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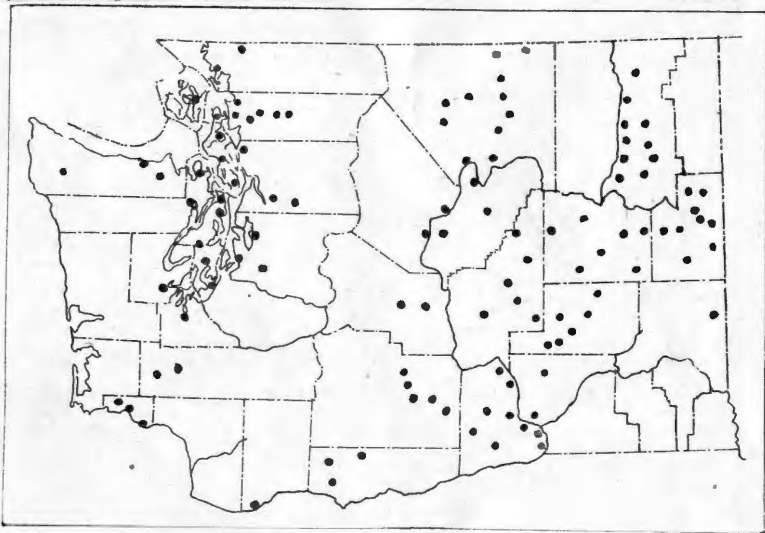
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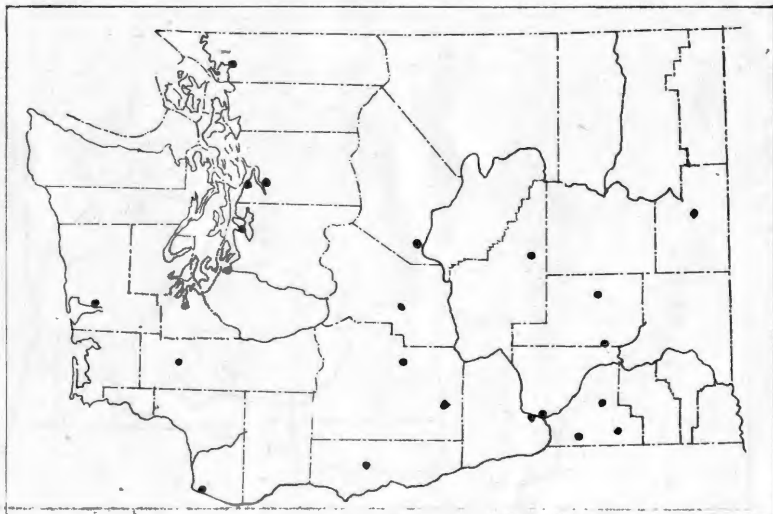
The work of this Department during the biennium has covered a wide range of activities and has reached a vast number of people in all parts of the state.

Much Extension Work is of a miscellaneous character, such as letters, personal visits, issuing of circulars, posters and bulletins, and is so thoroughly interwoven with other work of the College that no attempt is made to give separate data concerning what may be called the minor forms of the work. It may be stated, however, that all these lesser activities have greatly increased during the past two years, as shown by the great increase in the requests for bulletins and the growing demands made on the College for every form of Extension service.

