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(Top left) Members of a 4-H club attend a workshop on tractor maintenance at Purdue. (Tippecanoe County, 1948)

(Top right) Students attending a Winter Short Course in agriculture inspect sheep at the Purdue University campus farm. (Tippecanoe County, 1942)

(Bottom) Winter Short Course student Robert Risch from Vincennes inspects sealed milk bottles at the creamery in Purdue’s Smith Hall. (Tippecanoe County, 1944)
Members of the Indiana Bankers Association make an annual trip to Purdue to learn more about livestock. (Tippecanoe County, 1926)

Farmers attend an event led by John Schwab, a Purdue Extension swine expert, to discuss Spotted Poland China hogs on the Cecil Sweigart farm near Cowan. (Delaware County, 1938)

Automobiles parked on the Purdue campus farm during a Swine Day program. (Tippecanoe County, 1927)
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(Top left) Approximately 250 farmers attend the fourth annual show of the Hoosier Gold Medal Colt Club at Purdue University’s Herbert Davis Forestry Farm in Farmland. (Randolph County, 1930)

(Top right) A small group examines wheat variety plots at Purdue’s Moses-Fell Annex in Bedford during an annual picnic. (Lawrence County, 1934)

(Bottom) Farmers listen to a discussion of pasture crops at the Miller-Purdue Experimental Farm in Upland. (Grant County, 1945)
Poultry producers catch up on the latest in poultry science at Purdue’s Moses-Fell Annex in Bedford. (Lawrence County, 1934)

At a Farmers’ Short Course in Kentland, LeRoy “Chick” Jones, a poultry Extension specialist at Purdue, discusses how to market eggs for the greatest profit. (Newton County, 1925)

Planting corn with minimum tillage during a field day at the Purdue Herbert Davis Forestry Farm in Farmland (Randolph County, 1966)
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Approximately 200 farmers attend the five-horse-hitch plowing demonstration, a popular event at Purdue’s Herbert Davis Forestry Farm in Farmland, Randolph County, 1930.

A very large crowd listens as Bill Rothenberger tells how he arranged his cattle and hog feeding equipment during the Farm Management Tour on the George Rothenberger and Sons Farm near Frankfort, Clinton County, 1946.
Women attend a regular training meeting of the Helt Township Ladies Sewing Class. (Vermillion County, 1924)

Purdue instructors teach women how to make hats at a millinery school in Crawfordsville. (Montgomery County, 1922)
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A home economics demonstration group meeting at Purdue's Moses-Fell Annex in Bedford (Lawrence County, 1934)

A cooking demonstration at Oxford (Benton County, 1916)
Students learn how to use shop tools at Montmorenci High School. (Tippecanoe County, 1939)

A vocational agriculture class from Battle Ground inspects the layout of a hog operation. (Tippecanoe County, 1939)
The Purdue Agricultural Extension Service operated this fresh fruit and vegetable marketing trailer, which included a produce display. (Tippecanoe County, 1949)

The Better Dairy Sire Special education train from Purdue Extension stops at Lexington, where Jersey calves entered in the Boys’ and Girls’ Calf Club show draw the interest of the crowd. (Scott County, 1927)
An Indianapolis and Cincinnati Traction Company interurban car becomes an electricity exhibit developed by the Purdue University Agricultural Experiment Station in cooperation with electric light and power companies. (Tippecanoe County, 1927)

(Above and below) The interior of the electricity exhibit featured all kinds of labor-saving electrical equipment for the farm and home. For eight weeks, it ran on nearly all of Indiana's electric lines, making short stops in almost every part of the state. (Tippecanoe County, 1927)
During a stop in Portland, farmers examine a stubble beater on the Purdue Agricultural Extension Service Corn Borer Exhibit Train, which ran on the Pennsylvania Railroad. Purdue staff on board taught farmers just outside the corn borer area how to retard or eliminate this approaching pest. (Jay County, 1927)

Purdue University specialists test the soil farmers brought to the Limestone Special education train at a stop near Union Center. Each farmer who visited the train received enough free lime to improve the pH of one acre of soil on their farms. (LaPorte County, 1925)

Inside the lecture car on the corn borer train, speakers used lantern slides and moving pictures to show farmers what they needed to do to protect their corn crop. (Jay County, 1927)
Exhibits on the Soybean Special education train focused on how to grow, care for, and harvest soybeans. The University of Illinois, Ohio State University, and Purdue University helped sponsor the train, which ran on Baltimore and Ohio Railroad lines. (Wood County, Oh; 1941)
Aboard the Soybean Special, Anita Beadle Vogler (standing at left), former nutrition specialist at Purdue University, presents a cooking demonstration as Mary Mowry (standing at right) assists her. (Wood County, OH; 1941)

Mary Mowry, a 4-H Club member, stands beside the exhibit of soybean food products on the Soybean Special education train. (Wood County, OH; 1941)

The staff of the Soybean Special poses for a photo in Bowling Green, Ohio. (Wood County, OH; 1941)

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