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EXTENSION DIVISION

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HERE ARE YOUR DATES

SEPTEMBER

12-16 4-H Club Conservation Camp

HYBRID CORN FIELD DAYS

12 University Farm
17 Morris
25 Waseca

AGRICULTURAL SHORT COURSES

16-17-18 Advanced Creamery Operators, U. Farm
18-19-20 Sawmill Operators, Cloquet
24-25-26 Farm Bureau Women, U. Farm
30 County Agent Conference, Rochester

RURAL YOUTH TRAINING MEETINGS

22 Aitkin
23 Mahnomon
24 Alexandria
25 Mankato
26 Slayton
30 St. Cloud

OCTOBER

1 Rochester

COUNTY AGENT CONFERENCES

1 Windom
2 Morris
3 Crookston
7 Grand Rapids
8 Anoka

11 Football (Illinois here)
11-18 National Dairy Show, Memphis
18 Football (Pittsburgh here)
22 Swine Feeders' Day, U. Farm
27-30 Jr. Livestock Show, So. St. Paul

RECREATIONAL TRAINING SCHOOLS

9 Morris
10 Slayton
14-15 Eshquaguma
16-17 Brainerd
21-22 Rochester
23-24 Mankato

NOVEMBER

4-5 Thief River Falls
6-7 Detroit Lakes
10 Morris
18 Slayton
27-28 University Farm

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

DECEMBER

15-20 Annual Extension Conference
7-12 Amer. Farm Bureau Mtg., Chicago
JAN. 19-24 FARM AND HOME WEEK, U. Farm

PUBLICATIONS CLASSED AMONG BEST IN U. S.

University Farm publications developed a bridesmaid complex this year in the annual nation-wide competition sponsored by the American Association of Agricultural College Editors. Gopher state publications nabbed three second and two third placings but fell just short of finishing in the blue. The publicity service placed second with 21 states entered. "Livestock Judging for Beginners" (Zavoral and Chase) was third among 21 entries of popular bulletins. Technical Bulletin 145, "Some Morphological....." was second in a field of 11. A series of wind erosion pictures taken by Knaus in the Red River Valley ranked second among 11 entries, while a syndicated radio script prepared by Hull and Brown on gardening and family food supply placed third among 16.

DIRECTOR IS GUEST OF ENGINEER GROUP

Director Paul E. Miller was guest last week of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers for the annual Industrial Seminar tour which included such important industrial centers as Milwaukee, Chicago, Moline, and Peoria, Ill. Those on the tour studied the latest developments in the manufacture of farm equipment. Others from University Farm, besides the Director, were John Strait of the agricultural engineering staff and William Johnson and Curtis Larson, students.

OUTLOOK DOPE TO BE OUT EARLIER THIS YEAR

Pamphlet 82, which sketches the livestock outlook for 1942, is already in the hopper, and Harold Swanson says it should be ready for the counties about October 1. Dvoracek has added up the dope on livestock. Dankers is working on poultry and dairy.

A peek at the livestock manuscript reveals: Price outlook generally good, but no justification for costly expansion. Feed supplies at near all-time high. Meat-feed ratios generally favorable. Production up and supplies large, indicating prices will need the support of consumer buying power and government defense buying. Feeder stock high, which means narrow margins.

BENNETT CITES LATEST
IN VISUAL AIDS

Don Bennett, USDA visual aids specialist, was here during State Fair Week for a discussion of newest developments in the art. New kinks include: a shadowbox screen that permits perfect showing of kodachromes in daylight; a suggestion for getting better illustrations for posters and circulars, simply projecting a negative on white cardboard and filling in light portions with a crayon; announcement of a simple filter glass which shows whether kodachromes will make good black and white prints.

KNAUS REPORTS: Cameras are UP in price. Thirty per cent of agents are now supplied with camera equipment, 65 per cent with projectors.

Will you need a large vitamin chart (same material as small card) for fall and winter nutrition programs? Get charts now for 50 cents.

Set of slides on vegetable storage now ready for loan or purchase. Fourteen slides in series.

Central office has pics of 4-H champions at State Fair. Small prints 6 cents, 5 x 7 prints 25 cents.

CANCEL RADIO SCHOOLS

The September radio schools were canceled when John C. Baker, Washington radio specialist, notified Director Miller that he had resigned to accept a new position in USDA. The radio vacancy made it necessary to check off the proposed Minnesota schools until further notice.

EXTENSION SERVICE REVIEW
LIKES MINNESOTA STUFF

At least one Minnesota extension project attracted so much attention in Washington this year that the Extension Service Review wrote it up from annual reports without waiting for a volunteer story. The August issue carried a yarn about the Anoka county 4-H recreational and forestry project. Cliff Cairns, ex, and Glen Johnson, current Anoka agent, are buying the cigars.

