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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

County Agents have both a need and a reasonable expectation to be made aware of IANR program activities in their counties. They are staff colleagues with specific program responsibilities and relationships to the people and organizations in a county. It is important to them and to us all that they not be caught "off guard" by our activities in their area. This is not a process of seeking approval of the Agent, but is basically a professional courtesy to an institutional colleague.

While their specific program responsibilities relate to Extension, their public appropriately regards them as representatives of all agricultural and/or home economics programs of the University. This of course includes activities of research, testing, demonstration, etc., conducted at off-Station facilities by Experiment Station staff.

If the Agent is to have any involvement in arrangements for, conduct of, or follow-up on the activity, he should be brought in on the early planning. Whether or not your objectives require his involvement, there may be opportunity for "greater mileage" through also relating it to his program. Let us not let terms like "extension" or "research" interfere with team effort in serving agriculture.

R. W. Kleis

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ROLES OF THE UN-L FIELD LABORATORY AND THE DISTRICT STATIONS: In April, 1962, approximately 8,600 acres of land was acquired at the former Nebraska Ordnance Plant, Saunders County, Wahoo, Nebraska. In 1966 an additional 640 acres were acquired. These tracts of land and buildings have been developed into the UN-L Field Laboratory. The translocation of animal and plant research projects from Lincoln to the Field Lab occurred between 1964 and 1978. A 350-acre parcel of land is being retained at Havelock for labor intensive research projects. The Havelock swine farm will be completely phased out by July 1, 1978, completing the shift from Lincoln.

With the development of research programs and facilities at the Field Laboratory, it is considered to be the field research unit for the campus based staff of the Agricultural Experiment Station. It serves the statewide program and the Southeast District as well as the other four districts, where applicable.

The district stations provide for research requiring the specific conditions represented in their respective areas. They also provide for district specialists involvement in research and the inherent on-site demonstration value. Individually and in total we believe that these units serve well the agricultural research needs of the state.

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PERSONNEL ACTIONS
Bodman, Gerald R. - Ag. Engineering - Assoc. Professor - New Appointment
Bucklin, Judith - Human Dev. & Family - Instructor - Leave of Absence
Christensen, John M. - P.H. Dist. Ext. Forester - Resignation (to Okla. State Univ.)
Johnson, Grant I. - Ag.Comm. - Asst. Professor - Retirement
Meyer, George E. - Ag. Engineering - Asst. Professor - New Appointment
Morrow, T. - Horticulture - Assoc. Professor - New Appointment

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS
Bullerman, L.B. - Food Sci. & Tech. - Gov. of Libya $2,500
Burnside, O.C. - Agronomy - CIBA-GEIGY 1,000
Farlin, S.D. - Animal Science - Eli Lilly & Co. 13,600
Grabouski, P.H. - Agronomy (N.P. Sta.) - Platte Valley Alfalfa Assn. 1,200
Haderlie, L.C. - Agronomy - E. M. Laboratories, Inc. 500
Kelling, C.L. - Vet. Science - Nebraska Pork Producers 3,200
Kelling, C.L. - Vet. Science - Nebraska SPF 2,400
Kittok, R.J. - Animal Science - UNL Research Council 971
Kleis, R.W. - International Programs (IANR) - U.S. AID (Syria) 40,181
Kleis, R.W. - International Programs (IANR) - U.S. Dept. of State (Romania) 9,400
Moomaw, R.S. - Agronomy (Northeast Sta.) - CIBA-GEIGY 500
Satterlee, L.D. & Kendrick, J.G. - Food Sci & Tech & Ag Econ - Natl Sci Fdtn 134,940
Steadman, J.R. - Plant Pathology - UNL Research Council 990
Underdahl, N.R. - Vet. Science - Waldo Family 1,200
Wilson, R.G. - Agronomy (PH Sta.) - Conrad Hinrich Donner 500
Wilson, R.G. - Agronomy (PH Sta.) - PPG Industries, Inc. 1,000
Witkowski, J.R. - Entomology (Northeast Sta.) - Union Carbide Corp. 1,000

GENERAL NOTES
1. Please be reminded that University equipment is not to be used for other than University programs and activities. Personal usage by employees or students is not only illegal but may involve serious liability questions by those either doing or allowing it.

2. The Nebraska Station staff members prepared and we submitted seven fine grant proposals to the CR (formerly CSRS) in February under the PL-89-106 special grants program (Soybeans, Pest Management, Transportation and Genetics). We have had two selected for final screening from about 75, from which 18 or 20 will be funded. They started with over 500 submittals. (Yes, I agree this is an inefficient process).

3. More recently we have submitted twelve proposals to SEA (USDA) under the new 1978 Competitive Grants program (Human Nutrition and Basic Plant Sciences). There may be 70 or 80 funded nationally but they aren't confined to Land-Grant units or even to Universities. (Another hoard converging on a cookie jar). We are hopeful of winning some.

4. There is a new FR (formerly ARS) team being assigned at the Nebraska Station. Three livestock entomologists are being transferred here from California and Texas to establish one of two national units for livestock insects research. It is anticipated that this group may be expanded in the future.

5. The Foods and Nutri. Building will be designated RUTH LEVERTON HALL in ceremonies on May 6.

6. In March 1973 the old Administrative Annex was removed to make way for the imminent development of the 38th Street campus entrance. That entrance is now nearing completion.

7. Lancaster County 4-Hers have expressed appreciation for staff contributions to their newspaper collections (over a ton per week). Their "drops" continue at Cotner and Holdrege, at Mr. B's (48th & Van Dorn), and at Safeway (70th and 0).

8. The Government is lucky that taxpayers have what it takes.

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Journal Articles  (contact authors for more information)


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78-999. Consumers Attitudes and Knowledge of Pork. F. Caporaso and T. J. Janssen. Institute of Food Technologists 38th Annual Meeting, Dallas, Texas.


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