

THE FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH

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Science Service reports that items in the agricultural appropriation bill, which were reduced below the Bureau of the Budget estimates for 1933 by the House Committee on Appropriations included many lines of scientific research, which had already felt the pruning knife of the agricultural chiefs and the bureau.

The Bureau of the Budget estimates had pared the \$235,664,694 agricultural supply act of 1932 down to \$186,243,405 -- a decrease of more than \$60,000,000. Much of this was concerned with decreased appropriations for road building and relief loans -- in fact almost all of it except about \$10,000,000 to be cut from regular departmental activities. Actual savings of more than three millions, to revert to the treasury, were planned in various agricultural bureaus.

The house appropriations committee cuts from budget estimates, amounting to an additional ten million dollars, were made all along the line, and touched the following scientific investigations:

Administration of agricultural experiment stations, \$13,646.  
(Bureau of the Budget had recommended increase).

General weather service and research in Weather Bureau, \$30,500.  
(Already cut \$71,482).

Aerology, \$26,900. (Already cut \$225,000.)

Animal Husbandry, \$20,505. (Already cut \$29,495.)

Diseases of animals, \$6,000. (Already cut \$31,050.)

Dairy investigations, \$9,900. (Already cut \$69,442.)

Barberry eradication, \$3,600. (Already cut \$177,140.)

Cereal crops and diseases, \$3,700. (Already cut \$19,575.)