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### THE TINGO MARIA EXPERIMENT STATION

A SPECIAL correspondent in Lima, Peru, of *The New York Times* reports that Dr. Benjamin J. Birdsall, of the Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, has been appointed director of the agricultural experiment station at Tingo Maria. He arrived in Peru at the end of July. The United States, through the Department of Agriculture, in cooperation with the State Department is contributing financial and technical aid, while Peru is contributing land, buildings and other facilities.

The station at Tingo Maria is one of a series of agricultural experiment stations being established throughout the American tropics designed to assist and encourage the production on a large scale of rubber, quinine and other products formerly obtained from the Far East. As assistants, Dr. Birdsall has William Wickline, formerly in the U. S. Government service in entomology and plant quarantine work, and Rolland Lorenz, a rubber expert, formerly with the Firestone Company in Africa. In 1940 Dr. Lorenz was a member of one of the U. S. missions which made a survey of the rubber possibilities of tropical America. The American group at Tingo Maria works in direct cooperation with Pedro Recavarren, director of forest lands and colonization. Pedro Beltran is serving as government aide in the organization of the undertaking.

The experiment station at Tingo Maria, which is situated on the Huallaga River on the eastern slopes of the Andes, according to *The New York Times* correspondent, will consist of three main buildings and twenty residences all constructed of brick with enterite roofing. The principal building or "head house plant," as it is called, will comprise the main laboratories and greenhouses. In addition there will be an administration building with offices and library, and

a dormitory or club-house for single men. The cost will be in excess of \$160,000, and the building program is expected to take two years. A plant for fabricating the brick is now being completed at Tingo Maria. The grounds of the station cover five hectares, along the Central Highway of Peru, within the urban limits of the town of Tingo Maria. Additional land is being acquired for the experimental work.

### GIFTS RECEIVED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

At a recent meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin, it was announced that gifts had been received amounting to \$38,811.

The sum of \$5,500 was given by Lever Brothers Company, Mass., for the continuation of an industrial fellowship in biochemistry, under the supervision of Professor Harry Steenbock. A grant was made also by the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation for the support of the general research program of Professor Steenbock.

Federal aid amounting to \$4,720 was accepted for the Public Health Nursing program of study for the training of twenty-two public health nursing students.

In addition to a number of smaller gifts, \$1,000 was received from the State Rural High Schools Committee for a field study in rural community education by Clarence E. Ragsdale, associate professor of education; \$1,000 from the National Canners Association, Washington, D. C., an addition to the original grant of \$3,000 for an industrial fellowship in biochemistry; \$1,500 from General Mills, Inc., Minneapolis, for the continuation of an industrial fellowship in the department of biochemistry, under the supervision of Professor C. A. Elvehjem; \$1,200 from Eli Lilly and Company, Indianapolis, for the renewal of an industrial fellowship in the department of biochemistry, also under the supervision of Professor Elvehjem, and \$3,000 from the National Canners Association for the establishment of an industrial fellowship in the department of biochemistry under the supervision of Professor Elvehjem and Professor F. M. Strong; \$1,000 from the Oscar Mayer Company, Madison, for the establishment of an industrial fellowship in the department of animal husbandry under the supervision of Professor A. E. Darlow; for the support of scholarships of \$75 each for farm boys, \$750 was given by Oneida Farms, Inc., and \$300 by the Oscar Mayer Company.

Five hundred dollars was received from the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation, as an addition to the \$5,000 grant for an industrial fellowship in biochemistry, under the direction of Professor Karl Paul Link; and \$2,000 from the Upjohn Company, Kalamazoo, for the establishment of a research assistantship in the department of pharmacology and toxicology, under the supervision of Professor A. L. Tatum.