

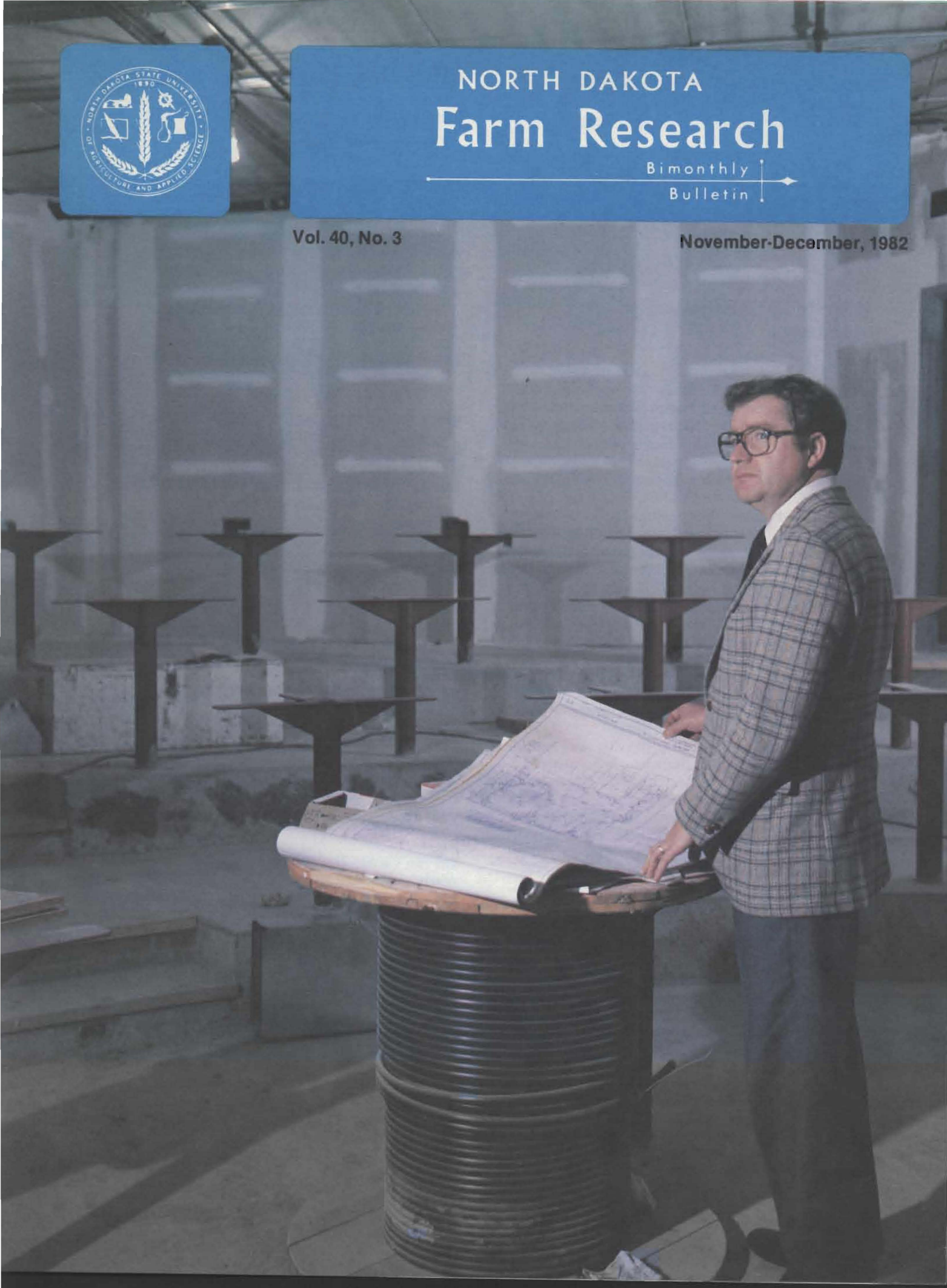


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North Dakota Farm Research is now in its 40th volume of publication. As I approach my own 40th birthday this month, I've cause to say "Happy 40th Birthday Farm Research."

Frank L. Eversull, former president of North Dakota Agricultural College, wrote the following statement as he commissioned the new publication known as the Bimonthly Bulletin. "As the sum total of human knowledge increases, as life becomes more complex, and as the struggle against the elements becomes more fierce, the consuming problem of education is to make the results of research readily accessible to those who can best profit by its findings." President Eversull went on to note that new experiments in government, new weather conditions, increasing hoards of insects and pests, the spread of fungi, marketing, food preparation and preservation, textiles, and fabrics, and clothing all presented a bewildering picture to the average citizen.

Those comments, prepared over 40 years ago, are still pertinent. We still face many challenges in control of insect and crop pests, marketing, and food preparation. This issue of the North Dakota Farm Research (which changed its name to Farm Research/Bimonthly Bulletin in March 1958), contains feature articles about agricultural research done at NDSU. It continues the trend established by President Eversull, "to help make you and to make life in your section more significant and happier". Almost 3500 articles have been printed in these 40 volumes over the years. They have been recently categorized into a subject matter index, covering the following main topics: economics and sociology; field crops; forages; garden crops and forages; soil and water; weeds; livestock; farm equipment and buildings; community problems and developments; family and living; and miscellaneous subjects. Additionally, all of the printed material in the 40 volumes has been reproduced on 4X6 microfiche cards, enabling you to have a library on your desk top! All of the articles appearing in Farm Research have been entered in a document base called AGRICOLA, available through the National Agricultural Library in Beltsville, Maryland.

Happy 40th Birthday North Dakota Farm Research!

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