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The Ohio Agricultural Council

**A message from
GOVERNOR GILLIGAN**

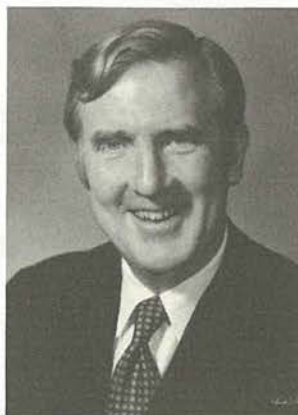
Throughout the years Ohioians have been the innovators in agriculture. It is not surprising that agriculture is Ohio's largest industry.

The four men being inducted into the Agricultural Hall of Fame today by the Ohio Agricultural Council richly deserve the honor. Because of their dedication, skill and constant hard work in their field of endeavor, we salute these men today.

On behalf of our state, I congratulate these men and their families.

Let's hear it for Ohio.

John J. Gilligan, Governor
STATE OF OHIO



GOVERNOR GILLIGAN



DIRECTOR
ABERCROMBIE

**... from the OHIO
DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE**

We gratefully acknowledge the dedication, sacrifice, and outstanding work for Ohio's agriculture industry of the four men we honor today. With every living fiber these men labored constantly for the betterment of all Ohioans.

Those things which they have created are with us today and will be with us for many years.

I offer my congratulations to the recipients and their families for the contributions made by these men.

I am the first to say, Thank YOU.

Gene R. Abercrombie, Director
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE



JOHN A. ROOT

**... and from the PRESIDENT OF
OHIO AGRICULTURAL COUNCIL**

America's farmers are the most productive and efficient food and fiber producers in the world. Ohioans have made many outstanding contributions to America's agricultural might. Today we honor the distinguished contributions of these Agricultural Hall of Fame recipients whose efforts and dedication have been directed toward the health and well-being of their fellow-man. The Ohio Agricultural Council takes great pride in honoring the accomplishments of these great Americans.

John A. Root

OFFICIAL PROGRAM

- PRESIDING John A. Root
President, Ohio Agricultural Council
- INVOCATION Lee F. Kohler
4-H Representative, Junior Fair Board
- BREAKFAST All-Ohio Menu
- ALL-OHIO YOUTH CHOIR Glenville Thomas
Conductor
- DEDICATION and RECOGNITION Hon. John J. Gilligan
Governor of Ohio
- ENSHRINING 1973 PORTRAITS and
PLAQUE AWARDS Hon. Gene R. Abercrombie
Ohio Director of Agriculture

Dr. Roy M. Kottman
Dean, College of Agriculture, O.S.U.
- ACCEPTANCE OF 1973 HALL
OF FAME PORTRAITS Richard E. Troup
Chairman, Ohio Expositions Commission
- SOCIAL HOUR A time for visiting with friends

MUSIC

LE SWARTZ
Le's Harmony House
WEST LIBERTY, OHIO
and
THE OHIO YOUTH CHOIR

Wilbur H. Bruner



For 46 years he has served Ohio Agriculture as an educator. He is internationally known as the pioneer of pork improvement. He developed the Ohio Pork Improvement Program and served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Pork Improvement Association of Ohio (1954-1969). In 1946 he established the first county swine testing station (Preble) and later supervised the first state swine evaluation station in the nation at Ohio State University (1954-1969). Through the cooperation and support of purebred and commercial pork producers, marketing agencies, and meat processors, he demonstrated and documented the importance of performance records in selecting breeding stock to efficiently produce high quality lean pork. He has received citations and awards from the Pork Improvement Association of Ohio, American Society of Animal Science, National Hog Farmer, The National Pork Producers Council, Landmark Incorporated and one Saddle and Sirloln Club, Ohio State University.

Max M. Scarff



Fifty-eight years as a prominent farmer, Clark County, he pioneered in production of certified grains, soybeans and hybrid corn. He has been a leader in support and promotion of the Ohio Farm Bureau and in the Ohio and National Seed Industry. He received the Ohio "Master Farmer" award in 1937 and the "Firestone Master Farmer" award in 1943. During his lifetime he has been past president of the American Seed Trade Association, Ohio Hybrid Seed Corn Producers, Ohio Foundation Seeds, The Ohio Seed Improvement Association and The Ohio Seed Dealers Association. He has received national recognition as a 29 year member of the Board of Directors of Nationwide Insurance and the Nationwide Corporation. He served for 25 years as a member of the New Carlisle Bethel School Board. November 15th, 1972, he received the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation distinguished service award.

