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## Conference, Home Demonstration Agents, State Staff

### MONDAY, MARCH 3

- 9:00- 9:15 OPENING OF CONFERENCE, Julia O. Newton, State Home Demonstration Leader  
 9:15- 9:30 SINGING, Led by Cora E. Cooke  
 9:30-10:30 CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM ON HOME DEMONSTRATION, BASED ON THE LAND GRANT COLLEGE SURVEY, Director F. W. Peck  
 10:30-12:15 ROUND TABLE ON ORGANIZATION AND METHODS, Miss Newton and Home Demonstration Agents  
 1:30- 4:30

### TUESDAY, MARCH 4

- Eva Blair, Presiding  
 9:00-12:15 ROUND TABLE ON 4-H GIRLS' CLUB WORK, T. A. Erickson, State Club Leader, and Staff  
 Inez Hobart, Presiding  
 9:00-12:15 CITY HOME DEMONSTRATION CONFERENCE  
 Agnes Erkel, Presiding  
 1:30- 2:30 OFFICE ORGANIZATION AND FILING SYSTEM, S. B. Cleland, Assistant County Agent Leader  
 2:30 HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENTS' ASSOCIATION, Amy Wessel, President

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

- Cora E. Cooke, Presiding  
 9:00-11:00 ROUND TABLE ON PUBLICITY, W. P. Kirkwood, Agricultural Editor  
 11:00-12:00 DISCUSSION OF FARM BUREAU NEWS ARTICLES, L. J. Melrose, Publicity Director, Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation  
 Mary May Miller, Presiding  
 2:00- 3:00 WHAT HOME DEMONSTRATION WORKERS CAN DO IN FURTHERING THE WORK OF THE FEDERAL FARM BOARD, Director F. W. Peck  
 3:00- 5:00 CONFERENCES OF AGENTS WITH SPECIALISTS ON NEXT PROJECT

## Conference, H. D. Workers, Home Chairmen

### THURSDAY, MARCH 6

- Room 202, Administration Building  
 9:00- 9:30 REGISTRATION  
 9:30- 9:45 WELCOME TO HOME CHAIRMEN, Julia O. Newton, State Home Demonstration Leader  
 9:45-10:00 SINGING, Led by Mary Jane Boyd, Faribault County Home Demonstration Agent  
 10:00-10:30 MEASUREMENTS OF PROGRESS IN HOME DEMONSTRATION WORK AND AIMS FOR THE FUTURE, Director F. W. Peck  
 10:30-11:30 KNOWING YOUR PUBLIC, J. J. Louis, The Dayton Company, Minneapolis Home Economics Building  
 M. Lois Reid, Presiding  
 1:30- 4:00 THE WORK THE DIVISION OF HOME ECONOMICS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA IS DOING WHICH IS OF INTEREST TO HOMEMAKERS, Miss Paulena Nickell, Acting Chief, and the Misses Weller, Child, Biester, and Studley  
 4:00 TEA—Guest of the Food Management Class  
 6:30 HOME DEMONSTRATION CONFERENCE DINNER, Y. W. C. A., Nicollet at Twelfth, Minneapolis

### FRIDAY, MARCH 7

- Room 202, Administration Building  
 Eves E. Whitfield, Presiding  
 9:00-10:00 THE FARM WOMAN AND THE AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM, Deane W. C. Coffey  
 10:00-10:30 PRESERVING HOME EQUIPMENT OF HISTORICAL VALUE, Miss Vetta Goldstein  
 10:30-11:30 A GLANCE AT THE PAST AND A GLIMPSE OF THE FUTURE, State Home Demonstration Staff  
 12:45 Leave Cafeteria Building for Alice Ames Winter Demonstration Home, Minneapolis  
 Sylvia Shiras, Presiding  
 1:30- 2:30 HIGH LIGHTS IN HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENTS' WORK IN 1929, Home Demonstration Agents  
 2:30- 4:00 THE PLACE OF HOME IN THE NATIONAL AND STATE PROGRAMS OF CONGRESS OF PARENTS AND TEACHERS, Mrs. A. A. Mendenhall  
 FARM BUREAU FEDERATION, Mrs. E. V. Ripley  
 FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS, Mrs. Sam Rask  
 LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, Miss Marguerite Wells  
 4:00 TEA—Guests of the Woman's Community Council of Minneapolis  
 6:30 MASTER FARM HOME-MAKER RECOGNITION DINNER, Guests of The Farmer's Wife