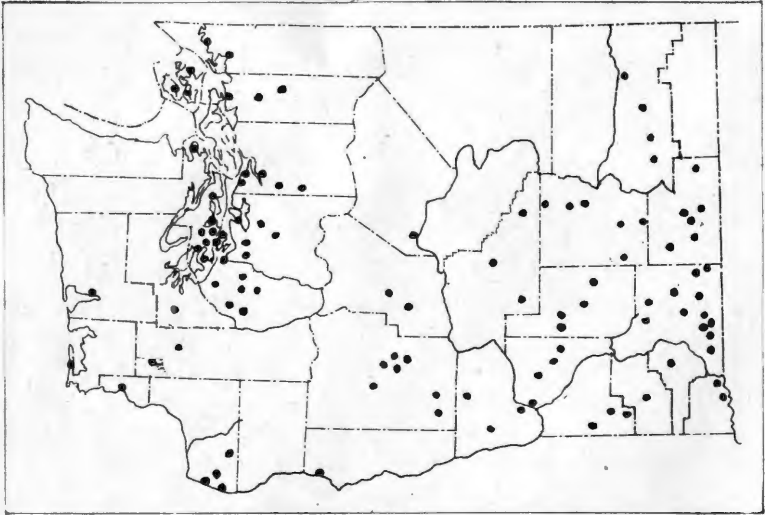
The principal lines of work can best be shown by the following series of maps and statistical reports showing the number and location of Farmers' Institutes, Movable or Extension Schools, Special Meetings, Demonstration Trains, Fair Exhibits, Correspondence Students, County Agriculturists.



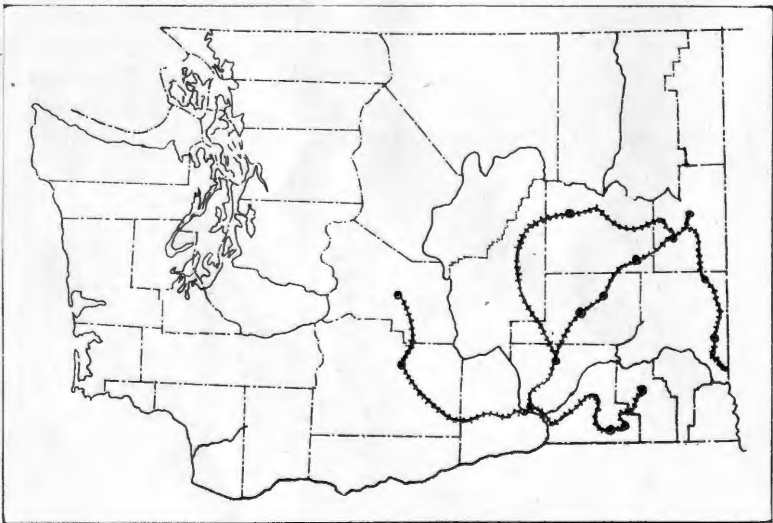
Map showing number and location of farmers institutes
January, 1913, to January, 1915



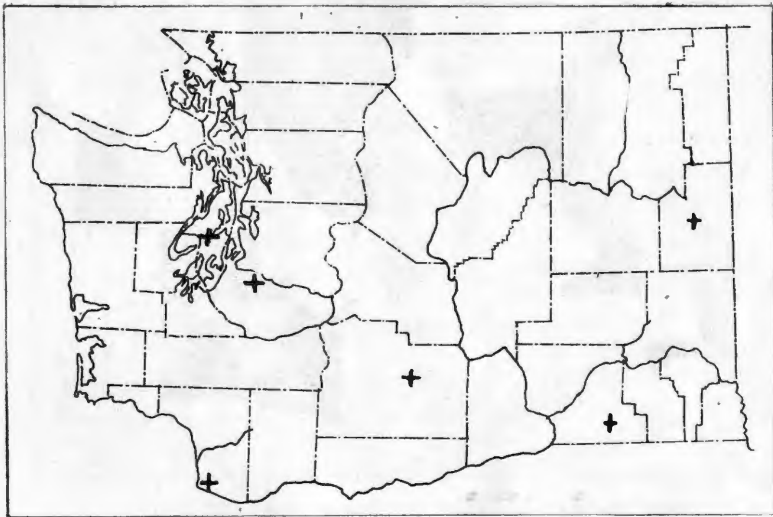
Map showing number and location of movable or extension schools
January, 1913, to January, 1915



