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written by a member of the Animal Husbandry Staff and published by the Quebec Department of Agriculture, partly because it was believed that the College was not anxious to publish bulletins. In reference to absences of the staff, we

wish to explain that the work of the outside departments includes considerable field work, some of which has to be undertaken on short notice. At certain times of the year, usually between sessions, some of the men are in and out of the College repeatedly during the course of a month. The practice of the staff has been to arrange with Dr. Harrison for absences of any length of time but not for brief absences in connection with regular field work. No defiance of authority has been intended and no intimation of disapproval has been given by Dr. Harrison. Some time ago a notice was received from Dr. Harrison requesting that absences be reported. He was approached at the time by Prof. Barton with the object of finding out more definitely just what was expected in connection with routine work. Dr. Harrison explained to Prof. Barton that the notice was intended to refer ramer to absences of some length, and particularly to holidays, than for the regular work of the outside departments. Dr. Harrison himself has on various occasions been absent from the College for more than a month at a time without giving the staff any intimation that he was leaving and without leaving any one in charge in his place. If however, he had any objection to the practice which has prevailed in all the outside departments we have no hesitation in stating that had he made his objection known to us, arrangements would have been made to comply with his wishes.