### SATURDAY, MARCH 8

- Room 202, Administration Building  
 Belle Osborn Fish, Presiding  
 9:00- 9:45 THE AGRICULTURAL OUTLOOK, D. C. Dvoracek, Marketing Specialist  
 9:45-11:15 HOME AND COMMUNITY PLANS FOR HOME DEMONSTRATION WORK IN 1930, Home Chairmen  
 11:15-11:30 SUMMARY OF CONFERENCE, Viola Juni, Chairman, Helen Gillette, Mrs. Albert Ruble, Eves Whitfield, Sylvia Shiras

## Poultry Work Shows Marked Improvement

THE poultry project for 1929 under the supervision of Miss Cora Cooke, extension poultry specialist, and 218 local leaders, showed a remarkable improvement over that of 1928. In almost all phases of the project marked increases over 1928 are shown in the tabulations below.

	1928	1929
Counties participating	5	7
Community groups	72	109
Local leaders	143	218
Community members	867	1,191
Total enrollment	939	1,409
Others helped	1,613	1,919
Total reached	2,543	3,414
Number reporting	763	1,066
Percent reporting	81	75.6
Homes adopting improved practices	2,483	3,073

New houses built were 79 with 297 other houses improved in some way. Home-made feeders for chicks and hens amounted to 456. Five hundred forty-three flocks received a better balanced ration.

A feature of this year's work was the conducting of demonstrations in feeding for laying and rearing chicks by the sanitation plan. One hundred eighteen result demonstrations in feeding brought an average return above feed cost of 19 cents per hen per month. In these demonstrations, the average production per month was 12.3 eggs per hen. A total profit above feed amounting to \$2,500.84 was made by these 118 flock owners on demonstrations of one month's duration. The 69 chick sanitation demonstrations reported showed a six months' mortality of 18 per cent, as compared with the usual 30 per cent loss. Profits on these demonstrations amounted to approximately \$100 per flock.

## McNulty's Hog Booklet Lauded

National circulation among leading Poland China breeders will be given the pamphlet entitled "The Truth About the Pigs That Had Two Tales," which Mr. McNulty of Winona had printed for distribution at the State Fair in connection with his county project exhibit. Copies of this leaflet were requested by the secretary of the National Poland China association, in a letter reading as follows:

"I am certainly pleased with the excellent circular that you have had printed regarding Mr. Nahrgang's experience in the pork production contest. It is so well written and so nicely illustrated that I would like to have as many copies as you can spare. We want to pass these out to interested breeders and farmers. You have used this experience in so striking a manner that it seems to me this folder cannot help but serve a very valuable purpose with any farmer or breeder who is interested in improving his pork-making practices."



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On February first a conference was held in Washington between the agricultural extension directors of Minnesota and North Dakota and members of the Federal Farm Board, dealing with the relation of the extension services to the proposed plan for the co-operative marketing of grain in these states.

On February third, Mr. Legge, chairman of the board, issued a letter, part of which is quoted herewith:

"The Federal Farm Board has seen fit thus far to give recognition to three types of co-operative grain marketing organizations; namely, farmers elevator associations, wheat pools and co-operative terminal sales agencies. While the Federal Farm Board has sponsored the organization of several regional associations, it does not wish thereby to discriminate against existing co-operative grain marketing agencies. It believes that the choice between such agencies should be left to the farmer and his existing local grain co-operatives. However, it should be made clear that a farmer need not be a member of any general farm organization in order to affiliate through his local co-operative elevator with the business organization that serves as a connecting link between such elevator and the Farmers' National Grain Corporation.

"The Federal Farm Board wishes to emphasize that a farmer wishing to secure the benefits of the Agricultural Marketing Act must affiliate with one of the three types of existing co-operative grain marketing agencies. Farmers who are stockholders of local co-operative elevators are already eligible to receive the benefits of the Act without additional expense, whenever their elevators become affiliated with one of the three types of existing terminal marketing agencies. Others can become eligible either by becoming stockholders in affiliated local elevators, or by direct membership in recognized agencies which require direct affiliation as part of their marketing program.

