

limited. About 35 are held each year. Any section in which sufficient interest obtains can have provided for it an institute by making application to the director. The last legislature appropriated \$2,000 for the farmers' institutes. This is for one year. There is no State department of agriculture in South Dakota but there is a State board of agriculture, which has charge of the State fair.

TENNESSEE.

1891. There was no appropriation for the special purpose of organizing farmers' institutes, but the commissioner of agriculture had organized institutes in over one-half of the State. The work was done by the assistant commissioners in connection with their general work, and they were paid out of the general appropriation made for the department of agriculture.

1899. Institutes are held under the auspices of the experiment station, about \$500 of the station funds being set aside for the work. This work was begun in January, 1899. During the year 13 institutes were held under station auspices, with an estimated total attendance of 2,400. There is a department of agriculture in the State, which also holds institutes.

TEXAS.

1891. Annual appropriation for institutes in this year was \$500, to be used under the direction of the Agricultural and Mechanical College. It was expected that one institute would be held in each Congressional district.

1899. There is no system of State institutes in Texas. A number of institutes are held throughout the year, each independent of the other. No record is kept of the number, but there are probably not more than 15 every season. It is estimated that from 20 to 25 were held in 1899, with an average attendance of 35 to 45. The institutes are spontaneous in the localities where held. No money is available for institutes, strictly speaking. Experiment station officers often attend the institutes, their expenses being met by the station. There is a State department of agriculture in Texas, but for lack of appropriations it is able to do little.

UTAH.

1891. No appropriation.

1899. Utah institutes are held under the auspices of the Agricultural College. At least one institute per year must be held in each county of the State, which would require 26, but a greater number than this is usually held—about 36 in 1899. Besides the one in each county required by law, the institutes are usually held at places where the people apply for them. Fifteen hundred dollars is the permanent annual appropriation to meet the traveling expenses of those who take part in the institutes. The professors are expected to contribute the

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