Honoring Those Who Have Served

Recently the College of Agriculture of the University of Arizona awarded copper medallions to a group of men and women who have contributed mightily to the agriculture of the state. These were awarded on the occasion of the Seventy-fifth Anniversary year of the University of Arizona.

To those of us in the College of Agriculture this anniversary is especially significant. It was in 1885 that a Territorial Legislature established the University of Arizona. It was 1890 when three departments were established — Agriculture, Mines and Engineering, and the Agricultural Experiment Station. In 1891 the University was open to students. In 1915 the Preparatory Department was closed and this University was reorganized into three colleges — Letters, Arts and Science; Mines and Engineering; Agriculture. The Bureau of Mines was also established then.

The copper medallion, paying tribute to alumni and others who have contributed to this University's greatness in teaching, research and service to the state, has great significance.

One face shows the torch of truth borne by a hand symbolic of the faculty. There is a relief map of the state to show that the University serves all the state, as the state's Land-Grant educational institution. A star on the map indicates the location of Tucson, and a mountain range represents the state's terrain.

The saguaro cactus, which bears Arizona's state flower, is shown on the reverse of the medallion. There is also a branch of the Phoenix palm, symbolizing triumph of knowledge over natural barriers. Between the cactus and the palm, the seal of the University of Arizona is placed. Each medallion, as bestowed, will carry the name of the recipient.

Agriculture, and this College of Agriculture, depends on two groups of men and women — those who in the past have built so strongly a foundation of research knowledge and educational practices, and those who will, in future years, reach into vastly wider realms of knowledge, learning and teaching in the greatest cause of humanity.

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Aggie Scenes From Long Ago

Our cover picture in this issue actually is several pictures, old time pictures which it is nice to review at this time when the University of Arizona is celebrating its 75th anniversary and the Agricultural Experiment Station its 70th anniversary.

Here is the description of these scenes, as numbered in the cover layout:

1. The first UA livestock judging team to participate in intercollegiate competition, 1925. Reading left to right, Professor E. B. Stanley, Dr. John W. McInnes, Merle Mundhenke, Irwin Ingram, Orval A. Knox, Forrest W. Manley, Hiram J. Shouse.

2. Staff of the UA College of Agriculture in 1912 — A. E. Vinson, Biochemist; W. H. Lawrence, Horticul tivist; A. L. Enger, Asst. Engineer; G. E. P. Smith, Irrigation Engineer; C. R. Fillerup, Farm Foreman; J. J. Thornber, Botanist; R. H. Forbes, Director, Experiment Station; Arthur H. Wilde, President, U of A; George F. Freeman, Plant Breeder; S. F. Morris, Director, Extension Service; F. W. Wilson, Animal Husbandman; C. N. Catlin, Asst. Chemist; C. E. Grassick, Secretary; Frank Simmons, Foreman, Date Orchard; C. J. Wood, Foreman, Experiment Farm; W. J. Flake, Foreman, Experiment Farm; F. G. McGuffin, Foreman, Tucson Farm; D. C. Aepli, Foreman, Experiment Farm; L. L. Bates, Foreman, Prescott Farm; J. C. T. Uphof, Plant Breeder.

3. Animal husbandry students, on a field trip judging Angora goats at the Aubrey Gist ranch near Skull Valley, 1919. Goat raising was a fairly flourishing business then. In later years it declined and today is of little economic importance in Arizona.

4. Students in Agriculture and Home Economics operating a Chuck Wagon stand at the Tucson Livestock Show, 1936, to raise funds for their stock judging teams.

5. Students enrolled in the range and livestock field course on tour of Arizona range areas, 1919.

6. Feeding yucca to drought-stricken range cattle in southern Arizona, 1918. Plants were cut with an ax, hauled to a central location and shredded or finely chopped with special machines. An emergency feed, chopped yucca kept cattle from starving during long drought periods.

7. A part of the ostrich flock on the University grounds, 1915. Ostrich raising at that time was engaged in to a limited extent by farmers in the Salt River Valley. The University acquired a flock of 14 birds for special studies. It was soon realized that ostriches would be of little or no importance, economically or otherwise, and the project was discontinued.

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