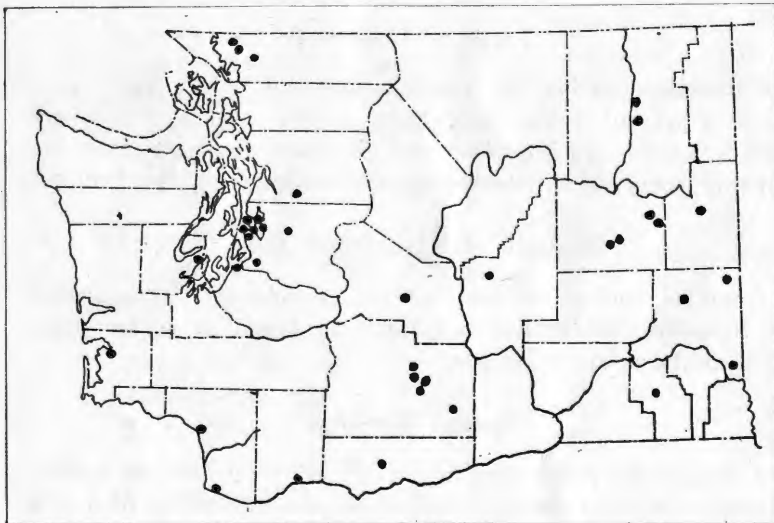
Map showing number and location of special meetings
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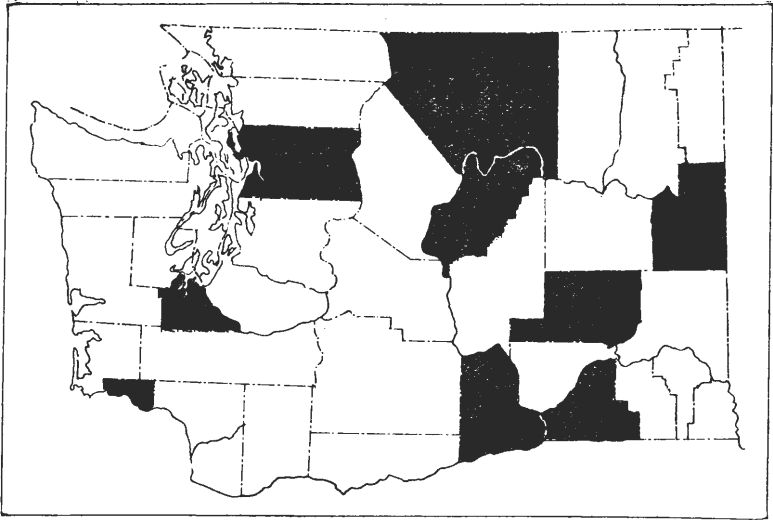
Map showing demonstration train routes
January, 1913, to January, 1915



Map showing fair exhibits January, 1913, to January, 1915



Map showing number and location of correspondence students



Map showing counties employing agriculturists

In explanation of the foregoing maps and statistics, the following summaries are given:

Farmers' Institutes

are meetings lasting from one to three days, at which subjects of present actual importance in the communities where they are held, are discussed and practical demonstrations regarding them are presented by specialists from the College.

Movable, or Extension Schools,

are carried on for one week or longer, and are characterized by intensive instruction calculated to result in better practices in the subjects taught.

Special Meetings

are, in general, those meetings called by the people themselves to celebrate some special occasion, as, the dedication of a new school building, etc., and at which a member of the College faculty is invited to be a speaker.

Fair Exhibits

are displays made by the College at the principal fairs of the state, showing forth the investigational and educational work done by the College and the Experiment Stations.

Correspondence Students

are persons who have enrolled in one or more courses for study by correspondence. Thus far they have been given no College credit, but, upon the completion of a prescribed course by correspondence, they receive a certificate stating this fact.

Demonstration Train Work

combines the features of an Institute and an Exhibit. It may also be described as "bringing the College to the people."

County Agriculturists

are, at present, appointed by the Bureau of Farm Development of the State of Washington, and, therefore, represent the State. By a co-operative agreement with its Director, this Bureau is also made a part of the Extension Department of the State College. In consequence of this arrangement County Agriculturists become representatives of the United States Department of Agriculture, in accordance with the Smith-Lever Agricultural Extension Law, the terms of which are stated in a later paragraph.

