

### Farm Prospects Best Since 1920, Says Secretary

Pennsylvania Agriculture Has Made Phenomenal Progress

#### FARM INCOME WAY UP

(Special to The Post)

Despite late frost, drought and other handicaps which have discouraged farmers this year, agriculture in Pennsylvania is in a more favorable condition today than it has been for several years, according to J. Hansell French, Secretary of Agriculture.

"Farmers in our State are enjoying a greater measure of prosperity than they have experienced for a number of years, and prospects for the farmer in the Keystone State are brighter than they have been since 1920, to which year the agricultural troubles of the country date," Secretary French continued.

"Thousands of farmer correspondents have been piling up evidence of the new era for agriculture in the offices of the Federal-State Crop Reporting Service at Harrisburg. The impressive and gratifying facts I am about to cite are all drawn from this evidence.

"The cash income of Pennsylvania farmers was \$158,590,000 in 1932 and \$223,500,000 in 1935. The increase in 1933 was \$18,169,000 over 1932. The 1934 income was \$449,979,000 more than that of 1932 and the 1935 income exceeded that of 1932 by \$64,910,000, making a total accumulated gain in cash income for those three years of \$128,058,000.

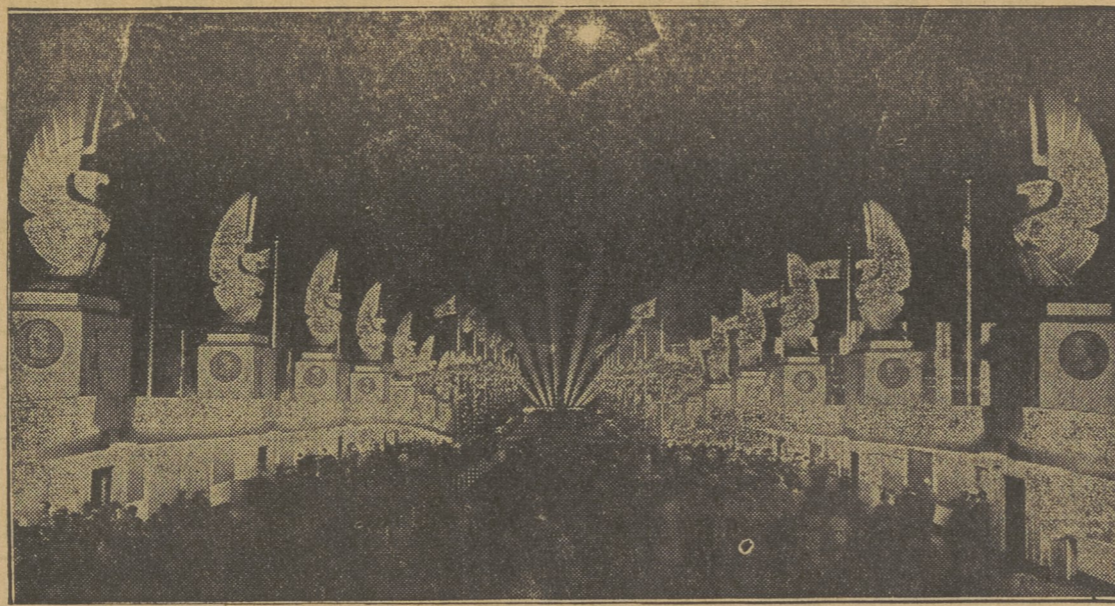
"The total farm value of horses, mules, cattle, sheep and swine in Pennsylvania was increased \$51,031,000 in the last three years.

"Pennsylvania farm land is worth 8 percent more today than it was in 1933. Between 1920 and 1933 this average value dropped 62 percent.

"During the twelve years of declining farm values, farm properties in Pennsylvania were a drug on the market, but today there is a good demand for farms in some sections of Pennsylvania and transactions involving the transfer of farm real estate are being reported from all sections. Small farms of from 5 to 10 acres are readily salable, especially near the larger centers of population.

"Farm product prices strike the most optimistic note when compared with the cash levels of four years ago. Pennsylvania farmers have been getting \$9.10 per 100 lbs. for their hogs this year. In 1932 hogs were bringing \$2.75. Beef cattle prices jumped from \$4.15 in 1932 to \$7.10 in 1935. Prices for veal calves are more than one-third higher than they were 3 years ago. And

### CLEVELAND'S GREAT LAKES EXPOSITION ST ARTS WITH BANG



A night view of the Court of Presidents at the Great Lakes Exposition which opened at Cleveland, O., last week. Some 4,000,000 people are expected to attend the \$25,000,000 fair before it closes in October. It occupies 125 acres on the lake front, including a 35-acre amusement zone. Pennsylvania

Week will be celebrated July 20-25 and Governor George H. Earle will visit the Exposition then. In the distant center in the unusual night photograph is the Aurora Borealis lighting of the Marine Theatre. Between it and the court of presidents is the double row of ships' masts flanking Lake Erie Plaza.

sheep prices have jumped from \$2.45 in 1932 to \$3.85 in 1936. Lamb prices are 50 percent higher and wool prices have increased by the same percentage. Horses that were bringing \$103.50 in 1932 are now selling for \$149. During the same period the price of mules on the farm increased from \$109 to \$150. Poultry, eggs, butterfat, milk and farm butter prices increased proportionately during this same period. In the spring of 1932 corn was selling for 25.1 cents per bushel and wheat was 37 cents per bushel. On May 15 of this year corn was up to 54 cents and wheat was selling for 83 cents a bushel.

