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New Years is a time of stock taking, of looking forward, of identifying problems to be solved and challenges to be met. For the Experiment Station the following issues or goals come to mind as we contemplate 1978 and beyond. No order of priority is implied:

(1) Phase II of Field Laboratory development. The completion of the swine facilities will mark the end of the basic development phase. Thus, we begin Phase II, the maturation phase.

(2) The development of appropriate emphasis on energy in Station research.

(3) The completion of the Veterinary Science staffing program.

(4) Further improvement of research support in a few units.

(5) An appropriate response by the Station to the new competitive research grant program established under Title XIV of the Agricultural Act of 1977.

(6) Achieving a satisfactory relationship between appropriated and revolving fund operations.

(7) The activation of research networks in sorghum, wheat and corn under Title XII of the International Development and Foreign Assistance Act of 1975.

(8) Further fine tuning of relationships between ARS and the Station.

(9) Coordination of procurement and use of large laboratory equipment.

(10) Certain facilities at District Stations.

(11) Increased multi-disciplinary structure in our research programs.

(12) Development and growth of present and new staff.

(13) Enhancement of our grassland research programs.

(14) Further emphasis on water use efficiency.

(15) Coordination of climatologically related research.

(16) Permanent establishment of the Sandhills Agricultural Laboratory.

Howard W. Ottoson
PERSONNEL ACTIONS

Carlson, Jan E. - Inst. - Cons. & Surv. Div. - Resignation
DeShazer, James D. - Prof. of Ag. Eng. - Leave of Absence
Hendricks, Haven B. - Assoc. Prof. of An. Sci. (SC Sta.) - Resignation
Leonard, Wanda M. - Asst. Prof. of Ag. Econ. (SE Sta.) - New appointment
Nevius, Anna B. - Inst. of Statistics - Biometrics Center - Resignation
Payne, Loyal C. - Prof. of Vet. Sci. - Retirement
Shasby, Mark B. - Inst. - Forestry, Fisheries & Wildlife - Resignation
Shurtleff, Daniel R. - Inst. - Cons. & Surv. Div. - Resignation
Stubbendieck, James L. - Assoc. Prof. of Agron. - Relocation to Lincoln

GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

Baker, M. E. - Ag. Econ.-US Army Corp. of Engineers
Burnside, O. C. - Agron. - Chemagro Agricultural Division
Campbell, J. B. - Ent. (NP Sta.) - American Cyanamid Company
Campbell, J. B. - Ent. (NP Sta.) - Dow Chemical U.S.A.
Fischbach, P. E. - Ag. Eng. - Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Haderlie, L. C. - Agron. - Velsicol Chemical Corporation
Mayo, Z. B. - Ent. - Environmental Protection Agency
Nordquist, P. T. - Agron. (NP Sta.) - Anna H. Elliott Fund
O'Keefe, R. B. - Hort. (PH Sta.) - Dept. of Ag., State of Nebraska
Peo, E. R., Jr. - An. Sci. - Bayvet Division, Cutter Laboratories
Rehm, G. W. - Agron. (NE Sta.) - Potash/Phosphate Institute
Shearman, R. C. - Hort. - CIBA-GEIGY, OMC and Eli Lilly

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6,900
32,100
750
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25,000
6,000
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GENERAL NOTES

1. We were all greatly saddened by the recent death of Dr. L. J. Perry. This tragic event took an outstanding scientist, fine man and good friend from us. Our thoughts are with his family in this most difficult time for them.

2. Please write me a note indicating your thoughts about the usefulness of the AES newsletter. Is it worthwhile? Are there components which are not worthwhile? Should it be abandoned? Do you have suggestions for improving it? Just a handwritten note on a buck slip giving your comments would be appreciated.

3. The attendance at the AES components of the IANR Staff Conference was most gratifying to our office. We hope that the program proved valuable to you. Please make your evaluative inputs to the committee for the benefit of future planning.

4. Schnieder on Safety - Cold weather, age and strenuous exercise (e.g. snow shoveling) do combine to increase heart stress. Please be careful.

5. Sahs sez - Hopefully the recent hunting season at the Field Lab did more for the public relations than the food supply. The season statistics are 2,027 hunters, 343 pheasants, 112 rabbits, 13 quail and 8 squirrels. The Omaha area accounted for 92% of the hunters. We appreciate the cooperation of AES personnel in this worthwhile "extra curricular" activity.

6. "If at first you don't succeed, try doing it the way she told you to."

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


5425. Nitrate Toxicity in Cattle. Clair M. Hibbs. Veterinary Medicine, Small Animal Clinician or Veterinary and Human Toxicology.


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Journal Abstracts (contact authors for more information)


77-972. Factors Affecting Iron Utilization in Weanling Mice and Human Adolescents: Fiber and/or Lead Ingestion. K. Leu, C. Kies and H. M. Fox. Institute of Food Technologists Program.


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