"It is the wish of the Federal Farm Board that the extension divisions of the agricultural colleges in the several grain states conduct educational work with reference to the Agricultural Marketing Act and the Farmers' National Grain

Corporation, pointing out that each of the three types of agencies mentioned above have the same opportunity of marketing grain through the Farmers' National Grain Corporation."

The above statements by Mr. Legge set out the viewpoint of the board as to the action that should be taken by the extension services in the Northwest grain states. From this we assume that we should do everything we can to bring to the attention of farmers, and others interested in grain marketing, the facts as to the set-up and plans of the agencies mentioned so as to make clear the various steps that are necessary to take advantage of the marketing act. In no sense do we assume that we are organizers for any of the organizations involved, and it is the opinion of the farm board that we should maintain our educational function in every instance.—F.W.P.

### "AMEN," SAYS McNULTY

COUNTY AGENTS and others of the extension force will recall a recent circular letter sent out by F. E. Balmer, county agent leader, on the importance of correct spelling. In response to this J. B. McNulty of Winona writes:

"I have taken part in only two spell-down contests since I have been in this county, but I have won them both. So you see that on this I rate pretty high in this county.

"Seriously, I think your suggestion as to spelling is a very good one. Though I did win, I do not consider that I am a very good speller at that. I think your letter is a good one."

This from McNulty suggests the possibility of more letters from agents relative to their experiences in orthography—battles won, battles lost, battles pending, or what battles have you?

### SPRING CONFERENCES SET

The 1930 district conferences of county extension agents have been scheduled as follows:

Southeastern	Minnesota — Rochester,
April 22-3	
Southwestern	Minnesota — Marshall,
April 24-5	
Northeastern	Minnesota — Brainerd,
April 29-30	
Northwestern	Minnesota — Northwest
School of Agriculture,	Crookston,
May 1, 2	

Make note in your diary now of your conference, advises Mr. Balmer. He adds that suggestions for programs are invited.

### NEWS STORY CONTEST

A NEWS story contest will be conducted at the district conferences in the same manner as the circular letter contest was conducted last year. Each agent is asked to send in his or her best news story of the past year. These stories will be on display at the district conferences and the votes of the agents will pick the winners. The news stories should be sent in now, as it is planned to have them studied in advance and criticized at the conferences.

## Nutrition Work Arouses Health-Consciousness

A general increase in the use of green leaf vegetables, especially lettuce and spinach, is one of the results growing out of the Nutrition Project as carried on during the past year under the direction of Miss Inez Hobart, nutrition specialist. Gardens are being planned to provide a greater abundance of these products. Stores in counties carrying the project report large increases in sales of all fresh vegetables. Many merchants not formerly carrying fresh vegetables have been compelled to do so to satisfy the insistent demand created by the nutrition project through the education of homemakers and farm folks generally as to the value and place of these products in the daily diet.

The above is but one of the many important improvements in rural nutrition and health brought about directly through the nutrition work. Rickets and their consequences, such as bow legs and other malformations, are disappearing. Hot lunches in schools are becoming more popular. These and many other tangible evidences may be seen of the greater and more significant fact that the nutrition project is awakening in rural people an interest in the whole subject of nutrition and teaching them the basic principles which make for proper physical and mental development of the young, the correction of deficiencies, and the maintenance of good health in both young and old.

In 1929, Miss Hobart's report shows 2,008 women enrolled, of which about 85 per cent or 1,716 completed the work. Others helped through home demonstration agents or project leaders numbered 10,122. Improved nutrition practices were adopted by 6,485. Improvement in health was reported by 93.6 of the project members and each member averaged helping 5.9 others.

### Over 700 at F. B. Dinner

Blue Earth county's annual farm bureau dinner brought out 715 members, says L. E. McMillan. Anticipating increased attendance, 122 pounds of beef roast had been prepared, but this failed to fill the demand, and 36 pounds of hamburger were used. Summarizing a few important accomplishments of the past year, Mr. McMillan cites the following facts: county accredited September 1 for bovine tuberculosis; two state and one national 4-H club championships; a farm bureau drive which brought the membership up to 915, with 617 paid up; 700 boys and girls finishing their club work projects; and the holding of the Northwest Corn Husking contest, with 4,000 attending.

### Standard Clubs Increase

Miss Mildred Schenck reports that she believes more standard clubs are organized for this time of year than ever before. This is good, she says, because members will have more opportunity to finish their work satisfactorily. In January, East Ottertail reported 17 standard clubs entitled to charters. This is one of the largest groups of charter clubs reported from any one county for some time. Nicollet county reported 7 charter clubs.





