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## HERE ARE YOUR DATES

### JULY

#### FIELD DAYS - EXPERIMENT STATIONS:

- 9 Waseca
- 10 Morris
- 12 Grand Rapids
- 15 Crookston

#### COUNTY AGENT CONFERENCES:

- 15 Rochester
- 16 Windom
- 17 Morris
- 18 Crookston
- 24 Anoka
- 25 Grand Rapids

- 10-12 Dist. 4-H Club Week, Grand Rapids
- 23-26 Interstate 4-H Leaders' Conference, Spirit Lake, Iowa

### AUG.

- 23-Sept. 1 State Fair

### SEPT.

- 6-8 Home Demonstration Outing
- 12-16 4-H Club Conservation Camp

#### COUNTY AGENT CONFERENCES:

- 25 Anoka
- 26 Grand Rapids
- 30 Rochester

### OCT.

- 1 Windom
- 2 Morris
- 3 Crookston

- 11-18 National Dairy Show, Memphis
- 27-30 Jr. Livestock Show, So. St. Paul

### NOV.

- 28-Dec. 6 National Club Congress, Chicago
- International Livestock Show, Chicago

### DEC.

- 15-20 Annual Extension Conference

## IMMER APPOINTED ACTING VICE-DIRECTOR

F. R. Immer, professor of plant genetics, became acting vice-director of the Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station on July 1, succeeding Dr. C. H. Bailey who assumed the position of acting dean and director of the University Department of Agriculture.

Dr. Immer will divide his time between the vice-director's office and the division of agronomy and plant genetics.

A native of this state, Dr. Immer received his Bachelor of Science degree from Minnesota in 1924. He joined the staff of the Experiment Station immediately for research and additional study, receiving his Ph.D. degree in 1927 after a specialized study of inheritance of smut reactions in corn. During the years 1930-35 Dr. Immer was assistant geneticist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, carrying on his work primarily at University Farm.

In 1930-31, however, he made a trip to Europe as fellow of the National Research Council. He spent nine months at the Rothamsted Experimental Station in England studying statistics and then moved to the plant breeding station at Svalof, Sweden, for a short period of study under world-famous plant breeders.

In recent years Dr. Immer has carried on research in barley breeding.

He is a member of Sigma Xi, Gamma Sigma Delta, Alpha Zeta, Genetic Society of America, American Society of Agronomy, and he is a fellow in the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

## EXTENSION AGENTS EXEMPTED FROM GRADUATE FEES

The Board of Regents recently took the following action, President Coffey announces:

"Voted to approve exemption from tuition fees other than the incidental fee for Extension agents pursuing graduate work."

4-H CLUB LEADERS  
NAME NEW OFFICERS

Hilda Thurston of Fairmont is the new president of the state association of county 4-H club leaders. Other officers elected at the recent session include Wesley Pierson of Martin County, vice-president; Mrs. Clara Oberg, Ramsey County, secretary; and Marie Hoffman, Goodhue County, treasurer. Mabel Fertig, St. Louis County club agent, was elected historian.

MARY ANNE MATHER APPOINTED  
COUNTY CLUB AGENT AT LARGE

Mary Anne Mather, a graduate of the University of Minnesota this spring, has been appointed county club agent at large. Miss Mather will lead a diversified recreational program for rural youth, including 4-H, older youth, and adult groups.

Miss Mather attended Montana State College for two years before transferring to Minnesota where she majored in recreational leadership and minored in home economics and sociology. She has had recreational training in Bozeman and Lewiston, Montana, and she served as a recreational director for the Montana Extension Service at Bozeman. She has been a 4-H club agent and has directed recreation for 4-H and rural youth groups in Minnesota.

WEED CONTROL PACKET  
RECEIVES WASHINGTON ENDORSEMENT

Paul Johnson's fine weed control packet has been given general distribution and endorsement by the Washington office of the Extension Service. Here's what Ralph Fulghum comments on Paul's packet:

"When an information campaign of an undramatic yet important problem like weeds results in newspapers carrying four or five times as much weed-control information--much of it on the front page--it must be ringing the bell."

