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NEWS AND NOTES

The 68th Annual Meeting of the American Society of Animal Science will be held August 15 to 18, 1976 at Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

The National Association of Animal Breeders will hold its 30th Convention August 15 to 18 at the Washington Plaza Hotel, Seattle, Washington. Convention hosts cooperating with NAAB are All West Breeders, Burlington, Washington and British Columbia Artificial Insemination Centre, Milner, B.C. Convention Chairman is Victor Gray, Assistant Manager, All West Breeders.

A Conference on **The Genetic Effects of Aging** will be held September 12 to 17 at The Jackson Laboratory, Bar Harbor, Maine. It is sponsored by The National Foundation — March of Dimes, and is being organized by David E. Harrison, The Jackson Laboratory, Bar Harbor, Maine 04609; 207-288-3373, ext. 296.

International Conference on Quantitative Genetics, Iowa State University, August 16 to 21, 1976. Program consists of presentations by leading research geneticists plus discussions by conference participants. Proceedings will be published; families invited. For detailed information on program, registration, housing, and family activities, write: Dr. Oscar Kempthorne or Dr. Edward Pollak, Conference Organizers, Department of Statistics, 111 Snedecor Hall, ISU, Ames, Iowa 50011.

Charles A. Lassiter, head of the Department of Dairy Science at Michigan State since 1959, became head of the Department of Animal Science at North Carolina State University on June 1. He succeeds Dr. I. D. Porterfield, who has headed the department since 1962 and who plans to return to teaching and research.

Dr. Lassiter, 49, is a native of Murray, Ky. He has B.S. and M.S. degrees in Animal Science from the University of Kentucky, and his Ph.D. in Dairy Nutrition from Michigan State. He was on the dairy faculty of the University of Kentucky from 1952 until he joined the dairy faculty at Michigan State in 1956.

Dr. Lassiter is a past director of the American Dairy Science Association. He was the 1958 recipient of the American Feed Manufacturers' Award, and the 1964 recipient of the Distinguished Nutritionist Award given by the Distiller's Feed Research Council.

Warren Gifford, Professor Emeritus and former head, Department of Animal Sciences, University of Arkansas, passed away at El Paso, Texas on April 29, 1976. He is survived by a son, Arthur S. Gifford of El Paso, Texas; three grandchildren; two brothers, William L. Gifford of Morgantown, West Virginia, and Clyde Gifford of Wooster, Ohio; and a sister, Mrs. Gorida Hutson of Salem, West Virginia.

C. B. Ammerman, animal nutritionist at the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS), has been named international president-elect of Gamma Sigma Delta, agricultural honor society. Dr. Ammerman was elected for a two-year period at the Biennial Conclave held recently at Purdue University, Lafayette, IN.

Recognized internationally for research work in animal nutrition, Dr. Ammerman has received the Gamma Sigma Delta Junior Faculty Award of Merit for Research, the Moorman Travel Fellowship for Animal Nutrition Research, and the Gustav Bohstedt Award for Mineral Research.

He was initiated into Gamma Sigma Delta in 1955, and has served as both secretary and president of the Florida Chapter. In addition, he was elected a fellow of the American Association for Advancement of Science in 1975, and to the Committee on Animal Nutrition of the National Academy of Science in 1976.

A member of the IFAS faculty since 1958, he received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from the University of Kentucky and the Ph.D. degree from the University of Illinois.

While at the University of Florida, he has been responsible for over 200 scientific publications, more than half of which are in the field of mineral nutrition. Dr. Ammerman has also researched such areas of the biological availability of nutrients in feeds and the use of by-product feedstuffs and low quality roughages.

He is a member of Sigma Xi, Phi Sigma, American Society of Animal Science, American Institute of Nutrition, American Dairy Science Association, American Association for the Advancement of Science, Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine and Asociacion Latinamericana de Produccion Animal.

