Agricultural Experiment Station News November 1974
FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

When someone is doing a good job, he should be told that he is! I think that the Nebraska Station staff is doing a good job, and I wish to express our appreciation to everyone.

We recognize that publications aren't the whole story; however, some comparative CSRS data for the various state experiment stations for 1973 give me some confidence in commending you:

--The Nebraska Station ranked in the top ten percent in 1973 in technical articles per FTE.

--We are about medium in size of scientific staff (25th) but ranked 9th among 53 in the total number of technical articles.

--We are efficient; we ranked 6th from the lowest among 53 in the appropriated funds expended per journal article.

--We have made progress! In 1972-73 we published 3.1 technical articles per FTE compared to .9 in 1960-61. 1972-73 was a very good year. We were above our growth trend. In 1973-74 on the other hand, we came out with 2.4 articles per FTE, below trend.

Keep up the good work.

Howard W. Ottoson

ANIMAL SCIENCE CHAIRMAN

Dr. Irvin T. Omtvedt (pronounced Omwight) has accepted the chairmanship of our Animal Science Department to succeed Dr. Frank Baker. Originally from Wisconsin, Dr. Omtvedt earned his B.S. degree at the University of Wisconsin in 1957 and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees at Oklahoma State University in 1959 and 1961.

He has an impressive record of professional accomplishment as a Livestock Specialist at the University of Minnesota and in swine genetics teaching and research at Oklahoma State University. His most recent position is Associate Director of the Alabama Agricultural Experiment Station.

Mrs. Omtvedt's name is Wanda; their son Mark is 13 and their daughter Tenny is 11.
PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Brakke, Myron K. - Regents Professor of Plant Pathology (promotion)
Caporaso, Frederic - Assistant Professor of Food and Nutrition (appointment)
Gilley, James Ray - Assoc. Prof. of Agricultural Engineering (appointment)
Holmes, O. Wendell - Associate Professor of Agricultural Economics (courtesy appointment,
Palmer, Louis - Asst. Prof. of Plant Pathology (resignation)
Weiss, Albert - Assistant Professor of Agr'l Meteorology--Panhandle Station (appointment)

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

Burnside, O. C. - Agronomy - Chevron Chemical Company 1,500
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Campbell, J. B. - Entomology (NP Sta.) - USDA, ARS 2,300
Campbell, J. B. - Entomology (NP Sta.) - American Cyanamid Co. 500
Campbell, J. B. - Entomology (NP Sta.) - Stauffer Chemical Co. 2,000
Daigger, Louis A. - Agronomy (PH Sta.) - Dow Chemical Company 500
Fritchen, R. D. - Animal Science (NE Sta.) - National Pork Producers Council 5,000
Hagen, A. F. - Entomology (PH Sta.) - FMC Corporation 500
Hanway, D. G. - Agronomy - Elliott Fund 10,728
Kies, C. - Food & Nutrition - Traveno and Basher Laboratories 1,000
Lewis, A. J. - Animal Science - Nebraska Pork Producers Association 1,000
O'Keefe, R. B. - Horticulture - State Department of Agriculture 2,500
Perry, L. J. - Agronomy - Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Board 500
Peterson, G. A.; F. Anderson & J. Hart - Agron. (PH Sta.) - Elliott Fund 5,216
Satterlee, L. D. & J. G. Kendrick - FS&T - Nebraska Alfalfa Dehydrators Assoc. 4,500
Vidaver, A. K. - Plant Pathology - State Department of Agriculture 2,150
Ward, J. K. - Animal Science - Texas Grain Sorghum Producers Board 500
White, R. G. and D. M. Danielson - Vet. Sci. (NP Sta.) - Eli Lilly & Co. 6,000
Wicks, G. A. - Agronomy (NP Sta.) - Velsicol Chemical Corporation 500

GENERAL NOTES

1. The 1975 biennial Experiment Station and Extension Workers Conference will be held at the Nebraska Center January 6-8. It will open with a noon luncheon and program on Monday and adjourn following a noon luncheon on Wednesday. Please guard these dates in your schedule.

2. Richard C. Ehlers is the new Facilities Manager at the Field Laboratory. Mr. Ehlers has an excellent background in construction, renovation, and utilities. We welcome him to this important position in our program.

3. We wish Chick and Ann Hastert good health and much happiness in their retirement.

4. A leaflet has been prepared describing the need for and nature of the proposed Plant Sciences Complex. Copies will be available for your information and for others interested in this project. This is a top priority capital construction request of UNL.

5. The Eighth Annual Research-Industry Conference of the American Forage and Grasslands Council will be held in Omaha, February 11-13, 1975.

6. With recent changes in the finance and personnel office, Phil Sutton is now devoting full time to Civil Rights Compliance. Chuck Koopmann is now responsible for personnel functions in addition to the fiscal functions which he previously served.

R. W. Kleis
Journal Articles (contact authors for more information)


Journal Abstracts  (contact authors for more information)


74-393. Analysis of Water Taken from Sandy Soil Profiles Treated With Atrazine. Dr. T. L. Lavy. North Central Weed Control Conference Research Report.


BULLETINS PRINTED

Journal Articles  (contact authors for more information)


Journal Abstracts (contact authors for more information)


74-377. Biological Control of Musk Thistle. Dr. M. K. McCarty and Dr. Alex Martin. NCWCC Report.


74-384. Quillwork and Beadwork of Nineteenth Century Teton Tipi Furnishings. Dr. Audrey Newton, Dr. Mabel Skjelver and Virginia Nollmann Duffey. Journal of Home Economics.

74-385. Immune Reactions in Pigs to Ascaris suum. Rose A. McCullough and M. B. Rhodes.


BULLETINS PRINTED


SB 534. Soil Nutrient Levels for Alfalfa in the Central Platte Valley. R. C. Sorensen.