DONALD DAILEY SUCCEEDS  
DONOVAN AT NORTH CENTRAL STATION

R. L. Donovan, superintendent of the North Central School and Experiment Station at Grand Rapids, has resigned after 11 years as head of the institution. Donald L. Dailey, member of the staff of the school and station, became acting superintendent, July 1.

Donovan, a veteran farm manager, is widely known for his leadership in livestock and crops research. Before going to Grand Rapids, Donovan managed such farms as Boulder Bridge near the Twin Cities and the Hickory Island Farm near Austin. He spent four years as manager of 15 demonstration farms of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. In 1926 Donovan joined the University staff as a lecturer in farm management, and later was on the Extension staff for a time.

Dailey joined the Grand Rapids staff in September, 1938, after serving as assistant county agent and assistant in teaching and research at University Farm. His specialty is animal husbandry.

He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Minnesota in 1936 after establishing a distinguished record of scholarship and student leadership. While in college he earned the Dean Freeman medal for scholarship and the "Little Red Oil Can" for outstanding service on the farm campus.

NORTON IVES MARRIED

Norton C. Ives, extension engineer, was married June 18 to Velma Gygi of Gile, Wisconsin. The marriage took place at Gile. Mrs. Ives is a graduate of Iowa State College at Ames and has been working as a dietician in Indiana. Mr. Ives has not been available to the press for the past few weeks so additional information must be obtained from him upon his return to the University.

NEW AGENTS ANNOUNCED

Several new home demonstration and agricultural agents have joined the staff during the past month.

Mamie Naaden is new home demonstration agent in Itasca County succeeding Sara Cina. Miss Naaden is a North Dakota graduate and has taught in Hunter, N.D. She was county club agent in Jackson County, 1938.

Julia Bartlett became assistant home demonstration agent in Fillmore County. A graduate of Iowa State, Miss Bartlett has taught at Ellendale for the past three years.

Evelyn Wemblom has also been named assistant home demonstration agent effective July 1. Miss Wemblom is a graduate of South Dakota and has taught at Jasper.

Fred Taylor, Vocational Ag. teacher at Bertha since January, 1939, has been named assistant agent in Hubbard County. Taylor attended Hibbing Junior College and was graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1939.

HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENTS  
ATTEND CONFERENCES

Miss Evelyn Morrow, Watonwan County home demonstration agent and president of the Minnesota Home Demonstration Agents' Association, attended the American Home Economics Association meeting in Chicago June 23-26. Preceding this she attended the Home Demonstration Conference at Purdue, LaFayette, Indiana. Miss Thelma Voils, McLeod County home demonstration agent, and Miss Ellen Moline, Stearns County home demonstration agent, joined Miss Morrow at Purdue for the Home Demonstration Conference.

PUBLICATIONS OFFICE REORGANIZED

The radio and press sections have been merged under the direction of Paul Johnson in a recent reorganization of the Publications Office.

Dick Hull, in charge of radio for the past three years, has become manager of the Iowa State College Station, WOI, at Ames, Iowa, succeeding A. G. Woolfries. He has also been named assistant professor. In this move, Dick returned to his home college, where he was student announcer for WOI for 2½ years. He was graduated from Ames in 1938 with majors in industrial economics and journalism. Hull came to Minnesota immediately after his graduation.

Truman J. Henley is the newest addition to the publications staff. Henley comes to the University after 7 years with the Farm Credit Administration in St. Paul. He joined the FCA accounting division in the spring of 1934 during his senior year at the University of Minnesota where he was specializing in journalism and liberal arts. He continued his studies in the Extension Division, receiving his degree in 1937. In 1938 he was transferred from the accounting to the information division of the FCA.

Henley will be general assistant to Paul Johnson, and Miss Madge Brown will continue as assistant to Mr. Johnson in both press and radio, with major emphasis on radio.

Miss Brown has taken over Dick Hull's 4-H program over KSTP every Saturday morning, and she will continue with her regular homemakers series. Paul Johnson has charge of the reorganized "University Farm Hour" which now starts at 6:30 a.m. and ends at 7:00.