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New England Agricultural Economics Council

Life Membership

The New England Agricultural Economics Council is privileged to announce the awarding of honorary life membership in the council to Ellsworth W. Bell, Extension Professor of Agricultural Economics at the University of Massachusetts. In making the award the council makes formal recognition of Professor Bell's forty years of continuous devoted service to New England agriculture.

The synopsis of his career manifests in encapsulated form the vicissitudes in the New England farm economy since the turn of the century, and his role as educator in that milieu. Consider, for example, the chaotic conditions in milk marketing during the thirties, the structural changes in the poultry industry, the encompassing policy problems of the past forty years, and observe his involvement. Note also the manner in which his professional commitments reflect the adjustment of public education in agriculture to the recent revolutionary changes in the industry itself.

Professor Bell's career has been unique in that he has made substantial contributions to public understanding of not one but several areas of knowledge. One of his abiding interests has been farm cooperatives, and his sober counsel in the formation and operations of cooperatives has contributed materially to their well-being. He was also directly involved in the initiation of the Food Distribution program in Extension. He has been a sage counselor to the various sectors of the poultry, dairy, and feed industries. In a specialized society he has become an authority in several fields.

Throughout his career he has been a strong advocate and articulate spokesman for the inception and continuance of regional professional consultation and coordination, beginning with the New England Research Council, and continuing, for life, we suggest, with the New England Agricultural Economics Council.

For the Executive Committee:

Thomas C. Morrison
Chairman