

Reduction of 25 Per Cent Corn Is Asked

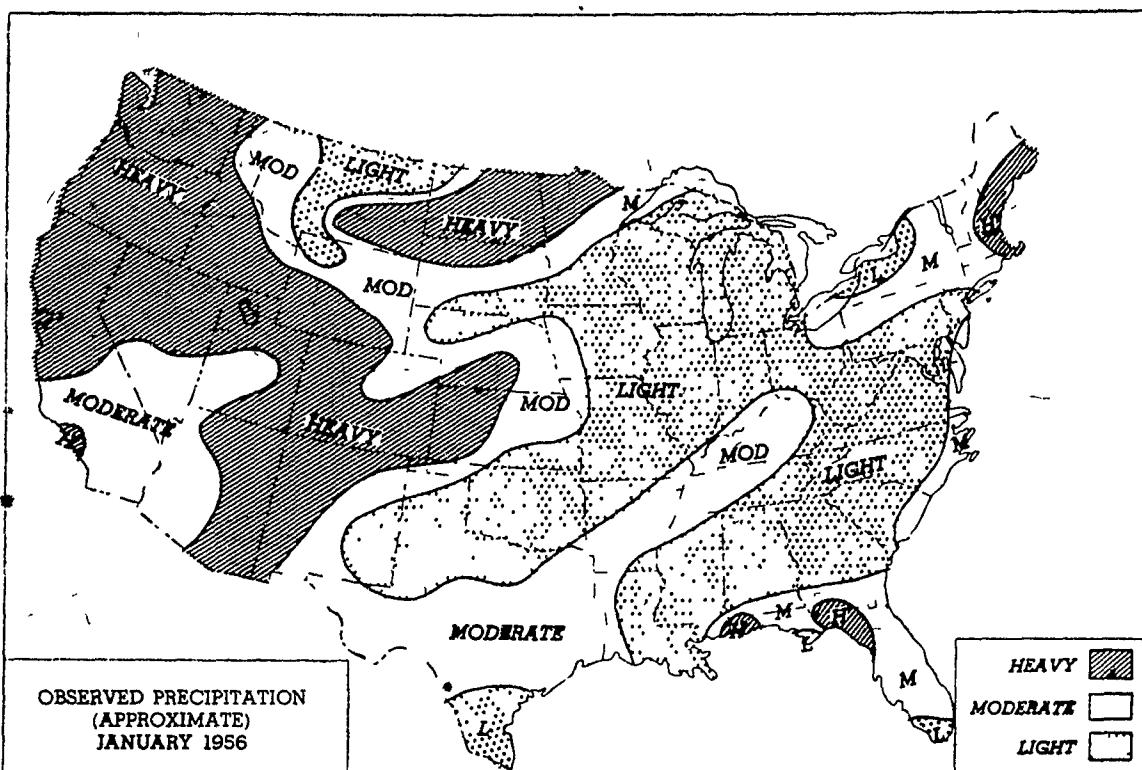
WASHINGTON — The United States Department of Agriculture has requested a 25 per cent reduction in corn planting acreage this year in a designated commercial Corn Belt.

There were 29 Pennsylvania counties in the commercial belt last year, 30 this year, and acreage allotted this year was 693,062 and last year 811,954.

Additional surplus supplies would be avoided by this reduction, the USDA advises, in line with the sharp reduction in livestock market values, over-expansion and over-production encouraged by cheap feed.

For the 840 counties of the United States in the designated area, 43,280,543 acres have been allotted in 23 states. Last year the allotment was 49,842,697 acres in 805 counties of 21 states

Precipitation Past 30 Days



This chart shows the general nature of the total precipitation which fell during the preceding 30 days. Precipitation is expressed in three classes: light, moderate, and heavy, and the precipitation amounts which determine these classes are obtained from an analysis of many years of record at many stations.

SNADER FARM SALE
Horse collars sold from \$2 25 to \$10 each, highlighting the public auction conducted by J. Raymond Snader between Denver and Stevens in West Cocalico Township Saturday. Three hundred Leghorn laying hens brought 15½ cents a pound, straw \$25-29, hay \$32.

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A top of \$140 was scored in the sale of 35 Hampshires bred gilts at the Stauffer Homestead Farm, R1 East Earl this week, with an average of \$70.

Weather conditions curtailed the crowd, which was limited to

less than 50, from Lancaster Berks, Lebanon and Chester counties.

Purchaser of the top gilt was Roy W. Shurr, Burdshoro, for Homestead Roxann 2nd, farrowed Feb 1, 1955, bred Oct. 7 to Stauffer's Masterpiece.

Hobart Farling, Findlay, Ohio, was auctioneer, assisted in the ring by fieldmen, Bill Miller of the Hampshire Swine Registry and the Hampshire Herdsman, Ethel Good was clerk.

ONE WAY TO DO IT.
BARKING, England — Becoming tired of the slovenly speech of his students, the headmaster of a school here decided to do something about it. He bought a tape recorder for the school, gets his pupils to record their voices—and then plays back recordings to prove how "slovenly" some speak.

Farm Calendar

- FEBRUARY**
- Feb. 1-29 - Dairy Farming Short Course, Pennsylvania U.
 - Feb 1-29 - Livestock Farming Short Course, Pennsylvania U.
 - Feb. 2 - Society of Farm Women*2, home of Mrs. Joseph Best, R2, Kirkwood.
 - Feb. 11 - Farm Society 7, Leacock Presbyterian Church social rooms.
 - Feb. 7 - Board of Directors Meeting, Lancaster County Farmers Assn., Fred Sollenberger home, Narvon
 - Feb. 13 - Farm meeting on anhydrous ammonia, at L. H. Brubaker's store, R3 Lititz, 7.30 p. m. 13—Doughnut Bake by Society of Farm Woman No. 2 at home of Mrs. Andrew Low, Manheim R4; telephone orders to Mrs John Dourte, Manheim 5-5067.
 - 14—Fernwood Grange (Chester County) meeting, featuring sisters' night.
 - Feb. 14 - Society of Farm Women No. 22 meeting at the home of Mrs Paul Miller, Lancaster R7. Bandage sew.
 - Feb 14 - Society of Farm Women No 22 covered dish social; members' husbands will be guests. Farm Bureau Building, Lancaster.
 - Feb. 15 - Deadline for requests to be placed on spray service letter mailing list, Harry S. Sloat, Associate Lancaster county agent.
 - Feb 22 - Annual Meeting, Lancaster County District of Southeastern Pennsylvania Artificial Breeding Cooperative, Landisville Fire Hall, 7:30 p. m.
 - Feb. 27-29 - Sheepmen's Short Course, Pennsylvania U.

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