

Facts About Connecticut Farms

Number is Smaller But Value is Much Higher Than Decade Ago—Mortgage Debts Decreased.

E. Dana Durand, director of the 13th census of the United States, has issued a bulletin on agriculture in Connecticut giving complete statistics of farms and farm property, livestock, principal crops and farm expenses. The bulletin was prepared under the supervision of LeGrand Powers, chief statistician for agriculture. The statistics relating to farms and farm property are of the date April 15, 1910; those relating to farm operations are for the calendar year 1909.

Connecticut ranks 46th in area and 51st in population among the states and territories of continental United States. Over two-thirds, 78.3 per cent, of the state's total land area is in farms. In each county from 60 to 80 per cent of all land is in farms. New London county shows the highest percentage, 75.5, of land in farms, while Middlesex county shows the smallest proportion, 63.4 per cent. The four northern counties show higher proportions of farm land than do the southern counties, New London excepted.

The average value of farm land per acre for the state is \$33.03. In the eastern part of the state the value is from \$15 to \$25 per acre, while in Fairfield county the average value is from \$75 to \$100 per acre, or over two and a half times as high as for the state as a whole. Hartford and New Haven counties show an average value of from \$25 to \$30 per acre.

Progress of Last Decade. During the last 10 years there was an increase in the population of the state of 208,350, or 27.7 per cent, bringing the total population up to 1,134,758. In the same time there was a decrease of 115, or 0.5 per cent, in the number of farms, and of 176,296 acres, or 0.5 per cent, in the land. The relative increase in number of farms was much less than that in the average size of farm land, and the average size of farms decreased 4.3 acres, the present average size being 81.5 acres per farm. The total number of farms in the state is 26,817; the total land contained therein 1,134,758 acres. The amount of improved land 988,252 acres. The latter decreased 18,373 acres during the decade. The total value of farm property is \$159,399,171, an increase of \$46,094,191, or 40.7 per cent, over the total value in 1900.

This great increase is chiefly made up of increases of nearly \$20,000,000 in the value of land and of about \$21,000,000 in the value of buildings. There is also an increase of \$5,200,000 in the value of farm equipments, including implements and machinery, and of stock, of which over three-fifths represents a gain in the value of livestock. In considering these increases the general increase in prices of all commodities in the last 10 years should be borne in mind. The average value of a cow with its calf in 1900 was \$4,205, while 10 years later it was \$5,944. The average value of land alone rose from \$29.65 per acre to \$33.03, this advance being accompanied by increases in the average value per farm of implements and machinery and of livestock.

Windham County. The population of Windham county in 1910 was 45,361; the number of all farms, 2,859; the number of native white farmers, 1,883; of foreign-born whites, 471; of negro and other non-whites, 3; land area, 329,000; land in farms, 241,877 acres; improved land in farms, \$3,845,000; woodland, 90,123 acres; unimproved land, 84,999 acres; average acres per farm, 102.3; value of all farm property, \$3,206,900; of land, \$3,785,429; of buildings, \$2,446,981; of implements and machinery, \$228,257; of domestic animals, poultry, etc., \$12,131; average value per acre, \$2,245; per farm, \$1,157.2.

The number of farms reporting domestic animals were 2,141, of a total value of \$1,060,408. The total number of those reported was 18,561, valued at \$567,277; of horses, 3,890, valued at \$450,205; of mules, 15, valued at \$1,915; of asses and burros, 2, valued at \$95; of swine, 24,995, valued at \$29,940; of sheep, 2,254, valued at \$11,555; of goats, 80, valued at \$300; of poultry, 106,700, valued at \$72,700; of colonies of bees, 484, valued at \$2,205.

The number of farms operated by owners was 2,005; by tenants, 275; by managers, 73. The value of mortgage farms was \$1,650,593, and amount of mortgages, \$440,860. The amount expended for labor was \$22,705; for feed, \$440,915; for fertilizer, \$80,043. The principal crops raised were corn 195,824 bushels, oats 39,696 bushels, buckwheat 4,700 bushels, rye 6,116 bushels, potatoes 180,217 bushels, tobacco 430 pounds, hay 45,794 tons.

Tolland County. The total population of Tolland county in 1910 was 25,459; number of farms, 2,151; native white farmers, 1,522; foreign white farmers, 315; negro or other non-white, 3; land area, 253,560 acres; land in farms, 194,248 acres; improved land in farms, 65,976 acres; woodland in farms, 75,844 acres; other unimproved land in farms, 45,489 acres; average acres per farm, 75.1; value of all farm property, \$7,295,267; of land, \$6,040,784; of buildings, \$3,471,407; of machinery and implements, \$460,408; of domestic animals, poultry, etc., \$1,022,738; average value per farm, \$3,700; land per acre, \$15.65.

