərin/

a. 含铁的

foremost /'fo:moust/ a.

最重要的, 首先的

Lorraine /lo'rein/ n.

洛林(法国一地区)

Luxembourg /'lnksəmbə:g/

n. 卢森堡(欧洲)

insufficient / insə'fifənt/ a.

不足的,不够的

PHRASES AND EXPRESSIONS

- 1. result from 由……引起;由……产生
- 2. in part 部分地;在某种程度上
- 3. raw material 原料
- 4. in general 一般地; 大体上
- 5. generally speaking 一般说来
- 6. be endowed with 赋予: 有
- 7. be suited to 适宜于
- 8. the Scandinavian countries 斯堪的纳维亚国家(丹麦,挪威,瑞典,冰岛)
- 9. the Low Countries 低地国家(荷兰,比利时,卢森堡)
- 10. the leaching of the soil 土壤中养分的流失
- 11. be under field crops 种植庄稼
- 12. the Alpine regions 阿尔卑斯山区
- 13. draft animals 力畜
- 14. either ... or ... 或者……或者……, 不论……还是……
- 16. apart from 除……之外, 撇去

- 17. the Alpine system 阿尔卑斯山脉
- 18. net importer 净进口国
- 19. the size of the catch 捕鱼量
- 20. except for 除……之外

NOTES

1. Also important was the early date at which the economic growth of Europe began.

欧洲经济发展开始得比较早,这一点也很重要。

此句是倒装句。其中 at which the economic growth of Europe began 是定语从句,修饰前面的名词 date。

本课出现的倒装句还有另外四处。

2. At the same time, it has become cheaper to purchase at least part of the grain crops of the newly developed countries and to develop a more sophisticated agriculture in Europe.

同时,向新的发达国家购买至少一部分粮食和在欧洲发展 更为高级的农业,已变得更加合算了。

这是一个简单句。 it 是形式主语,真正的主语是动词不定式短语 to purchase ... 和 to develop ...。

3. This trend has been reinforced by the fact that over large areas, especially in the west and north, the climate and soil are more suited to growing hay and fodder crops for farm animals than for raising grain.

在广大的地区内,特别在西部和北部,那里的气候和土壤对种植饲养牲畜的干草和饲料比种植粮食更为适宜,这个事实更加证实了上述趋势。

that over large areas, especially ... than for raising grain 是同位语从句, 说明 the fact。

- Thus, a large proportion of the land is under field crops, and there is less cultivation of the foods of higher quality produced in northwestern Europe.
 因而,大部分土地用来种植庄稼,而欧洲西北部所生产的那
 - 因而,大部分土地用来种植庄稼,而欧洲西北部所生产 的 那种高质量的食物,在这些地区就生产得较少。
 - the foods of higher quality 指的是 meat, dairy produce and fruit。
- 5. Dairy farming predominates in parts of northern Europe. 乳酪业在北欧的部分地区占主要地位。
- 6. Over much of the continent, woodland survives only on land that is too poor to be worth clearing and cultivating. 在欧洲大部分地区,树林只是在那些过于贫瘠、不值得开垦和耕种的土地上得以保存下来。
 - 1) that is ... 是定语从句, 说明 land,
 - 2) "be worth + 动名词"是"值得(做某事)"的意思,如:
 The suggestions they made are worth paying attention to.
 他们提出的建议值得重视。
 This price is worth considering.
 这个价格是值得考虑的。
 - 3) too ... to ... 是"太……以致不能……"的意思,如。
 Our exports are too numerous to list.
 我们的出口商品太多,不胜枚举。
 Your price is too high for us to accept.
 你的报价太高。我们难以接受。

EXERCISES

I. Answer the following questions: