Cleland to be Farm Management Specialist

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Faribault Project Booth First On Score and Beauty in Fast Competition

By F. E. BALMER, State County Agent Leader

THE six Minnesota county agents who staged county project exhibits at the 1930 Minnesota State Fair did not get credit to themselves, to the extension programs of their respective counties, and to the extension service in general. Every exhibit scored high. The counties exhibiting, the names of the agents in charge, the subjects of the exhibits and the scores were as follows:

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The Faribault county exhibit won first both in score and on beauty. This county took the highest value of which windbreaks created universal interest. Two farm buildings were constructed following a severe snow storm, one with a wind-break and the other without.

Silcox Joins Staff as Marketing Specialist

W. BRUCE SILCOX joined the staff on October 1. The extension service is arranging for Mr. Silcox to come to University Farm from Madison where he has practically completed work for his Ph.D. at the University of Wisconsin, specializing in agricultural economics and marketing.

Mr. Silcox was born in 1899 on a farm in Ontario not far from Detroit. He was graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College in 1923 and until September, 1928, was with the Saskatchewan Cooperative Creamery company as assistant to the superintendent.

Since then Mr. Silcox has done other fellowship and a scholarship at the University of Wisconsin and since 1928 has been an assistant in the agricultural economics department.

After leaving Iowa State College, he was connected with the Vermont College of Agriculture as assistant professor of dairy and animal husbandry for two years, during which time he also served as milk inspector for the city of Burlington, Vt.

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Four More Specialists Have Keys Mats Available

WITHIN the past month newspaper patrons for four more specialists have been made available and are available in connection with publicity about project meetings or other events with which specialists are assisting. These specialists are A. E. Englebright and the Misses Cora Coud, M. Lois Reid and Mary Miller.

Address requests for keys to the publicity specialist, being certain to state exactly how many of the maps are wanted.

Balmer Made Director of Washington Service

FRANK E. BALMER, state county agent leader in Minnesota since 1928 and a member of the extension staff since June, 1941, will leave about the middle of October to become director of the agricultural extension service of Washington State College at Pullman.

Having been connected with the Minnesota extension work for more than 21 years of its 21 years of existence, Mr. Balmer brings an outstanding mark in agricultural extension work in the state and is known and respected by more people than any other county agent.

In June, 1913, he returned to Minnesota as district supervisor of 15 county agents in west central Minnesota with headquarters at Morris. A year and a half later he was transferred to University Farm as assistant county agent leader and since July 1, 1933 has been county agent leader.

Is Kansas State Grad

Mr. Balmer was born and reared on a farm near Woodston, Kansas. After completing college at Kansas State College in 1905, he attended the graduate school at the University of Kansas. In 1906 he returned to Kansas State College, graduating in 1909.

Greetings and Good Wishes

Since I am leaving the Agricultural Extension Service in Minnesota during the coming month, I wish to give a word of Paul to you as extension workers and friends. In the more than 12 years during which I have been my privilege to be connected with the service, I have met many persons who have been officially engaged in the great enterprise in Minnesota and that have had for them the highest

It is, indeed, difficult to leave such an excellent state as Minnesota, the familiar and beautiful scenes and the fine folks who have been so cordial, cooperative and loyal. In saying goodbye to you all, I wish you all the best of fortune and fell every wish that I have received from the Extension Service. Call on me whenever you visit the Pacific Northwest.—Frank E. Balmer,

Zavoral's Address

We have been informed that the address given for H. G. Zavoral in last month's News was not entirely correct. The right one is as follows: Kokoheji Per No. 3, Apartment 105, Moscow, Russia, U.S.S.R. Letters from him indicate that he is having a good time and is enjoying his work on the Soviet Government. We have some interesting details of his experiences which space will not permit us to publish.

In the meantime, Henry will be glad to hear from you. Regular letter is valued at the 2 cents postage, 21 days, while airmail takes 23 cents and only 11 days.

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With this issue, Extension Service News begins the tenth year of its publication as a house organ for staff members of the Agricultural Extension Service. The bulletin is closely associated with it.

One would expect that the workers in this field of Extension are doing some sort of work that is closely related to and comparatively simple in the doing of a more or less routine job. The success of this Extension work that has been made in the development of the agricultural extension system.

Remembering the opportunity of studying the growth of the service, it is important to point out that contributions to this progress and to the conclusions that we do make are not likely to be so greatly appreciated as the details of the actual work that has been accomplished. All these things point conclusively to the fact that milestones of progress are being set that will serve as a guide in offering opportunities to rural people for self-improvement.

