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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

The recent legislative session can be interpreted as a significant vote of confidence in the Experiment Station, judging by the new and improved programs provided for the coming year. Here is a summary:

Areas of Excellence:  
Crop physiology  $18,720 (Experiment Station portion)  
Animal Science  10,800  

New Programs | Dept. or Sta. | Support Personnel | Operating Support | Total Budget |
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Plant virologist | PI, Path. | 1.00 - | $4,300 | $21,250 |
Soybean research | Agronomy | 1.00 2 technicians | 15,676 | 55,000 |
Agr'l micrometeorology | H&F | 1.00 - | 860 | 21,200 |
Soil fertility mgmt. | NP Sta. | .25 1 tech, P.T. Sec. | 3,625 |
Climatology | PH Sta. | 1.00 1 tech, P.T. Sec. | 10,512 | 40,000 |
Irrig. Development Eng'r | PH Sta. | 1.00 1 tech, P.T. Sec. | 8,911 | 40,000 |
Weed Control | PH Sta. | 1.00 1 tech, P.T. Sec. | 7,052 | 47,000 |
Veterinary Research | PH Sta. | .75 1 tech, P.T. Sec. | 3,682 | 26,000 |
Weed research | SC Sta. | .50 1 tech, labor | 4,020 | 24,000 |
Weed physiologist | Agronomy | .75 1 tech. | 160 | 9,200 |
Agricultural Engineer | NE Sta. | .50 - | 656 | 11,250 |
Entomologist | NE Sta. | .50 .25 tech. | 1,000 |

1Includes $10,000 nonrecurring equipment  
2Joint with Agricultural Extension  
3Six months budget  
4Joint with teaching

Operating support: Food Science and Technology, Agricultural Economics, Agronomy and Panhandle Station will receive earmarked support allocations. In addition 11 departments and district stations will receive support allocations in the areas of crops, livestock, or natural resources totaling about $52,000.

One fly in the ointment: The Stations share of the $213,000 deficit with which the Institute starts the new year is about $91,000. This will be met in 1974-75 by delaying the start of eight new programs, and using revolving funds for one commitment; but in summary, a pretty good year, and one which enables us to move our program forward.

Howard W. Ottoson

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Edwards, Donald M. - Assoc. Dean of Eng'g and Director of Eng'g Research Center  
Fiala, Frances A. - Instructor in Textiles, Clothing and Design (courtesy appt.)  
Ford, Willie D. - Associate Professor of Food and Nutrition (resignation)  
Huntoon, Peter W. - Research Hydrologist - Cons. and Survey Div. (resignation)  
Kvasnicka, William G. - Assoc. Prof. of Veterinary Science, MARC (courtesy appt.)  
Voss, J. H. - Assoc. Prof. of Human Devel. and Family - Centennial fellow 1974-75
GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

Burnside, O. C. - Agronomy - Hercules Incorporated  $  750
Burnside, O. C. - Agronomy - Eli Lilly and Company  1,500
Burnside, O. C. - Agronomy - Nor-Am Agricultural Products  500
Burnside, O. C. - Agronomy - Ciba-Geigy Corporation  3,000
Burnside, O. C. - Agronomy - E. I. DuPont  500

Burnside, O. C. - Agronomy - Mobil Oil  1,000
Campbell, John B. - Entomology (NP Sta.) - USDA, ARS  1,000
Farlin, Stanley D. - Animal Science - Moews Seed Company  800
Hagen, Arthur F. - Entomology (PH Sta.) - Chevron Chemical Company  500
Lavy, T. L. - Agronomy - Ciba-Geigy Corporation  500

Mayo, Z. B. - Entomology - Ciba-Geigy Corporation  500
Moomaw, Russell S. - Agronomy (NE Sta.) - Ciba-Geigy Corp.  500
Salac, Sotero S. - Horticulture and Forestry - Miscellaneous Donors  800
Steadman, James R. - Plant Pathology - Diamond Shamrock Corporation  500

Wicks, Gail A. - Agronomy (NP Sta.) - Ciba-Geigy Corporation  1,750
Wicks, Gail A. - Agronomy (NP Sta.) - Stauffer Chemical Company  500
Wicks, Gail A. - Agronomy (NP Sta.) - PPG Industries, Inc.  500
Wicks, Gail A. - Agronomy (NP Sta.) - Monsanto  1,000
Wicks, Gail A. - Agronomy (NP Sta.) - Chevron Chemical Co.  1,000

GENERAL NOTES

1. A $248,000 contract has been let for phase one of outdoor recreation facility development on the East Campus. This phase includes tennis courts, handball courts, ice skating rink, a shelter and a equipment building all to be located in the area north of Dentistry and west of Law. A second phase in the near future is to include seven football fields, softball diamonds, an archery range and a golf driving range on the East Campus.

2. "Conservation Production Systems" is a very important area of research and extension emphasis. It relates to a large number of your areas of special competence. We urge all to promote and contribute to this concept of conservation of energy, moisture, soil, and food production capacity.

3. Schnieder on Safety—"Look up! Power Lines May be Overhead". This is a good rule to observe. Three persons have been electrocuted in agricultural accidents to date in Nebraska in 1974. Watch in handling irrigation pipe, elevators, ladders, etc.

4. Several field day dates were listed in May. An added one is South Central Station Crops Field Day, Tuesday August 27.

5. The Board of Regents held their May meeting at the Field Laboratory and their schedule included a tour of the facilities and general program areas. We are pleased that we were able to have them there as a group.

6. Subs secz: The rainy days in June are a good time to plan for upcoming field days, such as, invitations, signs, routing, and displays. How is your station or department's "visibility"? Are you ready for guests?

7. Your Department Chairman or Director participated in an Executive Development seminar for three days last month. If you have noticed any change, you may want to borrow his book to get an understanding of his new strategy.

8. "Eaten bread is hard to earn."
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