



on ag campus



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Drouth proof farm methods reported

Agronomy convention hears Duley, Russel discuss conservation

NEW ORLEANS, La. Nov. 23—Two Nebraska agronomists reported progress in their efforts to develop a more nearly "drouth proof" system of farming, during a meeting here Wednesday of crops and soils scientists from all parts of the nation.

The reports by Dr. F. L. Duley and J. C. Russel were part of the first day's program of a three-day session of the American Society of Agronomy. Headed by Dr. F. D. Keim, chairman of the agronomy department at the University of Nebraska college of agriculture, a total of 15 Nebraska agronomists are attending the meetings. Dr. Keim is also chairman of the crops section of the national organization.

Three papers.

Duley and Russel presented a series of three papers discussing results of their tests in soil and moisture conservation, conducted cooperatively by the research division of the U. S. Soil Conservation Service, and the University of Nebraska agricultural experiment station.

Building on previous research work of other scientists throughout the nation, the Nebraska men are throwing new light on old problems of moisture conservation and erosion control.

One of their most important observations is that rain striking bare land apparently beats down the surface, fitting small particles around larger ones to form a thin, slick and comparatively "water-proof" layer over the land. This layer sheds water causing it to be lost in runoff instead of being absorbed into the ground.

Other research work of the past quarter century has indicated that sod is the most effective crop cover for protecting land in the Great Plains where forests are meager. However, the Nebraskans have found that where grass was clipped close to the ground and the surface organic matter carefully removed, most of the value of the cover in reducing runoff was lost.

Fowler, Hatcher teams lead in Nebraska ball

Teams headed by Maudie Fowler and Betty Hatcher are tied for first place in the Nebraska ball league on ag campus. Julia Waldo captains the second place Ag coed team. The girls play games every week. All girls interested have been divided into teams and entered in the league.

Orfield appointed

Professor L. B. Orfield of the College of Law has been appointed a member of the committee on procedure, prosecution and defense of the section on criminal law of the American Bar association.

Dates are getting scarcer as Ball time approaches

And speaking about ag boys and gals that will be heing themselves to the Military Ball—here are some of the lucky ones: First to come to mind are Ellen Ann Armstrong and Will Pitner, who will make a twosome; Dick Gooding and Mildred Bauder will make another couple; Frank Shipman and Helen Weigandt, Glenn Thacker and Ruth Ann Sheldon, John Schick and Virginia Sack, and Willis Skrdla and Betty Jeanne Spalding will all be there.

Dorothy Mattley does her bit these days. The other afternoon she made her regular weekly pilgrimage down to the Union to

Home ec girls dine this evening

A service for the International Fellowship fund will be one of the new features at the Ellen H. Richards dinner for all home economics girls to be held this evening at 5:45 in the student activities building.

This dinner, held annually in honor of the founder of the American Home Economics association, is open to all home ec students and alumnae, according to Ople Hedlund, general chairman.

Contributions for the fellowship fund will be taken up in a service in charge of Sylvia Zocholl. These are sent to the American Home Economics association to help foreign girls study in the United States. Each year four or five come from Egypt, South America, and the Scandinavian countries to learn and take home with them advanced methods in the science of home economics.

Nebraska girls through their local home economics association expect to aid in the fund at the dinner Friday.

Ticket sales for the dinner will close Friday noon, according to the chairman. She urges that all home ec girls who plan to go make a reservation before that time.

Survey - -

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had from 1 to 3 years of college, had been unemployed at some time or another. Of the 525 graduates, 99 had suffered with unemployment at some time or another.

Most college graduates have been unemployed less than one year, the survey pointed out. 92 percent of those who had 1 to 3 years of college were unemployed less than a year in comparison with 80 percent of the college graduates who were unemployed for approximately the same period of time.

Studies of the effect of grade school and high school education showed that 85 percent of those who had eight years of primary education had been unemployed for one year or more. In the high school class only 60 percent were effected by unemployment for one year or more.

Of all the persons unemployed in Lincoln for more than three years between 1929 and 1939 ten percent had had college education and approximately half of them were college graduates. This figure is to be compared with 33 percent without work for three years or more who had only a high school background. Swayzee's survey brings out the fact that 80 percent of all persons unemployed for a period of over three years had gone no further than high school. Only 28 percent of the college graduates who were unemployed over the ten year period had been unemployed for three

see Boy Friend Dick Becker, Chi Phi, battle his way through the ping pong tournament.

"Alfalfa" Christensen (who got his name from Coll-Agri-Fun and his reading of a wedding ceremony) and Idamae Schneeflock are conscientious souls. They got out just the other day with their little basket and started gathering up leaves on ag campus. The leaves are still there, so the job must have been a big one.

There seems to be a third party entering into that Skrdla-Spalding duo. Seems that a lady from Skrdla's home town made it to the Kansas game. But 'tis said a few gray hairs couldn't mar Skrdla's good looks.

Ellen Wilkins and Jim Snyder's social life is complicated a bit these days by the fact that a man from her old home town is in school this semester—but there hasn't been any fire yet.

Rhoda Chesley and Paul Fidler are getting together more and more often, but then, being a judge in the animal husbandry department has its points.

And Lyle Clark going around with a worried look these days. Seems he doesn't want anyone to forget the "Fowl" mixer in the activities building Saturday night. Turkeys all ready to cook are going to be there for some lucky ones to take home, though.

John Mecham seems to be gathering feminine admirers almost as fast as his brother Floyd did but he says he doesn't have time for anything but basketball.

The porch light on Loomis hall still causes the men a lot of concern. But only the taller ones have any luck with it.

