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**SERIES XVI. FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION**

**NO. 38. RHODE ISLAND**

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PREFACE

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R. A. McLeod, State Supervisor  
The National Archives Project  
in Rhode Island



FARM CREDIT DISTRICT NO. 1PROVIDENCE

DISTRICT SUPERVISOR  
Palmer Bldg., 100 Fountain St.

On October 3, 1934, the Farm Credit Administration established an office in Providence as a branch of the Springfield, Massachusetts, office, for the purpose of assessing farm lands and investigating applications for loans forwarded to them from Springfield. These applications are investigated by field agents approved by the district supervisor with his recommendations, and forwarded to the Federal Land Bank in Springfield for action. Other duties of the office are collection of payments on loans, and the handling of defunct real estate. Original reports are submitted to Springfield while memorandum copies are filed at this office. The area serviced by this office is comprised of the states of Rhode Island and Connecticut, and Worcester, Middlesex, Bristol, Norfolk, Plymouth and Barnstable counties in Massachusetts.

1. FARM LOAN APPLICATIONS, Sept. 1, 1917 to date. Form 4-2, reports show application number, location of farm, amount of loan applied for, description and condition of farm, financial statement and security offered, crop yields and value under present development of farm and total gross value of products. Field notes by appraiser showing description of buildings, machinery and live stock, description of adjoining farms and property, and recommendation or disapproval of application. 3 x 5 card index, filed alphabetically, numerically, and by counties. (Daily, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 folders, and  $5\frac{1}{2}$  x 9 loose sheets, 23 ft.  $5\frac{1}{2}$  in., in drawers of metal filing cases. R. 305. (1190, 1189, 1188, 1187, 1186, 1185, 1179)

2. REPORTS ON APPLICATIONS FOR LOANS ON EXPECTED CROPS FOR PROVIDENCE, TAUNTON AND WORCESTER DISTRICTS, Jan. 1, 1934 to date. Records show investigator's summary of general conditions of farm and equipment, estimated crops for year, credit risks, and recommended disposition of application. 3 x 5 card index, filed alphabetically, numerically and by counties. (Daily, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 folders, 5 ft., in drawers of metal filing cases. R. 305. (1173, 1172, 1171)

3. FARMS SOLD ON CONTRACT IN RHODE ISLAND, MASSACHUSETTS AND CONNECTICUT, Jan. 1, 1934 to date. Form 632, Contract C, permanent record of foreclosures shows date, name and address of former owner, location of farm, name and present address of purchaser, date of purchase, price, amount of down payment, date of possession, by whom sold and kind of terms. (Monthly, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 folders, 1 ft. 4 in., in drawer of metal filing case. R. 305. (1183)



4. FEDERAL LAND BANK AND LAND BANK COMMISSIONER'S APPLICATION RECORD, Apr. 1, 1934 to date. Form 17-2, name and address of applicant, district and application numbers, amount of loan applied for, date application signed and received, amount of present mortgage, name and field notes of appraiser, amounts recommended and approved, and date loan granted. 3 x 5 card index, filed alphabetically, numerically, and by counties. (Daily, official.)  $5\frac{1}{2}$  x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  loose sheets, 1 ft. 3 in., in 2 drawers of wooden filing case. R. 305. (1193)

5. WEEKLY SUMMARY OF WORK DONE, Apr. 6, 1934 to date. Reports show names of appraisers, amount of work accomplished weekly, including number of appraisals, investigations and inspections made. (Monthly, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 folders, 2 in., in drawer of metal filing case. R. 305. (1180)

6. FIELD DEPARTMENT REPORTS FOR CONNECTICUT AND MASSACHUSETTS, Jan. 1, 1934 to date. Form 77-1 (Rev.), reports showing association and application numbers, amount of loan applied for, name and location of farm, detailed description of farm and equipment such as: condition of tools, kind of crops raised, et cetera, comments on dairy, live-stock and poultry, credit risk and ability of applicant to repay loan, and signature of investigator. Reverse side shows a descriptive list of property to be covered by mortgage such as: breed, sex, name, color, age, weight and condition of cattle and horses, kind of machinery and equipment, and estimated yield of crops. (Older records, never; current records, daily, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 folders,  $7\frac{1}{2}$  in., in 2 drawers of metal filing case. R. 305. (1181, 1182)

7. ASSIGNMENT CARDS (PROSPECT RECORD), Jan. 1, 1935 to date. Form 20-49, name and address of prospective buyer, location, type of farm and equipment desired, amount of down payment, other security offered, and financial status of prospect. Filed under the name of the field agent to whom prospect is assigned. (Daily, official.)  $5\frac{1}{2}$  x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  loose sheets, 10 in., in drawer of wooden filing case. R. 305. (1175)

8. RECORDS OF BANK PROPERTY AND FARMS UNDER PROCESS OF FORECLOSURE, Jan. 1, 1935 to date. Form 20-47, name and location of property acquired by bank, amounts of loan made, and of indebtedness, sale price, and description of land and buildings with contract reports. (Daily, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 folders, 2 ft. 1 in., in 2 drawers of metal filing case. R. 305. (1194, 1191)

9. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE, Aug. 1, 1935 to date. Correspondence pertains to office personnel and includes instructions to appraisers, weekly weather reports, inspection records of farms in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and Connecticut which have loans from Federal Land Bank, repayment of loans which have not been made on due date, et cetera. (Daily, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 folders, 2 ft. 4 in., in 3 drawers of metal filing case. R. 305. (1176, 1184, 1177)

10. PRODUCTION CREDIT APPLICATION RECORD FOR MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND, Jan. 1, 1936 to date. Record shows applicant's name and address, date and amount of loan applied for, credit risk and financial status. (Daily, official.)  $5\frac{1}{2}$  x  $8\frac{1}{2}$  loose sheets, 5 in., in drawer of wooden filing case. R. 305. (1174)



11. FARM LOAN BANK TRANSMITTALS, Jan. 1, 1935 to date. Transmittals show fees collected from applicants as payments on loans due, and forwarded to loan banks. 3 x 5 card index, filed alphabetically, numerically and by counties. (Weekly, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 folders, 5 in., in drawer of metal filing case. R. 305. (1192)

12. STATEMENT OF DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS, Oct. 28, 1936 to date. Statements show name and address of delinquent, loan number, amount in arrears, amount due with interest and total unpaid balance. (Daily, official.)  $8\frac{1}{2}$  x 13 folders and loose-leaf books, 2 ft. 2 in., in drawer of metal filing case. R. 305. (1178)



