

SOILS ADVISER
Robert G. Struble, R1 Kennett Square, has been named adviser-consultant in soil conservation.

Dr. William L. Henning, Pennsylvania state secretary of agriculture, has announced. He replaces Oscar A. Kimmell.

Mechanicsburg. Mr. Struble has been active as an assistant executive director of the Brandywine Valley Assn.

Fulton Grange Hall Addition Recalls Formal Opening of Oakryn Hall

LANCASTER FARMING here presents another in a series of articles "From Years Ago," written by Charles E. Slentz, Quarryville.

Fulton Grange No. 66 is planning to build an addition to its hall at Oakryn, Little Britain township. At a recent meeting of the Grange trustees and members of the executive and finance committees, plans were started for an addition to be built to the rear of the hall. Time was when the hall, acquired by No. 66 in 1951, was a house of worship—a Methodist church, then located a few miles below the State line in Maryland. Carefully dismantled—with windows, doors and sections intact—it came into the hands of a lumber dealer at Colora, Maryland. The lumberman sold the knocked-down structure to the Oakryn Cornet Band; that was early in 1708. As a band hall—and consequently destined to become the community center for musical events, plays, and various types of entertainment and public gatherings—it was opened to the public Feb. 8, that year.

The news, verbatim, was: "The formal opening of the Oakryn Band Hall Saturday proved to be a pleasant affair. A large number of persons attended. . . Samuel P. Paxson, one of the band's faithful and oldest members, presided at the exercises." Fitting addresses featured in the program, while "music was furnished by the Oakryn Cornet Band, Little Britain Orchestra, and Robert and Frank Scott."

Vestibule To Be Added

The new hall is 36x60 feet, with a stage 12x36 feet. The structure is well lighted by long windows and has a seating capacity of 400, exclusive of the stage; it is outfitted with chairs. A porch, with vestibule remains to be added, which will be done in the near future.

Thinking of adding things—whether porches, or what-have-you? of a radically different nature—one farmer, living in New Holland section, was sorely put to it to know what to add to a particular hog. That was 75 years ago, and the news, copied from *The Clarion* of the community, presents this amazing "inside" story: "A nearby farmer had a hog that refused to get any heavier no matter what brand of feed was stuffed into the animal. He finally decided the might as well butcher the pig. He discovered inside the animal 45 nails, 16 fair-sized stones, two hog rings and one key." It seems that the newsman of 1881 felt that, had the farmer "waited a little longer, he might have been able to stock a hardware store."

George W. Hensel, one-time venerable hardware merchant of Quarryville, would employ plenty of interest and wit in commenting on stocking a hardware store, were he here today. Mr. Hensel is being brought into the picture at this point because of a relic or souvenir that was added to his collection of keepsakes, 45 years ago at this time. It was a sickle—one with quite a history—given to him by Robert B. Risk, of Lancaster (This was Robert B Risk of "Observed and Noted" fame, whose contributions on what he observed and noted were widely read throughout the county, and far beyond—As for the sickle, it came into Mr Risk's possession along about 1891—a gift of the late John Long, of Liberty Square. "It was made by Mr. Long's father, James Long, who was one of the last to make them in this country. At one time the Long family were celebrated manufacturers, and carried on the business on a large scale, selling the goods through this and other states."

First In Farming

Our own county's New Holland Machine Company ranks plenty high among celebrated manufacturers, has contributed, and continues to contribute a wealth of improved equipment and machinery indispensable in the farming world. The loss sustained, in the instance of fire ravaging its processing plant on Lancaster County's old Fair Grounds, the last of January, is most regret-

table—but even greater achievements will possibly soon rise on the very ashes that now mark destruction.

For some time a subsidiary of Sperry Rand Corporation, with branches in nearly a dozen cities in the United States and one in Canada, this enterprising company flashed not fiery, but new of burning importance, none the less, early in 1906.

Again we turn to *The New Holland Clarion*, and quote "The New Holland Machine Company closed an important deal this week with a Chicago firm. The contract which was signed meant that the Chicago firm would purchase not less than 1,500 New Holland Feed Mills during the next year. This meant that virtually the entire output of the plant would go to the new customer." Feed mills, in 1906, expanded to take in even more sales in automatic hay balers, forage harvesters, forage blowers, farm wagons, tractor saws, baler twine and wire, tractor mowers, spreaders, etc. No wonder New Holland's implements are "First in Grassland Farming—And as for ourselves, meaning this publication? Sure, we're "First with Lancaster Farming!"

Lancaster farming, these many years, has been responsible for adding considerable weight to the State's tobacco market. In horse-buggy days, for instance, "Great loads of tobacco arrived here (Quarryville) today," typically reported *The Sun* of Jan. 31, 1911. The loads were "placed aboard the freight cars for Lancaster, having been bought by P S Hershey, of our town. More tobacco is being shipped from Quarryville than for years."

Forty, 50 years ago, day after day, in late January and through February, particularly, possibly 20, 30, sometimes even 40 or more teams (rigs of every size and description) — virtual caravans weighted with baled tobacco from Southern End farms—strung along the sidewalks, awaiting turns at the freight shipping platforms. Similar scenes were of course taking place at other shipping points in the county, in the early days of the century. Bumper-crop yields, matching or possibly surpassing Colerain township's top tobacco tonnage, also were doubtless being reported from every point of the compass in the Garden Spot. Citing Colerain's super harvest of the week in 1910: "Abram Rhoads, of Dry Wells, raised 23,430 lbs of tobacco on 11 acres, the past year."

And now, in closing, this "run of mill word: things were pretty tight in milling, February of 1895, with Cooney's, Pyle's, Ambler's, Browntown and Bradley's mills frozen up.

Peters Creek Mill did double duty part of that time, for we're apprised "A. E. Todd, its miller, has been running his mill day and night since the recent freeze-up."

Registered Ayrshires Sold to Two Breeders

Local dairymen have recently made an initial purchase of registered Ayrshires according to the Ayrshire Breeders' Association Executive Secretary, Chester C. Putney of Brandon, Vermont. They are David Myer, Quarryville, one, and Lloyd Groff, Gordonville, two.

The transaction was recorded in the National Office of the Ayrshire Breeders' Association in Brandon where complete records on all registered Ayrshires in the United States have been maintained since 1875.

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