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Samuel A. Roop, For upwards of 30 yrs. Samuel A. Roop has been a recognized factor in the farm and community life of St. Mary's Twp., close to the OH state line. He and his family have a highly cultivated farm of 123 acres, and Mr. Roop has done much in the way of high class livestock. In past yrs. he has made something of a specialty of Barred Rock chickens. His farm is on Rural Route No. 6 out of Decatur.

Mr. Roop is a native of Van Wert County, Ohio, but his birthplace was only two miles southeast of where he now lives. He was born there November 19, 1867, a son of Samuel and Margaret (Frisinger) Roop, the former a native of PA, and the latter of , Van Wert, Ohio. His parents married in Ohio and spent their lives as farmers in that state. They were good and faithful members of the Methodist Episcopal Church and fraternally the father affiliated with the Masonic Lodge. They reared a large family, eleven children in all, and seven are still living, two daughters and five sons: Rosa, wife of Samuel Acker; Sarah, wife of John Dealy; and James, Joseph, Amos, Albert and Samuel.

Samuel A. Roop grew up on his father's farm just over the state line in Ohio, and had a good training for the serious responsibilities of life both in the common schools and by the work that was assigned him at home.

10 Jan 1889, he married Miss Etta Acker, who was born on the farm where the couple lives, and also had a common school education. Mr. and Mrs. Roop have nine children: Viola, Samuel R., Estella, Walter, Daisy, Harry, Helen, Leah and Forest. Mr. Roop is a democratic voter.