While the facts of progress cannot be questioned, and we realize that progress is not always present a very serious danger in measuring results and in declaring that we have accomplished our objectives, there is always a feeling of satisfaction, or the feeling that we have arrived at our destination, or that we can ride along on our laurels and follow the lines of least resistance. This is a danger in many types of public work. The safeguard is the practice of redoubling our efforts, of redefining our functions and objectives and of re-establishing additional goals for achievement.

As matters of recorded fact, we are not reaching as many people as we should, we are not preparing ourselves for the development of higher standards, so great is the peril of complacency, and we are all of us inclined at times to be tempted in the direction of complacency and procedure. Therefore the real encouraging indication is that we are dissatisfied, we are seeking constantly to improve our methods, to improve our handling of our job, and we are manifesting that restless spirit of seeking new methods and new ways and new contacts that is permanent in the study of progress.

Aune Gets Scott Post; Stower to Sherburne

RAYMOND AUNE, agent for the past six years in Sherburne county, has been succeeded by John Blaisdell of the same county, September 16. Mr. Aune is the son of a leading swine and dairy farmer of Pope county, who was formerly president of the Pope county farm bureau.

Aune graduated from the Minnesota College of Agriculture in 1921 and secured a M.S. degree the following year, having taught in animal husbandry. For two years he was principal of the State Agricultural High School at Velva, North Dakota, in charge of the agricultural department. In Sherburne county, Mr. Aune not only carried on an effective extension program but was also actively connected with the Sherburne county fair, helping to reorganize it and put it on a sound financial basis.

C. E. Stower, for several months assistant agent in Hennepin, has been elected Sherburne agent, succeeding Mr. Aune. Mr. Stower reared near Frederic, Wisconsin. He attended the School of Agriculture at the University of Minnesota, and while at the college was elected to Alpha Zeta Chi, the agricultural fraternity at University Farm, receiving his degree last June. During the summers from 1925 to 1928 he was employed by the soils division of the experiment station at the Coon Creek Experimental Fields.

Putnam to N. Dakota; Denner Is Successor

HENRY O. PUTNAM, Fillmore county agent since July 1, 1929, has been left that position October 1 and become the county agent of Itasca county, North Dakota, with headquarters at Bismarck, the state capital. This situation offers Mr. Putnam a good promotion, and a type of agriculture with which he is quite familiar, due to his background of farm experience gained in Ottertail county, Minnesota, and subsequent county agent service in Itasca, where he served the extension service of Minnesota wishes Mr. Putnam abundant success in his new field.

The Fillmore county office will be filled by Samuel G. Denner, beginning his first year of county agent service. He is a native of Iowa and was graduated from the State College in 1922, where he specialized in animal husbandry.

For a time after completing his college work, Mr. Denner was field solicitor for a livestock commission company and from May 1925 to May 1927 was extension agricultural agent of Butler county, Iowa. Thereafter he came to the University of Minnesota, attended the American Institute of Co-operation, continued his studies at University Farm and secured his Master's degree in the summer of 1928. Since October, 1928, he has been an extension agriculture specialist at the North Dakota Agricultural College.

Given Farewell Picnic

Fillmore county folks showed their appreciation for the faithful service of Mr. Putnam by surprise picnic for him on Sunday after noon at Lake Josephine. A large number of Picnic fans flocked to the picnic grounds given by Everett Grady, junior club leader, who on behalf of the 4-H club members presented Mr. Putnam a gold ring, and Gerhard Kaser, farm bureau president, who told of the good work done in the county and presented a purse contributed by farm bureau members. Other speakers were C. L. Mathes, representing the Agricultural Extension service, and Congressman Victor Christensen of Austin.

Stevens, Mower Will Have H. D. Agents Soon

STEVENS and Mower counties are to have county home demonstration agents just as soon as application dates can be selected and announced. Miss Julia O. Newton, state home demonstration specialist, decided early in September to add regular home demonstration workers to the county extension forces.

The two agents for these counties will bring the total of county home demonstration agents in the state to 33. Lac qui Parle county recently brought the number to 11. Other counties or county units having agents include Steele, Rice Itasca, North St. Louis, South St. Louis, Stearns, Washington, Stephenson, Earth, Brown, Hennepin, and Faribault. In addition, Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth each has an auxiliary agent in the state, making a total grand of 16.

Pine County Stages Big Aggie School Round-Up

W. F. HAMMARGREN, Pine county agent, has started the idea of a Send-Off Banquet for all the Pine county students planning to attend the School of Agriculture at University Farm. On September 17 a banquet was held at Sandstone with an attendance of 65, including graduates, former students and prospective students of the School and business men of Pine county.

