

Our most important agricultural resources are, - hay, grain, live-stock, poultry, cream, milk and eggs.

At one time our land was ploughed by one or two furrowed ~~plows~~ horse-drawn plows but now it is worked by 3 or 4 furrow tractor powered plows. This change to tractor farming has taken place largely within the last 25 years.

Here as elsewhere, farms are becoming larger and farm help scarcer with the result that farmers often work in small groups for haying, harvesting and silo-filling, using one set of costly machinery instead of each farmer having to have a set of his own, thus solving the problem of help & equipment.

In the home too, the farmer's wife no longer has to provide meals for 15 or 18 men. Less than half that number are all that are usually required. Still she has plenty to do! In the busy season she sometimes drives the tractor for her husband, taking the place of an extra man.

Women still milk cows as they did 25 or 30 years ago; and in most cases the help is larger than it was then but quite often some of the drudgery is taken out of the chore by the use of a milking machine; and there are farms now where little or no milking at all is done.

Most farm women still raise a flock of chickens each year; but it is in no haphazard fashion now. "Biddie", the unreliable hen has lost her job. The farmer's wife can no longer afford to depend on her,