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College of Agriculture staff members and their spouses are invited to a reception for Vice Chancellor and Mrs. Duane Acker on Thursday, April 11, 1974, between 3:00 and 5:30 p.m. at the Nebraska Center for Continuing Education.

You are welcome to come at any time during the reception to meet the Ackers and to visit with leaders in Nebraska's agricultural organizations who will be guests. However to spread the visiting time as evenly as possible, we are suggesting that staff members come at the following times, according to your last initial, if convenient:

- A through D: 3:00-3:30 PM
- E through I: 3:30-4:00 PM
- J through N: 4:00-4:30 PM
- O through S: 4:30-5:00 PM
- T through Z: 5:00-5:30 PM

Schedules are being arranged for Vice Chancellor Acker to visit each of the College of Agriculture regional stations sometime during the spring. This will provide the opportunity for Extension and Research field staff to meet the Vice Chancellor in smaller groups.

Foreign Visitors. The College continues to attract a large number of foreign observers. Visitors cleared through the Dean's office in 1973 included 16 students on degree programs sponsored by AID or FAO and 189 non-degree participants here for stays ranging from one day to five months. They came from 42 countries. Foreign students under sponsorship other than AID or FAO are not included in the totals.

Your help in hosting these people is appreciated. You have made important contributions to the agricultural background of the visitors and the interaction with these professionals from other countries has broadened our viewpoint.

Howard W. Ottoson

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

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GENERAL NOTES

1. On March 21 and 22, we will have a comprehensive review and planning session on the forage research program in Nebraska. This will relate to both the NAES and the ARS inputs and the broad spectrum of activities ranging from breeding to utilization.

Drs. Haskins and Gorz for NAES and ARS respectively have organized this review as part of their new assignment to provide coordinating leadership to this total program. They have worked effectively together for many years and their own research is shifting. It seems desirable that their role include this informal technical coordination of the many important areas of forage research.

2. Grants and Contracts continue to be a very important component of Experiment Station support. The total input from such sources is holding steady at about 20% of the total station program, although the sources have shifted some in the last couple years. The basic initiative for procuring such support is in the hands of you, the researchers.

3. Sources of support for the total Experiment Station operation can be summarized by the obviously rounded figures for 10, 20, 30 and 40% for federal, grant, revolving and state funds respectively. The "federal" 10% includes Hatch formula funds only. It should be noted that a substantial portion of the "Grants" 20% is also from federal agencies.

4. Sahs Sez - "Now is the time to spring clean the debris from winter operations; from offices, labs, shops, feed areas, operations yards, etc."

5. Streets have been named and street signs installed on the East Campus. This has been a long process starting with Dr. Dickason's idea and several of us pushing for it through Physical Plant. Perhaps it will aid in locating places for those unfamiliar with our campus.

6. Schnieder on Safety - "22 people lost their lives last year in Nebraska in tractor overturns. There were no lives lost in overturns where a rollover protective structure was in place. These 22 people didn't think tractors would overturn for them. Do you have the same attitude?"

7. It is important that all Experiment Station facilities be brought into conformity with Department of Environmental Control regulations. This applies currently to livestock feeding operations. Although we may not be legally under the regulations, we should conform unless research on the topic requires experimental deviation. In some cases we have no problem. Beef facilities at the Field Laboratory are being developed for conformity by June 1.

8. Now is the time to:

- Get organized for spring
- Talk to your wife
- Get reorganized for spring
- Talk to your wife
- Abandon the entire idea
- Talk to yourself

9. Every "maybe" has a "maybe not". 

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