Congressman Victor Christensen, class of '17, spoke on the value of a School of Agriculture education. John Christianson, acting principal, explained the School and welcomed the new students who were to register on September 18.

It is anticipated that this affair, which was a big success, will be adopted by other counties and be developed into a regular event, a school of agriculture round-up before the fall term opens. Pine county is sending 20 students to the School this fall.

Eight Farmers Finish Baby Beef Contest

EIGHT farmers finished in the 1929 Minnesota Carload Beef Contest, sponsored by the Minnesota Livestock Breeders' association and conducted by W. E. Morris, livestock commissioner, Minneapolis, through the co-operation of county agents.

The object of the contest is to encourage the market of baby beef by selling calves at 15 cents at 410 days of age. Winners and the average weights of their calves follow: first, O. C. Aube of Sauk, Hancock, Stevens county, average 97.2 pounds; second, James Ellsworth, Magnolia, Roberts county, 892.6 pounds; third, Doyl Brothers, Granada, Martin county, 857.2; fourth, Ole Hansen, Lakeshore, Fillmore county, 855.2; Cox Brothers, Adrian, Clay county, 846.4; sixth, John W. Ab¬

Hickman Quits To Take Job as Indian Agent

CHARLES C. HICKMAN, a 1927 graduate of the Minnesota College of Agriculture, has resigned his county agent service in Pipestone county to become associated with the Bureau of Indian Affairs of the United States Department of the Interior.

Preparatory to entering the county agent service, Mr. Hickman assisted Mr. James E. Schlegel at Minnesota State College. He was born in Pipestone county and has been engaged in farming. He has an interesting Indian background and is the location of one of the Indian schools. Mr. Hickman's resignation is evidently another example of the influence of environment. For a time Mr. Hickman was principal of Mankato with his headquarters temporarily at Pipestone. The best wishes of the extension service are extended to him and his family.

New Picture-News Service Planned; You Can Help; Send Good Photos

The Division of Publications is planning to establish an illustrated news service to promote the use of improved farming and home-making methods in Minnesota, merely that the present news services will be supplemented with illustrations in mat form.

Series of pictures will be assembled illustrating the various extension projects and the activities of the University Department of Agriculture, especially those of the experiment station. Cuts will be made and reproduced in a printed catalog containing statements explaining their significance. Copies of this catalog will be supplied to extension workers and newspapers so that they may order mats to use in illustrating news or feature stories.

A series will make the news service of the division more attractive to the press and increase the use of extension publicity throughout the state, as well as adding to the effectiveness of the instructive articles offered to the press.

Extension specialists can help to supply desirable pictures by going over or the projects which are to carry for the coming year and submitting them to the Division of Publications. Any interesting project can be worked and carry the lessons. County workers can do the same, supplying pictures which will illustrate projects to be emphasized in their several counties this year.
St. Louis Trip Winners Will Leave October 11

T HE 4-H dairy calf club members who have been selected for the Minneapolis Journal trip to the National Dairy Show at St. Louis will leave Minneapolis Saturday afternoon, October 11, arriving at St. Louis Sunday morning.

The counties represented in the party are as follows: St. Louis, Stanley, Winona, Rice; Mower, Faribault; Dodge, Hennepin, Hines; Goodhue, Rice; Nicollet, Carver, Lyon; Scott, Freeborn, Winona, Winona, Cannon, Olmsted, Le Sueur; and Isanti, Wright.

Mrs. Myron Hageman of Roseau, Harold Berg of Hennepin, David Dilman of Haverim, and Howard Meeker of Morrison have been named to组成 the company.

A new trip offered for the first time this year by the Dairy Supply company of Minneapolis to the dairy club calf member making an outstanding record was awarded to Ralph Ruble of Sibley county. In addition to the above trip winners to the National Dairy Show, four counties have recommended girls as outstanding dairy calf club members.

A trip to the National Dairy Congress in Chicago is being planned for the following counties:

St. Louis, Winona, Rice, Mower, Faribault, Dodge, Hennepin, Hines, Goodhue, Rice, Nicollet, Carver, Lyon, Scott, Freeborn, Winona, Olmsted, Le Sueur, and Isanti, Wright.

The total cost of premiums for the club department was $1666 as compared with $1277 during the previous year.

Amy Wessel Will Join 4-H Staff at U. Farm

M iss Amy Wessel, who for more than four years has been home demonstration agent in Brown county, will join the state club staff at University Farm this month, succeeding Miss Leona Peterson.

Miss Peterson was a 1929 graduate of the University of Minnesota and for five years taught home economics in high schools at Blackduck, Montevideo, Fergus Falls, and Maniste.