The number of farms reporting domestic animals were 1,868, of a total value of \$831,235. The number of cattle reported were 16,507, valued at \$252,182; of horses, 3,345, valued at \$356,759; of mules, 19, valued at \$4,250; of asses and burros, 2, valued at \$1,050; swine, 3,278, valued at \$39,005; sheep, 142, valued at \$7,092; goats, 13, valued at \$226; of poultry, 58,573, valued at \$68,024; of colonies of bees, 486, valued at \$2,179.

The number of farms operated by owners was 1,961; by tenants, 137; by managers, 62. The value of mortgage farms was \$2,291,958, and amount of mortgages, \$529,608. The amount expended for labor was \$242,493; for feed, \$495,867; for fertilizer, \$55,928. The principal crops raised were corn 141,145 bushels, oats 18,197 bushels, buckwheat 3,084 bushels, rye 7,659 bushels, potatoes 177,893 bushels, tobacco 32,873 pounds, hay and forage 48,720 tons.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION OF ST. JAMES' LODGE

James L. Hubbard Made Worshipful Master for the Ensuing Year—Jewel Presented Past Master Buckingham.

At the annual communication of St. James' lodge, No. 23, F. and A. M., at Masonic temple on Tuesday evening, the reports for the year were read and showed the lodge to be in an excellent condition, both numerically and financially. There were three raised during the year, one omitted and six died. The deceased members for the year were: Ralph H. Fillmore, Henry Phelps, George A. Bullock, George A. Allen, Arthur P. Gleason and LeRoy Washburn.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Worshipful master, James L. Hubbard; senior warden, Guy B. Dolbeare; junior warden, Arthur M. Cobleigh; treasurer, Albert S. Comstock; secretary, Charles C. Calkins; senior deacon, Arthur G. Jenkins; junior deacon, William L. Williams; stewards, John H. McNeely; junior steward, Charles A. Ranger; chaplain, P. Leon Hutchins; marshal, K. Herwig; George; musical director, Ebenezer Learned; Tyler, Irving N. Gifford; finance committee, P. Leon Hutchins, Walter K. Gilbert, Walter M. Bennett, Lam; trustees, Henry L. Bennett, S. Alpheus Gilbert, Gilbert L. Hewitt.

The officers were installed by Past Master F. R. S. Comstock, assisted by Past Master P. Leon Hutchins as marshal.

Past Master Comstock, in behalf of the lodge, presented Walter M. Buckingham, the retiring master, with a past master's jewel, referring to his excellent work as master of the lodge and speaking of the honor which such a badge carries with it. This jewel was accepted with words of appreciation by Past Master Buckingham.

James L. Hubbard, who was elected worshipful master, was raised to St. James lodge Nov. 18, 1907, and has thus reached the worshipful master's chair after four years. He is deeply interested in Masonry, being a 2nd degree Mason. He is the son of Charles F. Hubbard, one of the active 294 degree Masons of the state and deputy for Connecticut. He is certain of the best in Franklin chapter, conductor in the council, generalissimo in the conv. mundry, master of ceremonies in King Solomon Lodge of Perfection and Van Rensselaer council, Perfices of Jefferston, and junior warden in Norwich chapter, Rose Croix. Under his direction St. James promises to have a year of interest and prosperity.

WELL PATRONIZED SALE BY RELIEF CORPS. Buckingham Memorial Made Attractive for the Occasion—Supper Served. One of the pretty sales of the Christmas season was held on Tuesday afternoon at Buckingham Memorial from 2 to 7 o'clock by Sedgwick corps, No. 16, W. R. C., offering a large variety of attractive articles for the patrons who came to the parlors at the Memorial. Christmas red and green made the rooms bright and cheerful and the ladies were prettily decorated. The executive committee, of which Mrs. Lydia F. Perkins is chairman, was in general charge, and the following were at the tables: Cake, Mrs. Susan Kampf, Mrs. Almida Field, candy, Mrs. Dorothea W. Dalton, Mrs. Esther H. Elin, fancy table, Mrs. Elizabeth Banfield, Mrs. Maud Baker, Mrs. Jennie Seed, aprons, Mrs. Marietta A. Wright, Mrs. Annie A. Dean, Mrs. Julia A. Kier, Mrs. Margaret Sample, Christmas mystery tree, Mrs. C. C. Calkins; ice cream, Mrs. William Brewster, Mrs. Marie Disque, Mrs. Nellie S. Bryant.

Tingley Has Most Points. Three events in the Academy club series of athletics at the Y. M. C. A. gym have been run off, leaving C. Tingley in first place with a total of 204 points. W. Farbox is second, 192 points. The events were the two-lap run, standing broad jump and climbing the bar. There are 19 in the contest, of whom the top scorers after the leaders are R. W. Young 168, Hull 162, J. Purvis 149, G. E. Harriet 135, and C. Crowe 132.

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