## Enrollment in 4-H Work Increased 16 Per Cent in 1929; Fine Balance Shown

WITH a total enrollment in all projects of 37,209, 4-H club work in Minnesota in 1929 increased 16 per cent over 1928, the largest gain made since club work became a prominent feature of the agricultural extension program. Other significant facts brought out in the annual report of T. A. Erickson, state leader of 4-H clubs, are that a larger proportion

of club members completed their projects last year than in 1928, and that there was an almost equal number of boys taking farm projects and girls taking home economics work.

Of boys and girls enrolled in club projects, 78.7 per cent finished up all phases of the work, an increase of 1 per cent over 1928. Kittson county led in balance between boys and girls, having exactly 120 of each. Of the total enrollments for the state, 56 per cent were girls and 44 per cent boys. However, 3,236 girls were in crop or livestock projects, while only 90 boys took home economics subjects, leaving an almost even balance between girls engaged in home projects and boys in farm projects.

Of the farm projects, poultry proved most popular, with 4,432 members enrolled. The dairy calf work was second with 4,037, while the garden was third with 3,739. In home economics work, the clothing project led with 8,404 enrolled, while the baking was second with 3,122 members. Home beautification work showed the largest proportionate increase, being 35 per cent larger than 1928. Twenty per cent more members were enrolled in the sheep and garden projects; 12 per cent more in the dairy calf, and 11 per cent more in poultry. The potato and canning projects suffered slight losses.

Including counties with more than 600 members, Ramsey county led the state in the matter of completions with 96 per cent of members enrolled finishing their projects; Blue Earth was second with 91 per cent finishing; Freeborn third with 87 per cent; Crow Wing fourth, with 85 per cent; Carlton fifth, with 84 per cent.

### Free Admission For 4-H Folks at Flower Show

AN event of unusual interest to all 4-H club members, and of special importance to the 4-H garden and home beautification club members and their leaders is the National Flower and Garden Show, which is to be held at the Minneapolis Auditorium March 29 to April 6. All boys and girls who are accompanied by their teacher or 4-H club leader, will be admitted free, providing they come before 11 a.m. any day of the show.

County agents are urged to arrange so that a great many 4-H club members may attend on this plan. This show is not only a wonderful exhibition of flowers and plants, but these are shown in exhibits demonstrating their best use for beautifying the home.

## Corn and Potato State Fair Trip Winners Announced

PRODUCING 111.8 bushels of corn per acre on his three acre plot was the accomplishment which won for Robert Edwards of Utica, Winona county, the 4-H corn club grand championship of Minnesota for 1929.

A free trip to the 1930 National Club Congress at Chicago and a scholarship at the School of Agriculture at University Farm have been awarded Mr. Edwards by the South St. Paul Union Stockyards company and the Winona Kiwanis Club, respectively.

Mr. Edwards' selection out of a total corn club enrollment of 491 boys and girls was due not only to his record yield, but also to the quality of his exhibits at the State Corn Show and to the fine records which he kept, according to T. A. Erickson, state 4-H club leader.

In accordance with a new ruling, 13 individual county winners will receive educational trips to the 1930 Minnesota State Fair, where they will take part in a program unique in Minnesota corn club history. Various phases of this program will be the exhibition of samples of their corn and competition in crop judging and demonstration contests. These county winners are Leslie Ziemann, Martin county; Fred Paulson, Freeborn; James M. Hanson, West Ottertail; Kenneth Smith, Winona; Lyle Schoneman, Cottonwood; Willard Seaton, Lyon; Lloyd Hylden, West Polk; Lyle Severson, Rice; Harold Fagerness, Nobles; Florence Zeckmeister, Dakota; Harlan Stoffregen, Nicollet; Martin Goetcheell, Washington; and Justus Legvol, Faribault.

The Farmer and Farm, Stock and Home, St. Paul, will award medals to 50 other corn club members who were outstanding in their districts.

The Nobles county corn club with 52 members boasted the largest enrollment in the state.

