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FOREWORD.

The success attained in the first year of the publication of the Journal marks a healthy growth in the affairs of the association and it is believed that the continued publication of the Journal, of which this is the first number in the second year, will become of greater value in the cause of an improved poultry husbandry. The policy of the Association, which has been consistent since organization in 1908, will be continued, but it is hoped that concerted efforts will be made to insure more pronounced uniformity in all procedure pertaining to the development of the poultry industry. The desire will be not only to maintain the high standard of efficiency which has made the Association valued in the past, but at the same time standardize the results secured in the various fields of activity.

The majority of the members of the Association are interested directly or indirectly in research, investigational, experimental and educational problems, the great and final aim in the elucidation of which, when considered collectively, is to determine the relation of production to each and all the factors involved. For the highest advancement of our science it is desirable not only to employ satisfactory methods, but as far as possible to have different workers use the same methods so that their results will be strictly comparable. The advantages of this are very obvious. It is all too apparent that great discrepancies commonly occur in the various lines of poultry work and that, therefore, concurrence of results is not to be expected. On the other hand, it should not be difficult to compare poultry experiments,

owing to the large number of factors involved which can be controlled. Thus it should be possible to compare the results obtained by independent investigations, both as to accuracy of methods and conclusions. This means that methods are standardized and the policy of the Association should aim towards the standardization of the methods employed in the many branches of poultry activity in order that all results secured may be justly comparable.

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THE STORRS MEETING.

The annual convention of the American Association of Instructors and Investigators in Poultry Husbandry was held at the Connecticut Agricultural College, Storrs, Conn., on August 2d, 3d and 4th. The various members coming from many States and Provinces arrived in Storrs by auto from Willimantic on Monday afternoon. The convention was called to order on Monday evening with President Kirkpatrick in the chair. Due to the necessary absence of Dr. Beach, President of the Connecticut Agricultural College the formal address of welcome was postponed until Wednesday morning. President Kirkpatrick informally welcomed the members of the Association, after which the program was begun.

The program throughout the meetings was of great interest and value to the instructors and investigators attending the convention, there being a half dozen or more papers presented at each of the sessions. The majority of the papers this year dealt with the investigational end of poultry husbandry, but, however, several

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