Textbook of Veterinary Histology, edited by Horst-Dieter Dellmann and Esther M. Brown. 1976. 513 pages; 482 illustrations; 3 color plates. Price \$24.50. Lea & Febiger, Washington Square, Philadelphia, PA 19106. The nine contributors, including the two editors, concentrated their efforts on those facts which are considered to be essential to the understanding of morphologic concepts and of structure-function interrelationships. The textbook was written specifically for veterinary medical students rather than for graduate students or other histologists. The 18 chapters are as follows: Cytology; Epithelium; Connective and Supportive Tissues; Blood and Bone Marrow; Muscular Tissue; Nervous Tissue; Cardiovascular System; Lymphatic System; Respiratory System; Digestive System; Urinary System; Male Reproductive System; Female Reproductive System; Placentation; Endocrine System; Nervous System; Eye and Ear; Integument.

The Mammalian Fetus: Comparative Biology and Methodology, edited by E.S.E. Hafez. 1975. Figures, tables, 352 pages. Charles C Thomas, Springfield, Illi-

nois. This book is based on a symposium on the comparative biology and methodology of "The Mammalian Fetus" which was held on December 3 and 4, 1973 to dedicate the foundation of the C. S. Mott Center for Human Growth and Development, Wayne State University School of Medicine, Detroit, Michigan. There were thirty-one contributors. The four sections of the book cover the following areas: Section I – Perinatal Physiology; Section II – Nutrition and Fetal Growth Development; Section III – Methodology and Interuterine Diagnosis; Section IV – Anomalies of Fetal Development.

Practical Pig Nutrition by C. T. Whittemore and F. W. H. Elsley. Farming Press Limited, 1976. Obtainable from Diamond Farm Book Publishers, P. O. Box 266, Alexandria Bay, NY 13607. Pages 190; figures, tables, photographs. The purpose of this book is to contribute to a change in attitude and action with regard to diet formulation and to the practical decisions in the choice of pig-feeding programs. The twelve chapter headings are as follows: Objective of Pig Nutrition; Pig Products; Proteins; Energy; Minerals; Vitamins and Water; Appetite; Rationing; Choosing a Feeding Program for Growing Pigs – with the Help of a Model; Choosing a Feeding Program for the Breeding Herd; Feedstuffs; Diet Formulation; In Conclusion.

Beef A. I. Conference Proceedings Available. Off the press and ready to mail are the proceedings of the Tenth Beef A. I. Conference held in January 1975 at Denver, and attended by people from 35 states and four Canadian Provinces. Discussions of all the program participants are contained in these proceedings. Their topics are timely, and many of the discussions are aimed at enhancing management programs for higher conception, more efficient production, and greater profits utilizing A. I. programs. This 84-page book, well illustrated, contains a wealth of useful information especially for beef ranchers, teachers, A. I. personnel, research workers and others.

Topics include: "Management to Minimize Calving Difficulty," by Dan Laster; "Crossbreeding With Different Biological Types," by Dr. Larry Cundiff; "Marketing High Cutability Beef," by G. E. Kaumeyer and Dr. Ralph Durham; "Semen Handling in the Field," by Dr. B. W. Pickett, and "Practical Approaches to Beef A. I." discussed by ranchers Harris Swayze, James Becker and William Jones.

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Tropical Animal Production (Produccion Animal Tropical). This new journal is published jointly by the

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The first issue of the **Journal of Food Protection** will appear in January, 1977. This international monthly journal in the English language will publish research and review papers on all topics in food science and on the food aspects of the animal (dairy, poultry, meat, seafood) and plant (cereals, fruits, vegetables) sciences.

Major emphasis of the journal will be on: (a) cause and control of all forms (chemical, microbial, natural toxicants) of foodborne illness, (b) contamination (chemical, microbial, insects, rodents, etc.) and its control in raw foods and in foods during processing, distribution, and preparing and serving to customers, (c) causes of food spoilage and its control through processing (low temperatures, high temperatures, preservatives, drying, fermentation, etc.), (d) food quality and chemical, microbiological and physical methods to measure the various attributes of food quality, (e) the food service industry, and (f) wastes from the food industry and means to utilize or treat the wastes.

The **Journal of Food Protection** is published by the International Association of Milk, Food, and Environmental Sanitarians. The new journal replaces the **Journal of Milk and Food Technology** that was published for 39 years by the same association.

Inquiries about manuscripts for publication should be addressed to the Editor, Dr. Elmer H. Marth, Department of Food Science, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin 53706, U.S.A. Information about subscriptions and advertising can be obtained from the Managing Editor, Mr. Earl O. Wright, P. O. Box 701, Ames, Iowa 50010, U.S.A.