Ten winners of 1930 State Fair trips for outstanding work in the potato project have been named and these boys and girls will put on a program similar to that described for corn club members. Names of the county potato winners follow: Lawrence Green, Roseau county; Harry Miller, Beltrami; Earl Nord, Ramsey; Lloyd Johnson, Clearwater; Bertha Strause, Crow Wing; Laur Kyrkyri, St. Louis; Robert Keller, Washington; Edward Windels, East Ottertail; Harry Nesseseth, Itasca; and Royal Mackaman, Aitkin.

### CLUB SHORT COURSE

T. A. Erickson has announced the dates for the 1930 State Club Short Course as June 3, 4, 5, and 6. The course will be held at University Farm, as usual. Details are being worked out and prospects are for the most interesting and instructive program yet held.

### Individual Work in Cake

Only individual demonstration work will be carried on in the cake project this year. The three highest scoring individuals from each of the four districts will receive trips to the state contest.

### 1929 4-H CLUB ENROLLMENTS

County*	Enrollments	Completions
Aitkin	342	276
Anoka	85	80
Beltrami	556	489
Blue Earth	764	700
Brown	404	335
Carlton	753	636
Carver	128	102
Chisago	103	83
Clearwater	312	279
Cook	106	72
Cottonwood	278	176
Crow Wing	671	571
Dakota	1025	575
Dodge	338	276
Faribault	1009	645
Fillmore	429	368
Freeborn	675	592
Goodhue	454	329
Hennepin	686	565
Houston	617	479
Hubbard	313	260
Itasca	1216	1018
Jackson	322	276
Kittson	240	213
Koochiching	260	224
Lac qui Parle	258	167
Lake	50	45
Lake of the Woods	195	155
Lincoln	201	189
Lyon	568	293
Martin	611	430
Meeker	378	321
Morrison	380	231
Mower	522	397
Murray	563	429
Nicollet	441	361
Nobles	789	447
Norman	339	264
Olmsted	534	504
Ottertail (East)	595	524
Ottertail (West)	612	539
Pennington	256	188
Pine	258	229
Pipestone	598	553
Polk (East)	337	305
Polk (West)	408	366
Ramsey	683	656
Redwood	385	229
Renville	193	152
Rice	673	556
Rock	284	249
Roseau	617	439
St. Louis	3649	3062
Scott	567	467
Sherburne	396	342
Steele	555	420
Stevens	468	405
Traverse	254	179
Wadena	460	280
Waseca	410	399
Washington	674	555
Watsonwan	435	297
Wilkin	207	162
Winona	591	535
Yellow Medicine	143	114
	37,209	29,308

\* Non-agent counties omitted.



## Clothing Work for 1929 Reaches 17,227 Homes

RESULTS for 1929 show that 17,227 homes in Minnesota were reached by the clothing project under the direction of Miss M. Lois Reid and Miss Eves Whitfield. The specialists were assisted by the county home demonstration agents in Hennepin, North St. Louis and South St. Louis counties and by the urban agents in Minneapolis and Duluth. In addition, the Brown county home demonstration agent and the St. Paul urban agent had complete charge of the work in their localities. The project was also conducted in Nobles, Beltrami, Chisago, Hubbard, Morrison, Renville, Waseca, Winoona, Aitkin, and Lac qui Parle counties.

There were 4,163 women enrolled with 3,649 or 88.5 per cent completing the work. There were 21,767 improved practices adopted in the construction of 53,508 garments at a saving of \$36,347.85.

The most outstanding feature of the clothing work for 1929 was the spread of influence made possible by the home demonstration agent. In counties having home demonstration agents, approximately twice the number of women can be reached because the home demonstration agents usually conduct the same number of project leader training meetings as the specialist. Aside from the increased number reached, the home demonstration agent supervises, visits all groups in the county at least twice during the project, and helps leaders to do more effective work.

### RECRUITS

Extension forces, state and county, are increasing, thanks to Mr. Stork. A. W. Aamodt, West Polk agent, is the proud papa of a son, August Edward, born February 12; Agent Martin Hansen, Waseca, also reports a son. Messrs. Harris and Cleland of the state office likewise were recently presented with a son and a daughter, respectively.

### CLEVER PUBLICITY

HEREWITH is republished the first paragraph of an article to promote treating of horses to prevent bot flies, which appeared recently in Redwood county papers, the work of County Agent Bovee. We think this is an excellent example of interestingly written publicity that would be likely to get action. How do you like it?

