

# AGRICULTURE

## - OF LOCAL INTEREST TO - WAYNE COUNTY FARMERS

### WHAT THE CENSUS SHOWS.

Wayne county farms increased in value to the tune of \$600,000 in the ten years from 1900 to 1910. The actual value of the land decreased because of the falling off in farm acreage, but the value of buildings, farm implements and machinery and of domestic animals more than made up the drop in land value. Domestic animals on Wayne county farms, including poultry and bees, represented in 1910 the notable value of \$2,054,242.

Wayne adjoins Susquehanna county, and these two divisions of the commonwealth represent much of the wealth of the state in farm land and equipment.

Following is a summary of the United States census reports for Wayne county, as shown in the agriculture reports for the state of Pennsylvania:

A summary of the census follows:			
	1910.	1900.	
Population	29,236	30,171	
Number of farms	3,449	3,653	
Land in farms			
(acres)	375,557	386,536	
Improved farm land	123,486	145,505	
The average acreage of each farm is 108.9 acres. Eleven farms of Wayne county have an acreage of 1,000 and over.			

Operators of Farms.			
	1910.	1900.	
Owners	3,069	3,130	
Tenants	354	483	
Managers	31	50	
Of the farms reported 1,036 are mortgaged to the amount of \$889,909.			

Value of Farm Property.			
	1910.	1900.	
Total	\$11,537,272	\$10,897,583	
Land	4,333,807	4,991,840	
Buildings	4,375,480	3,602,430	
Machinery	773,713	638,690	
Dom. ani.	2,054,242	1,664,623	

Land per acre on farms is valued at \$11.54 as against \$12.91 in 1900. The average value of property per farm is \$3,345 and of land and buildings per farm, \$5,855.

Principal Crops.			
	Acres.	Bushels.	
Corn	3,031	97,640	
Oats	5,828	149,675	
Wheat	14	286	
Buckwheat	4,834	94,613	
Rye	1,054	14,052	
Potatoes	2,882	286,268	

The average planted in hay and forage totalled 65,890 and the production was 73,915.

Wayne county farms to the number of 3,240 reported farm animals valued at \$1,951,185. The detailed statement follows:

	Number.	Value.
Cattle	37,149	\$1,001,876
Horses	7,041	827,829
Mules	84	9,350
Asses	3	675
Swine	8,291	68,911
Goats	69	353
Bees colonies	3,261	15,272

Farm expenses in Wayne county are reported as follows: Labor—Farms reporting, 1,845; cash expended, \$164,724; rent and board, \$53,571. Feed—Farms reporting, 2,922; expended, \$482,284. Fertilizer—Farms reporting, 1,220; expended, \$29,588.

**Leading Crops of State.**  
The leading crops of the state in the order of their importance, as judged by value, are hay and forage, \$45,624,000; corn, \$27,331,000; wheat, \$22,921,000; oats, \$14,422,000; potatoes, \$11,974,000; tobacco, \$3,926,000; buckwheat, \$2,896,000; and rye, \$2,674,000.

Tobacco shows the highest average value per acre, being more than five times as great as wheat and over twice that of potatoes. The average value per acre of all cereals combined is \$16.27, which is slightly above the average of hay and forage and less than for either corn or wheat.

In average value per acre corn exceeds the other cereals, and wheat is a close second, while buckwheat and rye are less than one-half, and oats approximately two-thirds as great as corn in that respect. The average value per acre of hay and forage is about three-fourths that of corn.

A Washington, D. C., special of January 22 says: Farm land in Pennsylvania shows a great increase in value, according to a bulletin just issued by the United States Department of Agriculture, based on the census of 1910. There is a decrease in the number of farms as well as the acreage, while the farmer is growing better stock and using more expensive implements.

Pennsylvania ranks second in population and thirty-second in land area among the States and Territories of Continental United States. In physical features this State presents great diversity.

