



WASTED OPPORTUNITIES MEAN LOWER EARNINGS
I
N no line'of business have the people who engage in that bus-
iness learned all there is to be learned. There is alwavs ods are anderway
He desires to adopt new tactics if convinced he will bocto point before going in too deeply. It would be as unwise to the ultra radical in trying a new plan as to be ultra conservative about acceptance of new ideas. These remarks are pronp.
by a story in the East Oregonian yesterday about sunflower pro not growa in this county on a commerciai basis but tnis year si flowers were rased on 300 acres and it is declared the sunflower silage is about 28 good as corn silage and that the crop
tvice as heavy : 2 corn. If these statements are correct expect to see the sunflower figure more and more in the cro
report of the country as time goes by. A fact that will work this end is that we need more diversification in our wheat regio as well as elsevare. Under the present price of land wheat
raising is a burincas that involves difficulties. When the wheat raising is a businc:33 that involves diificulties. When the whei
market is good ail s well but we never know from year to year what the price will be. Necessarily the grower would le safe guarded could he find a plan whereby he would not be absolute ly dependent upon wheat. We may not expect any other sort iogical to predict that the time will come, if oft is not already her when a farmer by a yudicious program of diversification much to wards increasing his profits and his security.
the narrower the margin of profit in wheat the more the narrower the margin of profit in wheat the more necessar
that a farmer reaiize on all the opportunities open to him much of the land in Umatilla county it is possible to do more in this line than is heing done. Where sucn opportunities exist an are not made

## VALUE OF FARM PROPERT

T $\$ 818,559751$ as against ant in oregon last year wa $\$ 528,243,782$ in 1910, according to the census bureau. The value of all farm properiy in the United States on Jan
ary 989,078 , as compared with $\$ 40,991,449,090$ in 1910 . The in thus $\$ 26,934,539,983$, or 90.1 per cent.
Four states reported farm property valued at more than $\$ 4$,
$000,000,000$ in 1920 , as follows: lowa, $\$ 8,525,270,956$; 1llinois $\$ 6,666,817,235$; Texas $\$ 4,461,579,497$; and Nebraska $\$ 4$ 193, The avera
United States as a whole in 1920 was $\$ 12,085$, as compared with $\$ 6,444$ in 1910 . wak atove $\$ 25,00$. . D . Nebraska, with $\$ 33,707$; Nevada with Dakota with
$\$ 32,707$; Nevada, with $\$ 31.546$; California, with $\$ 29,158$; and
Illinoik with $\$ 28,109$. Illinois with $\$ 28,109$.
The value of farm land alone in the United States in 1920
was $854,903,453,925$, as compared with $\$ 28,475 ; 674,169$ in was $854,903,453,925$, as compared with $\$ 28,475,674,169$ in
1910, representing an increase of $\$ 26,427,779,756$, or 9228 per 1910, representing an increase of $\$ 26,427,779,756$, or 2.8 per
cent. This value was obtained by subtracting from the value reported for farm land and buildings together (total real estate
value) the value reported separately for buildings. value) the value reported separately for buildings.
as compared with $\$ 4,476$ in 1910.
Farm buildings in the United States were valued at $\$ 11,430$
875.631 in 1920, as con 855,631 in 1920, as compared with $£ 6,325,451,528$ in 1910 . Thi
represents an increase of $85,105,404,103$, or 80,7 per cent represents an increase of $85,105,404,103$, or 80.7 per cent.
The average value of buildings per farm in 1920 was $\$ 1,773$, .hile the average in 1910 was $\$ 994$
The value of farm implements and machinery in 1920 was enting an increase of $\$ 2,330,167,238$, or 184.2 per cent arge increase is due in part to the fact that prices of farm in dlements and machinery were unusually high at the beginning oi the year 1920 .
The value of implements and machinery per farm in 1920
was $\$ 558$, as against $\$ 199$ in 1910 . The yalue of livestock on farms in the United States in 1920 was $\$ 7,996,362,496$ as compared with $\$ 4,925,173,610$ in 1910 .
This represents an increase of $\$ 3,071,188,886$, or 62.4 per cent. Nine states reported livestock valued at more than $\$ 300,000$ 00 in 1920, as follows: $10 w a, \$ 614,326,268$; Texas, $\$ 589,321$
583 ; Illinois $\$ 446,154,064 ;$ Missouri, $\$ 389,839,045$; Nebrask \$328,460,991; Wiconsin, $\$ 822,312,115$; Kansas $\$ \$ 18,025,292$; New York $\$ 313,554,695$; and Minnesota, $\$ 305,163,825$.
The average value of livestock per farm in 1920 was $\$ 1,240$, as against $\$ 774$ in 1910 .

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