Recapitulation

The following recapitulation of the attendance at the foregoing forms of Extension Work will give an idea of its immense popularity:

Farmers' Institutes	Attendance	33,372
Extension Schools	"	32,453
Special Meetings	"	74,153
Fair Exhibits	"	150,000
Demonstration Trains	"	11,435
Correspondence Students	"	46

Total.....301,459

Boys' and Girls' Clubs

In addition to the work referred to by the foregoing maps and explanations, work for boys and girls has recently been started. A State Leader of Boys' and Girls' Clubs, Mr. T. J. Newbill, is employed for this work. He has already organized forty-six clubs for purposes such as canning of fruits and vegetables, poultry raising, potato growing, pig raising, etc. This work promises to be of great importance to the future welfare of the State.

News Service

For better dissemination of agricultural news in the State, this Department supplies a semi-monthly News Service to the newspapers of the State, containing items relating to the activities and work of the College which may be of interest to the people of the State.

Free Use of Mails

In accordance with the regulations of the Postmaster-General, free use of the mails has been extended to the Department by the Smith-Lever Law.

Co-operative Extension Work

Co-operative Extension Work between the State and Nation was provided for by the Smith-Lever Act of May, 1914. The main provisions of this law are as follows: The sum of \$480,000 is appropriated for each year, \$10,000 of which shall be paid annually to each State which shall, by its Legislature, assent to the Act. There is also appropriated for the fiscal year \$600,000, following that in which the foregoing appropriation first becomes available, and for each year thereafter for seven years, a sum exceeding by \$500,000 the sum appropriated for each preceding year, and for each year thereafter there is permanently appropriated, for each year, the sum of \$4,100,000 in addition to the sum of \$480,000 before provided.

Such additional sums shall be allotted annually to each State in the proportion which the rural population of each State bears to the total rural population of all the States, as deter-

mined by the next preceding Federal census: Provided, that no payment out of the additional appropriations shall be made in any year to any State until an equal sum has been appropriated for that year by the Legislature of such State, or provided by State, County, College, local authority or individual contribution from within the State for the maintenance of the co-operative agricultural extension work provided for in the Act.

The State of Washington complied with the initial conditions regarding the appropriation of \$10,000 for each State, and is now receiving this amount for the work from the United States.

The amounts appropriated for Washington for succeeding years are as follows:

1915-16	1916-17	1917-18	1918-19	1919-20	1920-21	1921-22	1922-23
\$16,523	\$21,958	\$27,394	\$32,830	\$38,266	\$43,702	\$49,138	\$54,074

After 1920 census the amount will be subject to revision.

The present State Legislature should promptly meet the requirements for the biennium of 1915-17 by appropriating the \$18,481 needed for this work. These funds can only be used for the work prescribed by the Act. They are not available for many of the other lines of valuable Extension work mentioned in this report and heretofore carried on by the State College.

It would be a serious mistake to use the funds of the College regularly provided for general Extension work merely to offset the appropriation of Congress. The need of Extension work in Washington is very great, as shown by the insistent demands made upon the College. If the work is to go forward as it should, the Smith-Lever Act passed by Congress last May must be met by the required state legislation at this session.

Direct Aid From the United States Department of Agriculture

In addition to the support provided for in the Smith-Lever Act, direct aid from the U. S. Department of Agriculture has been secured through a Memorandum of Understanding agreed to by the President of the State College and the United States

Secretary of Agriculture, on September 12, 1914. This agreement requires the State College to organize and maintain a definite and distinct administrative department for the management and conduct of Extension work in agriculture and home economics, with a responsible Director selected by the College and satisfactory to the Department of Agriculture.

It is made the duty of the Extension Department of the College to administer all funds appropriated for such work by Congress, the State Legislature, by the Board of Regents, or from any other source. It is also agreed that the State College will co-operate with the United States Department of Agriculture in all Extension work in agriculture and home economics which said Department shall be authorized by Congress to conduct in this State.