**Many Kinds of Soils.**  
The soils of Pennsylvania are extremely diverse in origin, physical characteristics and present uses. The soils of the southeastern portion are primarily devoted to the production of corn, wheat and grass, with oats as a secondary crop. The soils of the limestone valleys are primarily corn, wheat and grass soils. Of the State's entire land area, about two-thirds is in farms and the proportion is quite varied in the several counties, ranging from less than 20 per cent. in Cameron, Elk and Forest counties to 96.5 per cent. in Greene county. The variation in the proportion of land in farms is confined to no particular section, except that in general the counties adjoining the boundaries of the State show a higher percentage of farms than do the counties in the central part of the State.

The average value of farm land per acre for the whole State is \$33.92, and in only two counties, Cameron and Fulton, are the average values less than 10 per cent. In 29 contiguous counties, located mostly in the northern part of the State, the average values range from \$10 to \$25 per acre. Twenty-eight counties are in the \$25 to \$50 per acre class, and of these, 16 form a group lying in the eastern and southeastern part of the State, while a group of 11 lies in the western and southwestern part, and one county, Erie, in the extreme northwestern corner.

**Don'ts.**  
Don't oil the curtain of your open front house. It will rot and go to pieces.  
Don't depend on leaves for scratching material. The hens soon scratch them to dust.  
Don't buy a stack of corn unless you have a well ventilated place to store it. It will mold.  
Don't forget that success with poultry depends on the quality of the fowls and their care more than on the size of the flock.  
Don't get discouraged if those pullets don't lay right on the day you set. Some grow fast, some grow slow and before they lay must mature, you know.  
Don't despise oats as a grain because of its husks. It is the best balanced grain in protein and carbohydrates and is a wonderful frame builder and muscle maker.  
Don't get so fascinated with birds at the show as to forget that many show birds are the result of the ridiculous double mating system and when mated cannot produce their kind.

**Live Stock Notes.**  
Linsed meal contains bone-forming matter.  
Horses with tender feet need lots of attention.  
In the purchase of a new horse always purchase a mare.  
No domestic animals increase or decrease as rapidly as pigs.  
Parasites common to sheep infest southern flocks just as elsewhere.  
Keeping comfortable goes a long way toward making cheap pork.  
It is a mistake if the hog is not fed in a clean place free from dust and mud.  
It should be remembered that a horse can do more than his feet will stand.  
Any work or exercise which produces severe strain on the muscles, especially of the hindquarters, is liable to cause abortion in mares.

**The Rose Scale.**  
There is a mealy, white scale insect often found upon rose bushes, and raspberry and blackberry plants, which is sometimes mistaken for the San Jose scale. Growers of roses, raspberries and blackberries should watch for this and treat it according to the directions given by Prof. H. A. Surface, State Zoologist of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg.  
He says, "although this pest resembles superficially the San Jose scale, it is by no means the same pest, nor is it so serious. While the San Jose scale may attack nearly all fruit trees excepting the Kieffer pear and sour cherry, and also several kinds of shrubbery, and, indeed, some other trees, the Rose scale is practically confined to rose bushes and berry bushes.  
The scales are very white and circular in shape, and are easily brushed-off from the plants attacked. They are, like the scale insects, difficult to kill if the right materials are not used, but very easily destroyed if one understands spraying for scale insects. The lime-sulfur solution made, diluted and applied exactly as for San Jose scale, and at the same time or in other words, while the bushes or vines are dormant, will be sufficient to entirely control or eradicate this pest. Either home-bolled or commercial lime-sulfur solution will give satisfactory results, providing it is used thoroughly. There is no danger applying it too strong for the welfare of the plants."