"At this time of the year, when the Christmas bills, coal bills, doctors' bills, food bills and some other bills keep most folks thinking that the present is about as bad as it can get, the nose flies that will cause runaways, barbwire cuts, perspiration and some profanity are generally forgotten. A horse fly perched upon the radiator of a truck may be a rather pathetic sight, but a lot of nose flies darting at a horse's lips to deposit their eggs there do not inspire any pity, says a communication from the county agent's office."

The article then proceeded to give details regarding plans for bot fly control.

# Farm Economics

By W. L. Cavert

## LAND MANAGEMENT SHORT COURSE, MARCH 6-7

A LAND Management short course will be held at University Farm on March 6 and 7. This course is designed particularly for the holders of large tracts of land who operate their properties by tenants or managers. However, many landlords who own only one or two farms, would find much of interest and value in the discussions.

It is believed that the program is of such merit that if the owner of several rented farms is induced to attend, he will feel grateful to the county agent or other agency for bringing the course to his attention. The program is as follows:

Thursday, March 6, 1930

### Forenoon

- A. V. Storm, Director of Short Courses, Presiding
- 9:30 STATE LAND PROBLEMS AND POLICIES. W. C. Coffey, Dean and Director of the University Department of Agriculture
- 10:15 ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS OF FARMING. O. B. Jesness, Chief of the Division of Farm Management and Agricultural Economics
- 11:00 THE FARM REAL ESTATE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE WEST. E. H. Wiecking, Division of Land Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture

### Afternoon

- Andrew Boss, Vice-Director of Experiment Station, Presiding
- 1:30 ILLUSTRATIONS OF MANAGEMENT ON MINNESOTA FARMS. G. A. Pond, Associate Professor of Farm Management
- Discussion
- 3:00 HOW FARMERS HAVE PROFITED FROM FARM MANAGEMENT DATA. M. L. Mosher, Assistant Professor of Farm Management, College of Agriculture, University of Illinois, Urbana
- Discussion

Friday, March 7, 1930

### Forenoon

- F. W. Peck, Director of Agricultural Extension, Presiding
- 9:30 FARM MANAGEMENT SERVICES. D. H. Doane, Doane Agricultural Service, St. Louis, Missouri
- Discussion
- 11:00 OUR EXPERIENCES WITH FARM LEASES. J. W. McNary, Baldwin Farms, Ellendale, North Dakota
- Discussion

### Afternoon

- O. B. Jesness, Chief of the Division of Farm Management and Agricultural Economics, Presiding
- 1:30 Round Table Discussion
1. PROBLEMS OF OPERATION OF FARMS BY TENANTS. Parker Sanders, Redwood Falls, leader
  2. PROBLEMS OF OPERATION OF FARMS BY HIRED MANAGERS. D. H. Doane, leader
  3. GENERAL OPERATION PROBLEMS—FERTILITY, WEED CONTROL, SEED SELECTION, CROPPING SYSTEMS, LIVESTOCK MAINTENANCE, ETC. Andrew Boss, leader.

E. H. Wiecking of the division of land economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture, is perhaps the foremost authority in the country on trends in real estate values. Incidentally he graduated from the Minnesota College of Agriculture and later took advanced work in agricultural economics at this institution.

J. W. McNary, manager of the Baldwin farms, Ellendale, North Dakota, was an early county agent in Rice county and is well known to the older extension workers.

D. H. Doane, St. Louis, Missouri, is the founder of the Doane Agricultural service. This organization has for a period of over 10 years done an extensive business in the handling of large tracts of land for owners who wish to be relieved of management problems. He was formerly a professor of farm management at the Missouri College of Agriculture.

Professor M. L. Mosher of the Illinois

College of Agriculture attended the annual extension conference in 1926 and aroused much interest in the farm management service offered by the Illinois College of Agriculture.

Parker Sanders, Redwood Falls, is a farm school graduate and the owner of a large acreage of farm land in Redwood county.

Extension workers will not be expected to pay the registration fee of \$2 for this course.

### 1930 F-B-E Projects

Copies of Extension Folder No. 25, "The Banker, the County Agent, the Farmer," listing the 1930 co-operative projects, have been placed in the hands of Sam Rask, chairman of the agricultural committee of the Minnesota Bankers' association, for distribution among bankers. County extension workers wishing copies should write to the Extension Division, University Farm, St. Paul.