Inez Hobart rang the bell in the Aug. issue with an article on nutrition problems among low-income families. In the July issue Howard Knaus wrote on use of visual aids in the family food program and got fan mail from all corners of the country.

THERE OUGHT TO BE MORE STORIES BY AGENTS. THE SUBJECTS ARE THERE. ALL THAT'S LACKING IS A LITTLE LITERARY AMBI-
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WLB FARM HOUR
BEGINS NEW SCHEDULE

The University Farm Hour, sponsored by the Agricultural Extension Service, began its noon-time broadcast last week and will continue to be heard on Mondays thru Fridays at 12:30. Symphonic band and orchestra music and Negro spirituals will feature the musical portion of the program, and timely farm topics, a weekly farm and home quiz, market reports, and brief interviews with agricultural experts will round out the half-hour program. Music for the newly-scheduled farm hour is furnished by musical organizations sponsored by the Works Progress Administration.

WEED TOUR SHOWED WAY

The five-county weed tour put on by Faribault, Blue Earth, Freeborn, Steele and Waseca last June was a success partly because of the well-planned publicity. Drop a line to Clet Murphy or any of the other agents for samples, of program, windshield stickers, etc. There may be an idea or two in them for a tour of your own.

HOMEMAKERS' PROGRAM TO
CONDUCT NEW FEATURE

What does a \$11.60 top for hogs signify to the consumer? Why do egg prices go up and down, and why are so many things the way they are? Questions like these will be answered beginning next month during the Homemaker's Quarter Hour, a radio feature heard over WLB on Mondays thru Fridays and sponsored by the Agricultural Extension Service. The weekly feature on consumer education will find Madge Brown interviewing members of the Extension staff in an effort to interpret prices for the homemaker. When fresh fruits and vegetables "best buys" are no longer available, the program will carry daily announcements on products shipped in to the Twin-City markets. And the time of this program?10:45 a.m.

FARM HANDBOOK HELPS
KEEP THINGS STRAIGHT

If all the agencies, boards, services, administrations and committees serving agriculture have you a bit dizzy, you will welcome the new Minnesota Farm Handbook just out. The Extension Service compiled the material for the state and submitted it to USDA for editing and publishing. The little blue book may be something to go on the hook along with the telephone book and the calendar of events.

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Walter Garver, agricultural economist, left last week to take a position with the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago. He has been associated with the University since 1934, and at the time of his departure served as statistician in the division of agricultural economics. His new work will consist of preparing analyses of agricultural conditions in the seventh federal reserve district. Garver completed his undergraduate work at Minnesota in 1938 and obtained the M.S. degree in agricultural economics this year.

ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE
TO MAKE MARKETING STUDY

Ernest Baughman, extension marketing economist, is away on leave of absence and during the next year will conduct a marketing survey for the American Farm Bureau Federation with headquarters in Chicago. Last year Baughman made a study of creameries in west central Minnesota and more recently conducted studies of livestock marketing and credit for farmers elevators in Faribault county. Mr. Baughman will return September 1, 1942.

VISUAL AIDS ASSISTANT
COMES FROM HAWAII

Newcomer to the Agricultural Extension staff is Ingrid Claybourne, formerly of Honolulu, Hawaii, and since 1936 an intermittent commuter between Minnesota and the Pacific isle. In the visual aids office she succeeds Ed Biddison who resigned August fifteenth to accept a position as cereal chemist with a Chicago firm.

HOME DEM. AGENT WEDS,
SUCCESSOR APPOINTED

Miss Nellie Stromer, Waseca county home demonstration agent since March, 1940, resigns October first and will be married to Mr. George Heald. The Healds will make their home in Rolfe, Iowa. Miss Evelyne Wenneblom, South Dakota graduate and former assistant home demonstration agent in Watonwan county, succeeds Miss Stromer in Waseca county. She has been at her new post since September first.

BRIEFS---

Art Engebretson had a return engagement at Fargo the last week in August, this time to judge all swine classes at the North Dakota State Fair.

Anna Rose Gallagher has gone to Redwood county as full-time club agent.

A delegation of economists and extension specialists will go to Ames, September 29, for a marketing conference.

A group of county agents joined University Farm livestock men and others in a testimonial dinner during Fair Week in honor of Leslie Smith, St. Cloud, veteran Shorthorn breeder. W. H. Peters presented Smith with an engraved cane on behalf of the group. Bill Lawson presided.

Visiting friends and judging at the State Fair again this year was Lois (Reid) Stewart of Dubuque, Iowa, formerly extension clothing specialist at University Farm. Mrs. Stewart assisted with the judging of exhibits in the women's building and helped to pick the 1941 4-H Dress Revue queen, Lois Todnem of Marshall.

This is as far as we can go this time...!

Let's have more news items from the field members of the Extension Staff for the October issue. We would like to see the other side of this page filled up too. You can help!

THE EDITORS