

Reference Notes

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Cover: Photo from Albert “Bob” and Anna Kassuba

Page 1 Cover of 1933 annual report by Leon Drake. Graphic of organizational chart by author

Page 2 Photos left to right top row: County Courthouse; 4-H Raspberry Club from the 1929 4-H Club Agent Report p.4; Sunflower test plot from the cover of the 1920 annual report. Bottom row: Potato sprayer courtesy of the OCHS; 4-H calf fitting demonstration 1928 4-H Club Agent Report p.4, Top O' Michigan Potato Show courtesy of OCHS.

Page 3 Photo of R. D. Bailey courtesy of the OCHS.

Page 4 1930s photos left to right top row: 1938 land use tour 1938 p.28, 4-H boys planting pine seedlings 1938 p.49, wind erosion 1938 p. 40. Bottom row: 4-H clothing club 1930 4-H Club Report p.3; abandoned house for sale 1938 p. 38, hybrid corn test plot 1938 p.7

Page 5 Northern Michigan Tuberculosis Sanitarium postcard from author's collection

Page 6 1940s Photos left to right top row: family fishing in Pigeon River State Forest 1940 p. 74; Ray McMullen, Jack Post, and unidentified SCS man outside log office – Ballenger collection; Kiwanis 4-H Club Fair 1943 p.38. Bottom row: Patsy MacKenzie with lamb 1940 p. 63a; WWII Victory Garden poster from Wikipedia; mattress making at Charlton Township Hall 1941 p. 57

Page 7 Milkweed clip art – USDA NRCS web page; photo of Ray McMullen – Ballenger collection.

Page 8 1950s photos left to right top row: Archery practice at 4-H summer camp 1953 p.29; dairy barn photo from Extension bulletin; cooking demonstration with June Howery and Geraldine Briley 1948 p.32. Bottom row: Extension office in Chamber of Commerce log building courtesy of the OCHS, 4-H gardening 1953 p.16; Red School courtesy of the OCHS.

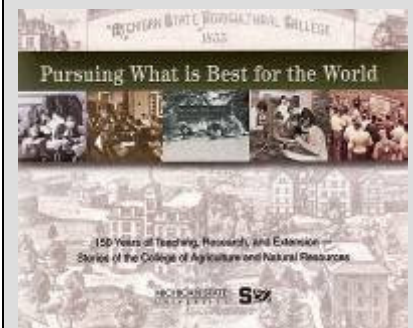
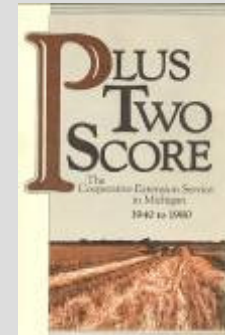
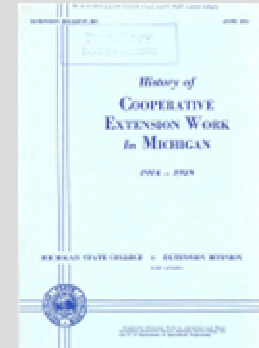
Page 10 1960s photos left to right top row: tree seedling planting from Gaylord Chamber of Commerce; 50th anniversary logo; 4-H dress revue judges Mattie Lee Townsend, Roberta Wolf, Margaret Woodmansee, and Shirley Moorhead, Julia Saigeon standing – Ballenger collection. Bottom row: natural gas well from Gaylord Chamber of Commerce, 4-H rabbit show ribbon from office file; “new” County Courthouse where the Extension office was located from 1969-1980.