**PAST COUNCILORS MEET.**  
Officers of Lackawanna County Junior Order United American Mechanics Present.  
Honesdale Council, No. 980, Junior Order United American Mechanics, held a rousing meeting with the Past Councilors Association of Lackawanna county Friday evening, it being the largest crowd yet. Honesdale Council lived up to its reputation as entertainers, in fact outdid herself, providing for the guests from Scranton, Hawley and South Canaan. The star attraction was the presence of President George L. Harvey of the Lackawanna association. In his heart to heart talk on the increasing membership he said it was not a speech, but just a few words from his heart. His words were most fittingly spoken and he received an ovation that evidenced his ability as a spokesman. The next speaker called was State Organizer Moses E. Harvey, vice-president of the Lackawanna association, who spoke on the association and brotherhood of the Juniors throughout the United States. Short addresses by members of the Wayne county association were very interesting. At the session Past Councilor J. D. Orchard of Honesdale Council, No. 980, was elected secretary to fill the office vacated by John Carmichael who goes to Rochester, N. Y. The association will meet again February 23, when it will make arrangements for visiting Hawley and South Canaan Councils.

### MILLINERY FADS.

Demi-Season Hat of Rich Rag Lace.



Courtesy of Ora Cne.

**SMART MODEL FOR BETWEEN SEASONS.**  
The hat seen in the illustration is a millinery creation designed for demi-season wear.

The chic little creation is made over a frame of thin flexible gold wire such as one often sees employed for an entirely different purpose—rat traps.

The connection between millady's dainty headgear and the beheading of M. Mouse is not an altogether happy one, but the effect of the chapeau part of the transaction is most pleasing. Rag lace, an original fabric in cream color, covers the wire frame. The confection is completed by a threading of black velvet ribbon through the lace and a plated fan shaped ornament of white malines.

**Woman in Epigram.**  
The whisper of a beautiful woman can be heard farther than the loudest call of duty.—Anonymous.  
The man who enters his wife's dressing room is either a philosopher or a fool.—Honore de Balzac.  
Heaven has no rage like love to hatred turned.  
Nor hell a fury like a woman scorned.—William Congreve.

**Woman is a creature between man and the angels.**—Honore de Balzac.  
Woman—the gods be thanked—is not even collaterally related to that sentimental abstraction called an angel.—Junius Henri Browne.

God bless all good women! To their soft hands and pitying hearts we must all come at last.—Oliver Wendell Holmes.

There are no ugly women. There are only women who do not know how to look pretty.—Antoine Pierre Berryer.

As for the women, though we scorn and flout 'em,  
We may live with but cannot live without 'em.—John Dryden.

**A woman's friendship is, as a rule, the legacy of love or the aims of indifference.**—Anonymous.  
There is no compensation for the woman who feels that the chief relation of her life has been a mistake. She has lost her crown.—George Eliot.

The secret of youthful looks in an aged face is easy shoes, easy corsets and an easy conscience.—Anonymous.

**Wrap With Set-in Sleeves.**  
This gorgeous flame pink or coral colored velvet wrap does not betray its splendid hue in the photograph, but

is very easy to make a new parol of an old one by carefully ripping off the old cloth and using it as a pattern to cut a new one, which may be made either of cretonne or English chintz.

**Some Tree.**  
One of the largest trees cut in Sullivan county in recent years was killed by Seth and William Peiton, last week. It was owned by the former, who lives near Sackett's Lake. The tree was a hemlock, measuring at the base, four feet and five inches, stood one hundred and twenty-five feet high and measured two thousand, four hundred and eighty-five feet of lumber when delivered at the mill. The bark peeled twenty-three hundred pounds.—Sullivan County Review.

**ON TRAIL OF SWINDLERS.**  
Americans Fleeced French Jewelers Out of \$100,000, It's Said.  
London, Jan. 25.—The officials of Scotland Yard believe they are hot on the trail of an American woman and a male accomplice who are accused of a robbery of jewels valued at \$100,000 from Noury of Paris. Some of the jewelry has been found in the shops of London pawnbrokers.

