The long-term migration from the farm to the city, accelerated since the early Forties by war and by the great increase in non-agricultural employment opportunities, has brought the farm population down to a new low.

Figures compiled jointly by the U. S. Bureau of the Census and the Department of Agriculture put the number of persons on farms at 21.9 million in April this year. This was equal to 13% per cent of the country's entire population, the lowest proportion on record.

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ing on farms was over 25 million and the proportion to the total population was 16.6 per cent. Just before Pearl Harbor, in 1941, the farm population was 30 million and represented 22.7 per cent of the entire U. S. population. Back in 1910, the first year for which figures are available, the farm population exceeded 32 million and represented more than a third of the

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Year	Population	Population
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1920	32.0	30.1
1930	30.5	24.9
1940	30.5	23.2
1945	25.3	18.1
1947	27.1	18.9
1949	26.0	17.6
1951	24.2	15.7
1953	22.7	14.3
1954	21.9	13.5
Sources:	U. S. Bureau of	
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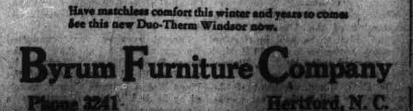
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