Ag 'Y' retreat set for tomorrow night

Ag students will go on a joint Y. M. - Y. W. retreat Saturday from 5 to 8 o'clock. They are to meet at ag hall at 5. Twenty cents has been set as the price. All students are invited.

years or longer.

Approximately 53% of the college graduates who were unemployed at some time or another in the ten year period were out of work for one year or longer. This percentage is approximately equal to the persons who had some employment for one year or longer and who had not finished their college work.

Dr. Swayzee pointed out that there is a definite relation between total unemployed and education. As a rule, he said, persons having a smaller educational background have suffered more unemployment in the ten years under study.

In a comparison of age to unemployment the survey shows that 26% of the total unemployed who are able and willing to work are under 25 years of age. According to these figures, Prof. Swayzee said, the younger generation is bearing the brunt of the depression.

Studies were also made of the shift in employment due to the depression and other economical and social conditions. Approximately 25% of the persons enumerated in the survey had shifted employment between 1929 and 1939. Thirty percent of those who changed positions changed because of depression and irregular working conditions where they were formerly employed. Of these, 16% shifted to better jobs.

About 10% of all the women enumerated in the last study were housewives who were forced to take work since 1929 due to inadequate earning powers of the chief breadwinner.

General results of the 4,173 persons enumerated show that 595 or 14.3% were unemployed on Nov. 1 of this year, compared with 26.5% in 1932, 25.2% in 1933 and 14.1% in 1937. Slightly less than half of the unemployed were able and willing to work. The remainder were either unable or unwilling. The same was true in 1937, but in 1932 and 1933 those able and willing constituted around

60 register for short farm course

Registration Monday of around 60 farm youths for the annual farm operators' short course at the university exceeded last year's opening day enrollment, according to J. V. Srb, supervisor of short courses at the college of agriculture.

Home addresses of the boys now registered include Colorado, Kansas, Iowa and New York, in addition to 30 Nebraska counties as widely scattered as Otoe and Dawes, Chase and Dakota. A number of additional late arrivals are expected.

The ag college Y. M. C. A. entertained the youths at a "get acquainted" party and lunch Monday evening. Earlier in the day, they took preliminary tests in arithmetic and English and were shown about the agricultural campus to locate the various classrooms. A check-up on musical abilities of the youths indicated plenty of talent for the annual "farm-op" orchestra conducted by Mr. Srb.

Dancers vie for prizes tomorrow

Ag students will prep for their Thanksgiving vacation by dancing tomorrow night to Ross Richards and his "Aristocrats of Rhythm" on ag campus at their annual Thanksgiving dance, Lyle Clark, president of the Cornhusker Poultry Science club, said yesterday. The party is a mixer, and not a date affair.

Richard's recording orchestra "with the bouncing shuffle rhythm" coming to ag from engagements at Creighton University, Omaha, and the Orpheum Theater, Des Moines, features Doris Barker, "Radio's Sweetheart," Billy Irwin and his sizzling clarinet, and Jack Scogin, trumpeter and scat singer.

To give dancers a chance to make their Thanksgiving successful two turkeys will be given to two lucky dancers who come out first in telling certain facts about turkeys, Clark emphasized. He pointed out that other novelties will be offered during the evening.

This party will be the last ag function before vacation, the president said, and will give ag students a chance to get together for an evening before leaving the campus. The party is open to all university students, however. Tickets are 20 cents for women and 30 cents for men advance sale, and will be 25 and 35 at the door.

75% of the total unemployed.

An additional 7.2% of the total number of persons included in the survey were employed only part time. This is to be compared with

Ag program goes on air

Wireless broadcast starts at 1 tomorrow

Interesting things going on in Nebraska on farms together with something about practical recreational ideas for the holidays will feature the Farm Facts and Fun weekly radio broadcast tomorrow over a statewide wireless network. The program is on the air from 1 until 1:30 p. m., and is sponsored by the college of agriculture extension service.

Elvin F. Frolik and Walter Tolman—both of the college of agriculture—are to tell about some interesting observations they have made in visiting farms this fall in connection with the state P-F-L program which comes to a close in Omaha next Tuesday.

Ralph Copenhaver, assistant extension community specialist at the agricultural college, is to appear on the broadcast to present some novel ideas for farm and city family recreation during the holidays. He will offer suggestions for games of community groups from now until January 1.

All three people will be interviewed by George Round, state extension editor. The broadcast is heard each Saturday over WOW, Omaha; KGNF, North Platte; KGFV, Kearney; KMMJ, Grand Island, and WJAG, Norfolk.

Dancers will attend lessons on Thursdays

Dancers on ag campus have a chance to learn more about the art in the second of series of dancing lessons started yesterday afternoon in the activities building. From 5 to 6 o'clock every Thursday for the next six weeks of school both beginners and advanced student dancers are invited to join the classes.

Pool writes article

Dr. R. J. Pool, chairman of the department of botany, has an article in a recent issue of the Bulletin of the Torrey Botanical club, entitled "Some Reactions of the Vegetation in the Cities and Towns of Nebraska to the Great Drouth." This is the paper which he read before the Ecological Society of America at its last meeting at Richmond, Va.

12.2% in 1932, 10.2% in 1933, and 10% in 1937.

Seventy-eight and five-tenths percent of all enumerated were full time employes. In 1932 the figure was approximately 15% smaller. From the low of 1932 the full time employes have increased in stages of approximately 7%.

In 1939 46% of the idle able and willing to work group were under 35 years of age compared with 55% in 1937. The conclusion from these figures shows that the position of the young is steadily improving, but they are still taking it on the chin during depression years.

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