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Donald Evans requested that I send you information regarding
County Commissioners and Extension Service--

We have no signed agreements between County Commissioners
and Extension Service.

The Act is what told the County Commissioners to authorize
county funds for extension work.

The Act also stated that County Commissioners are also
authorized to provide offices in the county courthouse for
headquarters for such cooperative work.

Enclosed is a copy of an Act approved in 1913.

Also enclosed is a copy of information from Lynn Herman. This Act
eliminated the maximum dollar figure.

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AN ACT authorizing the board of County Commissioners of the several counties of the state to appropriate money for the cooperative agricultural extension work, for the purpose of improving and developing the agricultural resources of the proper counties.

Preamble

WHEREAS, The United States Department of Agriculture is starting a cooperative work with the Pennsylvania State College, having for its ultimate object the locating of a trained agricultural agent in every county; and

WHEREAS, Certain measures now pending in Congress provide for a complete, gradual development of such work through the Agricultural Extension Departments of the various Land Grant Colleges of the country; and

WHEREAS, One of the conditions of such cooperative work is that the state, county, college, or local authorities bear at least half of the expense;
NOW THEREFORE, --

County Commissioners

SECTION 1, BE IT ENACTED, that the Board of County Commissioners of each county are hereby authorized to appropriate from the funds of the county a sum, not to exceed thirty-five hundred dollars (\$3500) annually, for agricultural extension work, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania State College, in encouraging improved methods of farm management and home economics and giving practical instruction and demonstrations in agriculture for the purpose of improving and developing the agricultural resources of the county.

Agricultural Extension Work

Offices

SECTION 2, Where practicable and desirable, the board of County Commissioners are also authorized to provide offices in the county Court House for headquarters for such cooperative work.

Rules and Regulations

SECTION 3, The money so appropriated shall be expended according to rules and regulations prescribed or approved by such board of county commissioners.

APPROVED - the 14th day of May, A. D. 1913.

Amended as follows:

1929 -- 3500	1956 -- 15,000
1931 -- 5000	1959 -- 18,000
1947 -- 7500	1961 -- 20,000
1951 -- 12000	

Amount was changed over the years

COUNTY CODE

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tions or interested citizens shall have made substantial contributions toward such restoration and preservation.

(1931 added Aug. 14, 1963, P.L.838, No.406)

(e) **Animal and Plant Husbandry**

Section 1935. Appropriations to Societies for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.—The board of commissioners may appropriate moneys toward the maintenance of any organization or society, incorporated under the laws of this Commonwealth, for the prevention of cruelty to animals and which, for a period of at least two years prior to the making of such appropriation, shall have been engaged in carrying out the purposes of its incorporation, in whole or in part, within said county.

Section 1936. Cooperative Extension Work in Agriculture and Home Economics.—The board of commissioners may make appropriations annually for agricultural and home economics extension work, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania State University in encouraging improved methods of farm management and home economics and giving practical instruction and demonstrations in agriculture, for the purpose of improving and developing the agricultural resources of the county. An educational program will be conducted to include the body of scientific knowledge in agriculture, family living, and resource development and to encourage application of the same. The money so appropriated shall be expended according to rules and regulations prescribed or approved by the board of commissioners. The board of commissioners may also, where practicable and desirable, provide offices in the county court house for headquarters for such cooperative work.

(1936 amended Aug. 17, 1967, P.L.241, No.92)

Section 1937. Agricultural or Horticultural Societies.—The county commissioners are hereby authorized to make appropriations annually out of the current revenues of the county to any incorporated agricultural or horticultural society or association located within the county. The total amount of any such appropriation in any one county shall not exceed fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500) in any one year. Where more than one such society or association is located in the county, the amount appropriated may be distributed and divided among said societies and associations in such proportions and such amount as the board of commissioners, in its discretion, may determine.

The county commissioners are hereby authorized to make additional appropriations annually out of the current revenues of the county to any incorporated agricultural or horticultural society or association regardless of where the same is located within the Commonwealth. Such appropriations may be made in the amount of three hundred dollars (\$300) or more, but the total amount of such additional appropriations shall not exceed fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500) in any one year.

(1937 amended May 15, 1963, P.L.40, No.36)

Section 1938. Suppression of Animal and Plant Disease.—The board of commissioners is hereby authorized to make appropriations from county funds for the purpose of controlling and suppressing dangerous