Lewis F. Warbington



Fifty-five years of dedicated service to Ohio Agriculture and the world for the betterment of both rural and urban people. Major contribution in this area was the organization of Ohio's Farm Bureau Advisory Councils. He organized Shelby County in the worldwide humanitarian project through "Neighbors in Action" providing food to starving West Germans. He was awarded a silver trophy by the West German government for aid given German people after World War II through "Neighbors in Action." He was presented with a silver plaque for 50 years of distinguished service to Ohio Agriculture by the Ohio Farm Bureau in 1966.

Carlos Grant Williams



Appointed an Agronomist in 1903, Dr. Williams served as Chief of the Agronomy Department of the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station from 1906 until he became Director in 1921. During his years of research, he originated three new varieties of wheat. In 1922, Director Williams organized the Experiment Station into ten departments, including agronomy, animal industry, botany, chemistry, dairying, entomology, farm management, forestry, horticulture and soils. His career as Director was marked by significant growth in land and facilities by increased cooperation with the College of Agriculture and with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. After his retirement, the Board of Control named the Agronomy Building "Williams Hall" in his honor. He was a member of the American Society of Agronomy and served as President in 1925-1926.

THE OHIO AGRICULTURAL HALL OF FAME

1973 COMMITTEE

James Ross, *Chairman*

Gene R. Abercrombie

George Robey

Walter Herd

William H. O'Neill

Earl McMunn

Enshrinement in the Ohio Agricultural Hall of Fame is Ohio's highest recognition of an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the agricultural industry. Each year two living and two deceased persons are honored from both the farmer-breeder and agriculture-related categories.

New nominations can be submitted by anyone to the Ohio Agricultural Council for consideration by the Hall of Fame's panel of judges.



Flowers for the Breakfast Provided by Ohio Florists' Association

Previously Enshrined . . .

1966:

Leo L. Rummell—educator and farm writer
Glen H. Stringfield—plant breeder
Louis J. Taber—farm organization leader

1967:

Carl R. Arnold—economist and finance expert
David W. Galehouse—seed producer,
conservationist and educator
Harry C. Ramsower—agriculture educator

1968:

L. P. Bailey—breeder of Jersey cattle
Oscar E. Bradfute—farmer, cooperative leader
John T. Brown—farmer and lawmaker
Howard M. Call—farmer and community builder
C. M. Ferguson—educator and administrator
A. B. Graham—founder of the 4-H Clubs
Perry L. Green—lawmaker and co-op leader
Henry P. Miller—writer and master farmer
Amos I. Root—Evangelist of modern beekeeping
A. P. Sandles—booster of Ohio fairs
Charles E. Thorne—writer and soil scientist
Norton S. Townshend—educator and legislator
Allen Trimble—Governor and livestock breeder
Joseph E. Wing—writer and alfalfa pioneer

1969:

Harold Anderson—founder of grain business
Uri T. Cox—farmer and plant propagator
Leon M. Evans—farmer and banker
Lawrence A. Kauffman—teacher and sheep specialist
Forrest G. Ketner—co-op leader and marketing specialist
Edward H. Knight—farmer and mechanical inventor
Murray D. Lincoln—co-op founder and agriculture leader
Glen G. McIlroy—farmer and farm manager
Joseph Oppenheim—teacher and inventor
Virgil Overhold—teacher and drainage specialist
Charles Plumb—educator and administrator
Martin L. Ruetenik—vegetable specialist and innovator
Arthur L. Smith—vegetable grower and industry leader
Howard J. Ziegler—farmer and livestock breeder

1970:

Cosmas D. Blubaugh—soil and water conservationist
Edmund Secrest—educator and forester
John A. Slipher—educator and soil conservationist
Samuel S. Studebaker—farmer and farm credit leader

1971:

Bryce C. Browning—
conservationist and educator
Benjamin Basil Brumley—
farmer and co-op leader
George L. Cooley—co-op leader
and grape grower
Wheeler J. Welday—fruit grower
and industry leader

1972:

Charles A. Dambach—educator
and conservationist
LeRoy Albert Demorest—
Inventor and Beef cattle
breeder
F. Edward Seitz—Vegetable
grower and industry leader
Charles Julius Willard—educator
and agronomy industry leader

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Ohio State Horticulture Society
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Ohio Veterinary Medical Association
Ohio Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association
Ohio Wool Growers Cooperative Association
Ohio Young Farmers
Pork Improvement Association of Ohio
Processed Limestone Association
Producers Livestock Association
The Ohio Farmer

INDIVIDUALS

Gene Abercrombie
Morris Allton
Wilbur Bruner
James E. Dougan
Joe Fichter
Dwight Harris
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Chester Hutchison
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