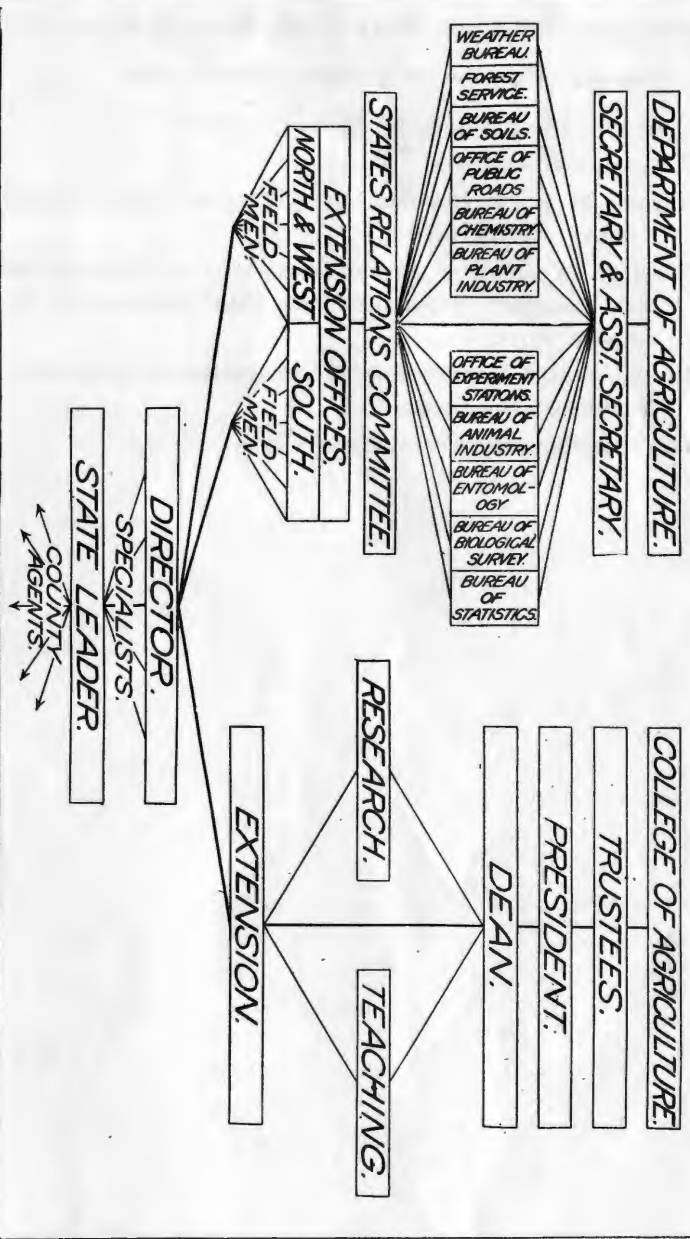
The agreement requires the United States Department of Agriculture to establish and maintain a States Relations Committee to represent the Department in the supervision of Extension work in the State and to represent the Department in the administration of all funds provided to the States under the Smith-Lever Act.

The Department of Agriculture also agrees to conduct in co-operation with the State College, all demonstrations and all other forms of Extension work in agriculture and home economics which the Department is authorized by Congress to conduct in this State.

In accordance with the terms of the above agreement, direct Congressional appropriations to the Department of Agriculture for Extension work in agriculture and home economics to the amount of about \$10,000 are now being administrated co-operatively by the Extension Department of the College and the States Relations Committee above mentioned. Several co-operative Extension workers are already at work in this State on projects jointly agreed to by the Extension Department and the Agriculturist representing the United States Department of Agriculture.

The organization of Extension work in the United States and in the State of Washington is shown by the following diagram and outline:

ORGANIZATION OF AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION WORK IN THE UNITED STATES.



Organization of Extension Work in the State of Washington

State College—Director of Extension Department.

a—College staff (assigned to Extension work).

b—Extension Specialists.

c—Bureau of Farm Development—Director, State Leader,
County Agriculturists.

d—Western Washington Experiment Station—Superintendent,
Assistant Superintendent, Staff assigned to Extension work.

e—United States Department of Agriculture—Co-operative
Extension Specialists.

f—State Leader—Boys' and Girls' Clubs.