

## Crop Summary Corn Planting Begins In County

Corn planting began in earnest this week with farmers experiencing nearly perfect weather for the job. Soil, getting very little rain this spring, worked up fine and was in excellent planting condition. However, many farmers are concerned that the lack of moisture may cause slow germination. Lack of moisture was beginning to show effects on pastures which are making very slow growth. Canning peas are making barely satisfactory growth, but need rain to continue. Rain and snow during the first two days of the week ended

May 6 added to the soil moisture content but soil moisture was still short in most areas of the state, the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service said Tuesday in its weekly crop and weather summary. Oat planting has been nearly completed. Oats in fields planted early have emerged but have very little because of cool, dry weather. Fall seeded grains, hay and pasture remained in fair condition and perked up slightly with the recent rains, but development was behind schedule. Planting of potatoes is well ahead of schedule in the southern counties. Earliest plantings appearing above ground were "nipped" by low temperatures during the week. Both rain and heat are needed to promote growth. Vegetable planting continued in many areas but was halted in others for lack of moisture. Many growers, particularly of peas and beans, who stagger their plantings to spread out the harvest period, have temporarily stopped planting to avoid a burdensome peak at harvest time. Fruit generally was past full bloom in the Adams-Franklin County area but still in bloom in the other fruit producing areas. Frosts during the week caused additional damage to some fruit, especially peaches and cherries in the southern section and grapes in the Erie area. Last week's weather was rather typical of early May. Some shower activity was noted but generally fair, sunny and breezy conditions with changeable temperatures prevailed throughout the period. Showers and thunderstorms Monday and Tuesday supplied the only significant rainfall of the week with amounts ranging from one-half to three-fourths of an inch.

## Governor Urges Farmers To Vote

HARRISBURG — Regardless of how they vote, Pennsylvania wheat growers today were urged by State Secretary of Agriculture Leland H. Bull to cast a ballot in the national wheat referendum May 21.

He advised farmers to investigate all factors involved in the proposed federal wheat program for 1964 and to make their own decisions.

He called attention to a new provision whereby growers of less than 15 acres of wheat will be able to vote in this year's referendum, provided they register by May 13 with their county Agricultural Stabilization office.

Secretary Bull urged the state's many small growers — those with less than 15 acres of wheat — to register before May 13 in order to become eligible to vote. He explained that eligibility to vote can be of consequence to them, in the event the referendum passes, whether they vote or not. Growers of over 15 acres need not register to vote.

Secretary Bull pointed out that while the state's wheat acreage has been declining in recent years, "wheat is still an important part of our agricultural economy." Wheat, he said, is No. 3 in value of production among Pennsylvania field crops and second in farmers' cash receipts from marketings.

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# ALL WHEAT GROWERS including those growing 15 acres or less MONDAY - May 13 Is The Last Day To Register

to vote in the coming wheat referendum.

## REMEMBER:

This time the small man has a VOICE. USE IT!  
There is no telling when small Pennsylvania wheat growers MAY GET THIS CHANCE AGAIN.

You can vote

for

or

against

But,

Whether you are for or against, you CANNOT participate if you do not register NOW, and to register you must sign form MQ-24, Notice of 1964 Wheat Farm Acreage Allotment, and get it to your County A.S.C. office on or before MAY 13.

The day to Vote is MAY 21.

Your 15-acre exemption will be eliminated and a system of tight restriction controls is proposed.

Congress feels that you should have a voice in this. The decisions based on this vote may well have FAR REACHING effects on the course of agriculture and your business of farming in the future.

If you are opposed to:

- Strict Controls.
- The classification of soft red wheat in the same set of controls as the REAL SURPLUS hard varieties.
- To giving others the power to plan your farm's production.

Then —

# DON'T STAY AWAY BUT REGISTER and VOTE

On the other hand, if you favor the proposed program your vote is also IMPORTANT. It takes two-thirds of you to make it effective.



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Todd 855	157.1	130.9	144.0
Pfister 436	130.0	152.3	141.2
Pioneer 323	132.7	140.2	136.5
Funks G96	143.4	127.2	135.3
Funks G91	133.0	131.6	132.3
Pioneer 3131	116.6	117.3	117.0
DeKalb 633	129.3	133.5	131.4
Funks G702	131.8	125.4	128.6
Funks G144	132.0	128.0	130.0
Todd 645	125.7	131.1	128.9
Todd 635	96.8	121.8	110.3
Farm Bureau 882	119.4	139.4	129.4
Farm Bureau G725	127.4	129.5	128.5
Eastern States 800	127.8	131.7	129.8
Pioneer 3166	106.9	144.4	125.7
Kastland 830	135.1	111.3	123.4
DeKalb 812	114.6	125.5	120.1
Eastern States NE 912	111.9	127.1	120.0
Farm Bureau 840	111.1	127.5	119.3
Pfister 418	121.8	113.9	119.1
Pioneer 325A	106.5	131.7	119.1
Eastern States 830	108.8	129.2	119.0
Farm Bureau 820	99.5	135.9	117.7
Eastern States NJ 8	109.8	125.1	117.5
Farm Bureau 807	103.6	130.6	117.1
Penna 825	102.1	112.0	117.0
DeKalb 869	93.1	125.7	113.4
Pfister 434	92.4	136.6	114.5
Funks 83	106.6	118.8	112.7
Eastern States G705	107.3	106.0	106.7
DeKalb 805	74.1	123.0	103.6
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