"Perhaps the safest barometer of farm conditions is farm credit and I am able to report at this time that banks are again lending money to our farmers. The experience of the farm administration with payments on loans to farmers is convincing proof that the farmers of Pennsylvania are now in a position to maintain their credit at their local banks.

"Pennsylvania farmers who co-operated under the AAA with their co-workers of the soil for the advancement and for the present and future security of all agriculture, received from the Federal Government \$3,339,327.94 in AAA rentals and benefit payments. The farm credit administration has refinanced Pennsylvania farm loans totaling \$16,698,000 which represents a "scaling down" of principal in the amount of \$1,219,000 and an annual saving of interest of \$240,000. Every dollar of this represents a saving for farmers who have been in distress.

"In summing up we find the cash

#### Extra Service

Because of the unprecedented holiday traffic experienced on the Fourth of July the traction company put several extra large-size busses on the Dallas Harvey's Lake run. Similar heavy traffic on Sunday also made extra busses necessary.

farm income increasing rapidly and steadily, farm values within 10 per cent of pre-war levels, farm product prices from 25 per cent to 330 per cent higher, farm credit renewed, a new demand for farm properties, and a rapidly rising consumption of farm products.

"I congratulate Pennsylvania agriculture on the phenomenal progress it has made in the last three years."

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### Hard Rock Slows Work On Highway

First Concrete Poured Monday; Surveyors Are Completing Work

Thousands of pounds of dynamite, and day and night drilling shifts, have been used during the past several weeks by Holmes Construction Company contractors for the new Eatonville Evans Falls link of Route 92, in an effort to cut through great quantities of blue stone on the Copper Mine Hill section of the new highway. Unforeseen quantities of this hard rock underlying the right-of-way have considerably delayed construction.

First concrete on the new highway was poured on Monday and it is expected that pouring will now continue until the Copper Mine Hill section is reached where it will be considerable time before the company will get through the rock and be able to prepare a road bed for concrete.

Surveyors have about completed their work of relocating the road from Sugar Hollow to Tunkhannock. Their lines routed the highway through Eatonville but these lines have since

#### ANSWERS TO OUR PUZZLE CORNER

Hidden animals: lion in the upper left hand corner; deer in the lower left hand corner; crocodile in upper right hand corner; elephant in lower right hand corner.

C objects: cow, cat, cap, colt, carrot, car, clouds, chimney, cans, cart, cream.

What is the clown telling his friend? "Are you going to our circus today?"

The animal the kiddies are admiring is a hippotamus.

been changed to avoid passing through Eatonville entirely. Advertisements for bids are soon expected to be placed. Whether construction of this latter link will be started this summer has not yet been determined. Estimated costs of the survey on the Eatonville-Tunkhannock highway has already run into many thousands of dollars.

## STARTING NEXT WEEK

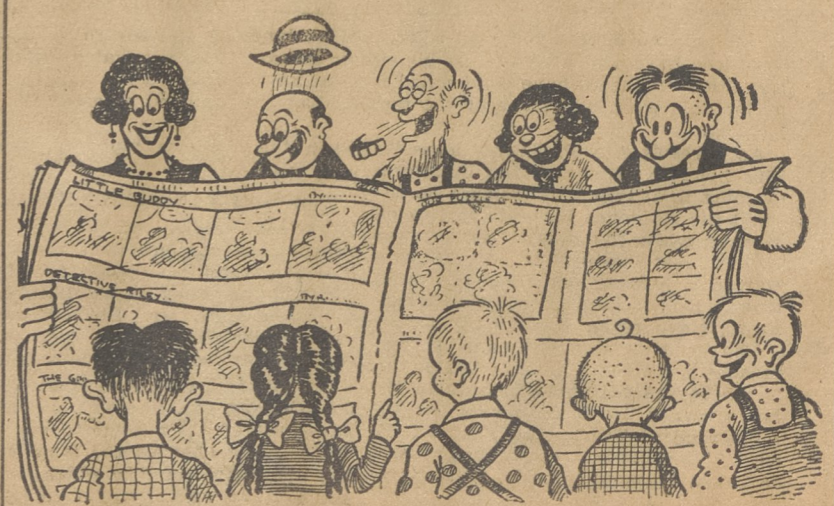
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• Watch for our next week's issue - and for every week thereafter. Read The Post regularly, and let our new comics bring you your full quota of enjoyment!



# GRAND OPENING

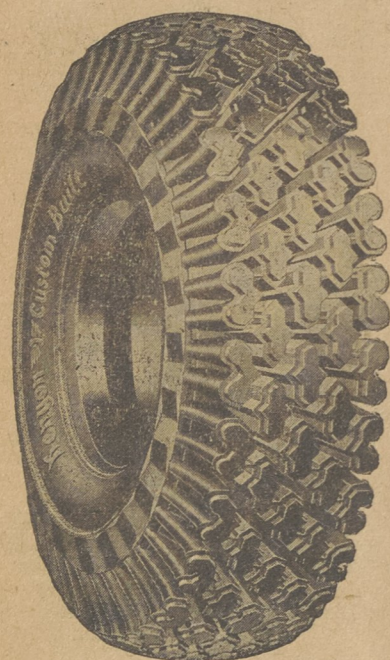
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