AGRONOMIC ADVANCES IN THE AGRICULTURE OF THE CORN BELT AND THE GREAT PLAINS REGIONS

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The topic assigned to me presents several obvious problems, the chief of which is to cover the subject adequately within the allotted time without too many omissions of worthy contributions. Any failure to include important phases of work must be charged to the speaker in his inability to properly deal with this wealth of material within the short space of 30 minutes.

There has been one extremely outstanding development in the agronomic work of this region, of such vital importance, and with results so significant that it deserves special emphasis. The greatest single accomplishment of the past 25 years has been the evolution of a degree of cooperative research effort that has made this quarter of a century a period of unusual advancement. The close relationships between the United States Department of Agriculture and the various state experiment stations have unified the research toward common goals. Free exchange of ideas and materials is an established practice and is aiding greatly in promoting scientific agriculture.

Federal workers have aided in many phases of regional coordination. Generally, the United States De-
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