She has been president of the Minnesota Home Demonstration Agents' association since it was founded in 1928.

Miss Peterson, a member of the club staff since August 1929, resigned to become Mrs. Theodore Christgau.

The couple were married about the middle of September and will live at Dallas, Texas, where Mr. Christgau represents the Land O' Lakes Creameries, Inc. Miss Peterson made many friends during her 4-H club work who are sorry to see her leave but who wish her much happiness in her new job.

30 Trips for Hort Show

Home beautification and garden club members are all interested in the State Horticultural and the Minnesota Garden Flower Societies' annual meeting and exhibit at Minneapolis, November 8th and 9th.

Thirty winners in the above two projects will be given trips to this important meeting. Each county agent is asked to recommend two or three garden or home beautification club members for these trips. Recommendations, together with final reports, should be sent to the state office before November 1st.

Minnesota will have a large delegation of 4-H club members going to the National Club Congress at Chicago in November.

COMING 4-H CLUB EVENTS

Biwabik Potato Show

Four-H potato club members are urged to enter exhibits of 32 pots of potatoes to the Potato Show to be held at Biwabik, October 24, 25, and 26. Two ew will be featured in the state 4-H potato show. The state winner will be selected at that time. Liberal cash prizes will be awarded. Each exhibitor should be sure also to send his complete record.

A number of educational trips will be awarded.

The agents and leaders should encourage those having creditable yields and exhibits to take part.

Junior Livestock Show

The National Livestock Show will be held at South St. Paul, November 10, 11, 12, and 13. The 4-H club event promises to be bigger and better than any of those in previous years. Five county winners together with their final project reports are due.

Many Prizes For New Meat Animal Contest

SCHOLARSHIPS, trips to the National Club Congress, fine gold watches and gold medals make up the list of prizes offered in the new National Meat Animal Livestock Project which was recently announced for the state club leaders. The contest is open to any 4-H club member carrying the meat animal livestock projects, namely, baby beef, purebred beef animal, market hog, breeding hog, market sheep and breeding sheep.

The prizes are donated by Thomas E. Wilson, chairman of the National Committee on Boys' and Girls' club work and president of Wilson & Company, packers. Gold filled medals of honor will be given to county champions who will compete for the state prize of a $50 gold watch. State champions will compete in sectional contests to the National Meat Animal Congress. National prizes include three scholarships of $300, $200, and $100. A $50 special prize will be awarded to a single county club.

Report blanks for contestants have been sent to county club leaders. These should be filled out and returned to the state leader by October 15.

4-H Program Over KSTP

A 4-H program will be broadcast over station KSTP on November 23rd and 24th. The first quarter hour will be devoted to music and addresses by members of the U. S. Department at Washington, D. C.

From 11:45 to 12:15 a program will be given by club members and leaders of Minnesota. The program will close with music and other 4-H features from Washington, D. C.

Erickson Assists On Training School Staff

T. A. Erickson, state club leader, was designated as a member of the lecture and training school staff at the International 4-H Leadership Training School at Springfield, Mass., last month.

He spent two hours of each afternoon with the boys and girls, training them in field organization methods. Mr. Erickson was the only state club leader attending the school.

Faribault Project Booth

On September 15, John Shew, retiring Scott county agent, mailed to four Scott county agents his final weekly project information work. This letter represented the last one of a series running unbroken for nearly seven and a half years. Not for a single week in all that time have the four agents failed to receive the county agent's news. Considering that news is usually spread by the extension method, this is a record worth emulating.
Cooke Jots Glimpses of European Journey

The Fourth World's Poultry Congress was "bigger and better" than ever according to Miss Coral Cooke, special correspondent of the Evening News, who attended the Congress, which opened in Turin on September 15th. The Congress is said to be the largest of its kind in the world and is attended by representatives from 33 countries.

Miss Cooke reports that the Congress has a broadened scope and a larger number of exhibits than ever before. The Congress is being held in the new exhibition palace, the Gran Madre della Patria, which is also being used for the World's Fair in Turin.

The Congress has been divided into three sections: the technical section, the commercial section, and the social section. The technical section includes lectures, demonstrations, and shows of new equipment.

Miss Cooke states that the Congress has been well attended by visitors, including many farmers and poultry producers from different countries. The exhibits include new breeds of poultry, new feeding equipment, and new methods of poultry production.

Miss Cooke concludes her report by saying that the Congress has been a great success and that it will have a lasting impact on the poultry industry in the world. She states that the Congress has shown that the poultry industry is an important part of the economy and that it can be a source of income for farmers and poultry producers.