The beginning of the swindle dates back to last June, when an American woman who was staying at the Ritz hotel in Paris went to Noury's and purchased some small articles, which she paid for in cash. Three months later Noury got a letter from the American woman from Hampstead, a London suburb, asking him to send some sleeve links there. Noury did so, and the articles were paid for on delivery. Later on the woman wrote from Bayswater asking the Parisian jeweler to send jewels of the value of \$4,000 and enclosed a bill of exchange payable in March. Five pearl necklaces were sent, and last week the Paris merchant shipped on approval diamonds, pearl necklaces and earrings to the same woman at a Mayfair address.

The firm sent several requests for payment for the jewelry and on receiving no reply instituted inquiries.

**IN CORAL VELVET.**  
The graceful lines are apparent, and the new sleeve, draped at the lower edge and set into an armhole, is clearly shown.

**A Wise Girl.**  
The baseball player gazed softly at her.  
"Would you sign with me for the game of life?" he whispered tenderly.  
"That will depend somewhat on your batting average and your capacity for making home runs," she replied.—Harper's Weekly.

### WOMEN'S COLUMN.

**Recipes.**  
**Baking Powder Bread.**—One quart of flour, one tablespoonful of salt, a half teaspoonful of sugar, two heaping teaspoonfuls of baking powder, half of a medium sized cold well baked potato, and water, milk or equal quantities of each will be needed for this recipe. Sift thoroughly together flour, salt, sugar and baking powder, rub in the potato, add sufficient liquid to mix rapidly and smoothly into a stiff batter or soft dough. This will require about one pint of liquid. Turn at once into greased loaf pan, smooth the top with a knife dipped in melted butter and bake immediately in a moderate oven about one hour.

**Lemon Pie.**—Beat thoroughly the yolks of two eggs with one scant cupful of sugar, add two heaping tablespoonfuls of cornstarch, dissolved in milk; pour into the mixture one cupful of boiling water, add to this the juice and grated rind of one lemon, and when cooked pour into a baked crust. Beat the whites to a stiff froth, add one-half cupful of sugar and spread evenly on top. Put in the oven and allow to brown slightly.

**Apple Dumplings Royal.**—Take one quart of flour, thoroughly mix it with three teaspoonfuls of baking powder and a small teaspoonful of salt rub in a piece of butter or lard the size of an egg, and then add one small potato, grated in the flour. After the butter is well mixed, stir in the milk and knead to the consistency of soft biscuit dough. Break off pieces of dough large enough to close over four quarters of an apple or other fruit as desired, without rolling; lay in an earthen dish and steam until the fruit is tender. Serve with brandy sauce, milk or cream.

To remove creases from velvet or to raise the nap where it has been pressed down, take a moderately hot flatiron and rub the back of the velvet across the iron, holding the velvet in each hand and rubbing it across the iron with a steady, gentle pressure until the nap is raised.

**Making Jabots.**  
Many of those who admire the fancy neckwear and dainty jabots with frills and lace to be seen in the shops may not know that some of those designs can be copied quite easily.

To make one of white and pale pink linen take a triangular piece of pink linen and apply to the white by means of a row of buttonhole stitching. Groups of coilsports are then worked on the linen, and a narrow lace edging is sewed around the linen, which is then laid in narrow pleats and stitched in place.

An oblong piece of fine white cotton voile, with a pointed end, has three thin thread tucks on the point, sewed by hand. Wide lace is then sewed fast to the edge, with the corners mitred, where the point turns. This is then laid in a triple box pleat, the straight edge turned over and sewed down, and a row of small black satin buttons sewed down the centre.

From the topmost button two little inverted revers of black satin extend half-way to the point. This makes a novel looking jabot.

The jabot of embroidery, net and Irish lace is very elaborate, but with little trouble it can be made at home.

