Agricultural Experiment Station News December 1969
FROM THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

With this issue we usher in not only a New Year, but a New Decade! On such an occasion, it is appropriate that we indulge in personal program planning. Several kinds of questions come to mind. Are we working on problems of relevance, and significance? Are we "following through" to conclusions? What "old" activities should be finished out? What pressing new topic do we visualize as we look ahead?

We in the Director's office keenly appreciate the fact that the measure of success accruing to the Experiment Station is a direct result of efforts of the individual staff members who make up the team. The Experiment Station program is but the sum of activities of each member.

Special Budget Note:
We have official notice from CSRS, USDA, of our Federal funds for Fiscal 1970. They are as follows:

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<th>Amount</th>
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<td>Regular Hatch funds:</td>
<td>$711,037.00</td>
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<td>Regional Research funds:</td>
<td>$250,708.00</td>
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<td>McIntire-Stennis (Forestry):</td>
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Howard W. Ottoson

COLLEGE ENROLLMENT CONTINUES UPWARD

The College of Agriculture and Home Economics has 2584 students at Lincoln and 243 at Curtis. The increase at Curtis was the greatest percentage-wise (27%), up from 191. Agriculture undergraduates at Lincoln(1367) went up 5.4% and graduate students (266) increased 8.6%. Home Economics undergraduates (881) jumped 16.7% and graduate students (70) remained exactly the same.

Total number of students on the Lincoln campus has increased tremendously in the past decade. Compare the 2584 enrollment for 1969-70 with five years ago, 1964-65 of 1433, or ten years ago, 1959-60 of 1112. Add in the Curtis enrollment and we have almost doubled in 5 years.

Based upon agricultural undergraduates, Nebraska is 12th in size in the nation. The top twelve Universities and their undergraduate enrollments are:

1. Iowa State - 2992
2. Ohio State - 2289
3. Purdue - 2266
4. Cornell - 2242
5. California - 1910
6. Texas A&M - 1809
7. Minnesota - 1724
8. Missouri - 1617
9. Oklahoma St. - 1569
10. Michigan St. - 1544
11. Kansas St. - 1378
12. Nebraska - 1367

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In 1959-60 Nebraska was 19th.

F. E. Eldridge

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Varner, Durward B., - Chancellor of the University of Nebraska - February 1, 1970
Hobson, Merk, - Executive Vice Chancellor of the University - February 1, 1970
Snell, Jean R., - Instructor in Agricultural Education - November 1, 1969

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

Arnold, R. G. - Food Science & Technology - Nutrition Foundation Inc., $10600.00
Clanton, D. C. - Animal Science, North Platte - Nebr. Alfalfa Dehy. Assoc. 3500.00
Fenster, C. R. - Agronomy, Scotts Bluff - Ortho Div., Chevron 2500.00
Foote, W. D. - Agronomy - Nebr. Grain Improvement Association 5273.00
Hagen, A. F. - Entomology, Scotts Bluff - Chemagro Corp., 300.00
Ottoson, H. W. - Experiment Station - USDA, CSRS, Regional Research Funds 250708.00
Satterlee, L. D. - Food Science & Technology - Bi6bin Corp., 500.00
Semancik, J. S. - Plant Pathology - USDHEW, NIH 4643.00
Shahani, K. M. - Food Science & Technology - Dairy Research Inc., 12000.00
Wicks, G. A. - Agronomy, North Platte - Ortho Div., Chevron 2500.00

GENERAL NOTES

1. Dr. Harold J. Ball (Entomology) and Dr. Myron Brakke (Plant Pathology) have been appointed to the Committee on Graduate Faculty Membership.

2. Dr. Jim Drew (Agronomy) and Dr. Don Edwards (Agricultural Engineering) are members of the Research Council.

3. Congratulations to Paul Fischbach for his most recent recognition for distinguished service to irrigation, by the National Association of Irrigation Pump Manufacturers at the annual meeting of the Nebraska Irrigation Association.

4. An "Interdisciplinary Water Resources Seminar" has again been organized for second semester, meeting in 110 Agricultural Hall at 4:00 Monday each of fifteen weeks starting February 2. Primary topics this year relate to:

   The State Water Plan
   Federal Water Resource Planning
   The Lower Platte River Project Proposal

Staff are welcome either regularly or for specific sessions. Programs have been distributed but if you cannot locate yours, contact Dr. Edwards in Agricultural Engineering (2824).

5. Finagla's First Law: In any collection of data, the figure that is most obviously correct, beyond all need of checking, is the mistake.

   Corollary 1: No one whom you ask for help will see the mistake either.

   Corollary 2: Anyone who stops by with unsought advice will see it immediately.

R. W. Kleis


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