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FROM THE DIRECTORS OFFICE

Perhaps a progress report on Experiment Station Planning Advisory Committee would be of interest. As you know the departments have been busy since our annual conference in November reviewing present research programs, and identifying research needs for the next 5 to 10 years. This task is now nearly complete, and the Experiment Station Planning Advisory Committee effort now shifts to "stage 2".

In this next stage, the problem areas identified by the departments will be referred to six resource or commodity groups made up of representatives from each department which designated a representative to a group. These groups, and their chairmen, will be as follows:

- Natural Resources--------------------------Dr. Young
- Crops and Crop Products-----------------Dr. Hanway
- Animals and Animal Products------------Dr. Baker
- Manmade Resources-----------------------Dr. Splinter
- Human Resources------------------------Dr. Woodward
- Organizational and Institutional Resources---Dr. Vollmar

These resource groups will review the research problem areas submitted, check them for mechanical details such as duplication, and finally develop a report which will include priorities, and other recommendations which they choose to make.

We anticipate that after the resource groups have reported we will ask the Experiment Station Planning Advisory Committee to bring these reports together into a long range program of research for the Nebraska Station.

Howard W. Ottoson

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

There have been numerous inquiries lately about the nature and purpose of "departmental reports" of research. Such documents include progress reports, program summaries, recruiting leaflets, symposia or seminar proceedings, review articles initiated by the author, reports to grantors and other items related to programming within the department. They may be components of a departmentally numbered series. They should be limited to program related distribution and use.

The responsibility for maintaining appropriate standards of quality, accuracy and format rests with the department chairman and staff involved. The Department of Information staff will assist in developing such materials even as they do with formal publications. Costs are covered by the project.

The Directors office should receive informational copies of departmental reports. They should be submitted with a completed "movement of copy" form as used for requesting approval of formal publications. This will provide the Director with information regarding the document, its authorship, chairman's approval, etc.

Departmental reports should not be considered to substitute for bulletins, journal articles or other formal publication of appropriate materials.

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PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Boswell, Susan - Instructor in Human Development and The Family - New
Burdette, Roger F. - Professor of Agricultural Economics (Columbia) - Resignation
Hansen, Gary D. - Assoc. Professor & Chrmn, Family Economics & Management - New
   (B.S. Utah State; M.S. Minnesota; Ph.D. Oregon State; Coming July 1 from Portland State College).
Howe, Cosby E. - Associate Professor of Veterinary Science - Sick Leave & Retirement
L Luft, Leroy D. - Instructor in Agricultural Economics - Resignation
Marsh, Connell L. - Professor of Veterinary Science - Resignation

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

Ball, H. J. - Entomology - Shell Development Company $1,500.00
Borchers, R. L. - Biochemistry and Nutrition - NIH, U. S. DHEW 14,976.00
Chesnin, L. - Agronomy - Phillips Petroleum Company 3,000.00
Clanton, D. C. - Animal Science, North Plante - Farmland Industries, Inc. 4,000.00
Cross, O. E. - Agricultural Engineering - OWR, U. S. Dept. of Interior 40,000.00
Drew, J. V. - Agronomy - National Science Foundation 4,880.00
Eastin, J. D. - Agronomy - Rockefeller Foundation (continuation) 111,493.50
Lucas, L. F. - Animal Science - FES, U. S. D. A. 7,000.00
Mandigo, R. W. & Thompson, T. L. - Animal Sc. & Agri'l Engineering - Hormel Co. 9,982.00
McLaughlin, J. H. - Information - Miscellaneous Donors 30,000.00
Olson, R. A. - Agronomy - Farmland Industries, Inc., 3,400.00
Trotter, V. Y. - Home Economics - Easter Seal Res. Foundation 10,000.00
Twiehaus, V. M. J. - Veterinary Science - NIH, U. S. DHEW 10,000.00
Twiehaus, M. J. - Veterinary Science - SPF Swine Accrediting Agency 28,095.00
Williams, J. H. - Agronomy - Archer Daniels Midland 4,500.00

GENERAL NOTES

1. By action of the Board of Regents on February 16, there has been formally established an entity to be known as "University of Nebraska South Central Station" at Clay Center. This newest regional Station joins the established three and the Lincoln Complex to provide a regional center for agricultural research and extension programs in each of the five program districts of the State.

2. Mrs. Virginia Book, Instructor in Information is the recipient of one of eight newly established Teaching Council Fellowships. It will provide summer support for her work in revising and expanding a technical writing course for students in agriculture and home economics.

3. Another step has been taken in phasing Havelock area lands out of agricultural research, with Board of Regents approval of a sale of 228 acres to the City of Lincoln. This first parcel to be sold is east of the beef facilities, north of Adams Street, west of 84th and south of the railroad.

4. Carlson's Consolation: If an experiment fails, it can serve as a bad example; if it fails repeatedly, it demonstrates reproducibility.

R. W. Kleis


2790. Comprehensive Programs Based on Competencies Rather Than Content Areas for Agricultural Employees. James T. Horner and Dale G. Zikmund. Agricultural Education.


a = abstract.

BULLETINS PRINTED

83rd Experiment Station Annual Report.

SB 507 Tillage Practices in Western Nebraska with a Wheat-Fallow Rotation. C. R. Fenster and T. M. McCalla.

RB 235 Growth in Weight of Selected Organs, Tissues and Systems in the Pig. William J. Loeffel and Robert M. Koch.