Page 11 I-75 sign from Michigan Department of Transportation's web site; photo of Les Howard from office file

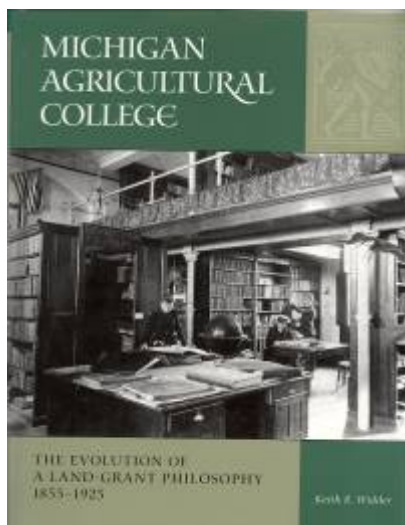
Page 12 Photos left to right top row: Centennial Farm sign at Albert “Bob” & Anna Kassuba's farm – author's collection; entrance to the Extension office at 200 Livingston Blvd.; Phil Alexander, Ann Wright, Betty Noeske, Les Howard, and Pam Kail. Bottom row: 4-H Adventure Quest Day Camp from office file; cover of 4-H Mulligan Stew from MSU 4-H web site; NMBBA livestock auction yard from Gaylord Chamber of Commerce

Page 13 Photo of Jack Middleton and MSU Extension logo from office file

Page 14 Agriculture and community development clip art from MS Word, 4-H from MSU 4-H web page, and home economics from MyPyramid.gov web page.



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“Extension thrived because it was highly organized at the federal, state, and college levels, and its agents worked with and through local government and associations, which they often had helped to organize in their counties. Paying attention to the details of the activities of people’s ordinary lives such as sewing clothes, preserving food, harvesting more potatoes per acre, and raising healthier chickens, made up the ‘stuff’ of extension. People welcomed agricultural and home demonstration agents into their homes, fields, schools, churches, and most important into their lives. “ -- excerpt from page 212

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Page 15 Map from Extension Special Bulletin 206 in 1939; photo of laminated rafter barn from 1940 annual report p.49; team of horses plowing from 1938 annual report p.42; and alfalfa seed combine from 1938 annual report p.11.

Page 16 Photo of potato crates from 1940 annual report p. 31; unidentified man from 1940 annual report p.27; Tom Milbocker’s potato digger from 1939 annual report p. 23, and Potato Growers Contest results from 1939 annual report p.20.

Page 17 Photo of Gaylord Creamery courtesy of OCHS; Feeder Cattle Sale brochure from 1946 annual report; and photo of Norris Horrocks, Ray McMullen, and Marge Sanders Tolman – from the Ballenger collection.

Page 18 Two photos of conservation practices from the 1940 annual report p. 43.

Page 19 Photo of clothing demonstration from the 1949 annual report p.31a; and the photo from Achievement Day Exhibit from the 1935 annual report p. 41.

Page 20 All three photos from the author’s collection and subjects are identified in the accompanying text.

Page 21 Photo of 4-H Dairy from the 1940 annual report p. 60; map from the 1938 4-H Club Work Report p. 3; photo of 4-H Achievement Day from the 1940 annual report p. 51; and photo of 4-Hers at the 1994 Otsego County Fair from office file Back row left to right: Mykel Jozwiak, Beth Prusakiewicz, Linda Slivinski, Pat Cook. Front row left to right: Billy Holewinski, Penny Gapinski, and Danielle Zimmerman

Page 22 Photos with welcome sign and horse from office file; photos of Mary Guggisberg and Bethany Prykucki from the author’s collection; and photo of Ann Wright from Ann Wright.

Page 23 Postcard of 4-H Club Camp from author’s collection, and photos of John Guggisberg, panoramic view of camp, and Herman Lunden on horse courtesy of the Otsego County Historical Society.

Page 24 Land use map from 1938 annual report p. 27.

Page 25 Scanned images of Extension bulletins from MSU Extension web page; scanned image of Elmer The Hired Man from the Otsego County Herald Times; and photo of Mike Reling from the office file.

Page 26 Photo of Mary Sanders and image of the MAEH emblem from the office file; photo of College Week from the 1938 Home Extension Work Report p. 10; and the MSU Master Gardener logo from the office file.

Page 27 Photo of Monsignor Kaminski and scanned image of the Top O’ Michigan Fair premium book courtesy of the Otsego County Historical Society; and the first Kiwanis 4-H Fair from the 1943 annual report p. 38.

Page 28 Photos of the Burzynski family and Margaret Woodmansee from the office files.

Page 29 Photo of the 2007 Extension team from the office files.

Page 30 Photo of the four men (names and date unknown) – from the Ballenger collection

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