If you happen to have a bit of old embroidery, say the fichu that your grandmother wore when she was a young woman, it will make a beautiful bit for the centre of the jabot. Otherwise you can buy a revers of embroidered linen and attach the pleated net to the under side of one edge. On the other side is a pleating of linen edged with Irish crochet.

Pale blue linen embroidered with a dainty vine is joined to a pointed piece of white linen worked with small eyelets to form the side revers, that has an under pleating of fine lace edged linen.

**STRAW VOTE AT ALBANY.**  
Taft, Republican Choice, While Democrats Favor Harmon.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 25.—A careful poll of the senators and assemblymen in the New York state legislature to ascertain preferences regarding the respective party's candidate for the presidency shows that of the 120 Republican legislators seventy-one announced themselves for Taft, twelve for Hughes, two for Roosevelt, while thirty-five were noncommittal or absent.

Of the seventy-eight Democratic legislators forty expressed a preference for Harmon, while three were for Wilson, two for Underwood, three for Champ Clark, one for Gaynor, while twenty-eight were noncommittal or absent.

**Fatal Explosion on Barge Canal.**  
Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 25.—Two men were killed and several injured in a dynamite explosion on the barge canal construction.

**SELL ROYAL TREASURES.**  
Manchu Princes Reserve Best and Ask Fabulous Prices.

London, Jan. 25.—A Peking dispatch to the Daily Telegraph says a New York expert who has examined the treasures of the imperial palace at Mukden, Manchuria, says the 40,000 pieces of porcelain there are practically worthless. The best of the porcelains have been removed, but there are pearls, gold bronzes and objects of art which are highly valuable.

The sale of the imperial treasures in Peking has begun. Parisian dealers have already bought several million francs' worth of pearls. The Manchu princes are reserving the best porcelain, for which they are asking fabulous prices.

**Cause of the Mixup.**  
Police Justice—Jonas Snowkey, you are charged with assault and battery on an inoffensive citizen. What have you to say for yourself?

Prisoner—Your honor, I asked 'im, as civil-like as a man can be, how did he pronounce "McNamara." He told me it was accented on the peanut.

"Makku' fun of me, are ye?" I says, an' I chugged him one.—Chicago Tribune.

### MARQUIS DI SAN GIULIANO.

Italian Foreign Minister Regrets Stepping French Ship.



### ITALY BOWS TO FRANCE.

Will Give Up Turks Seized From French Steamer.

Rome, Jan. 25.—Marquis di San Giuliano, Italian foreign minister, and Camille Barrere, French ambassador to Italy, in a friendly interview discussed the capture of Turkish doctors and nurses from the French steamer Manouba.

The Italian foreign minister expressed regret that the incident should have threatened the cordial relations between France and Italy.

Paris, Jan. 25.—A dispatch from Rome says that Italy in reply to the demand of France will give up the Turkish nurses seized on the French steamer Manouba.

Another dispatch says the prisoners will be released as affiliated with the Society of the Red Crescent.

### BRYAN'S IDEA ADOPTED.

Publicity of Judgeship Indorsements Adopted by House.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The hand of William J. Bryan was laid on the house of representatives and that body gave its indorsement to one proposition that the Nebraska has been advocating in season and out for a long time. The house adopted an amendment to a judiciary bill, the amendment providing that "before the president shall appoint any district, circuit or supreme judge he shall make public all indorsements made in behalf of any applicant."

Mr. Bryan has repeatedly urged in the commoner the enactment of a law of this sort. While President Taft was on his western trip last summer Mr. Bryan made a public speech on the subject, to which Mr. Taft replied. Only a short time ago Mr. Bryan, speaking at the Jackson day banquet here, urged this scheme for publicity of judicial indorsements, but the Democrats did not anticipate that one of their number would spring the proposition. Representative Cullop of Indiana, a Bryan follower, turned the trick.

He offered the above amendment to the Evans bill, which creates an additional district judge in Chicago and drops one circuit judgeship, the latter being the one caused by the resignation of Judge Grosscup.

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