Maryland State College-Division of the University of Maryland

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The Maryland State College, Division of the University of Maryland (formerly Princess Anne College), is the Land-Grant college of Maryland for Negroes. It offers courses leading to a bachelor's degree in agriculture, home economics, industrial and mechanic arts, and the liberal arts and sciences.

AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

The Agricultural Experiment Station was established in 1888. It is an enterprise of the State supported in part by extensive Federal grants. In the laboratories at College Park where the work centers, the Experiment Station studies insects and diseases, soil fertility, and botanical and other problems. Its experimental farm near Upper Marlboro is given over to the problems of tobacco growing and curing. Near Ellicott City the Station runs a farm devoted to livestock and forage problems, and at a farm near Salisbury it conducts research in the problems of broiler producers and vegetable growers (Code 1957, Art. 66C, secs. 58-60).

EXTENSION SERVICE

The Extension Service was established by Federal and State laws in 1914, and it is supported by Federal, State, and county funds. It is represented in each county of the State by a County Agricultural Agent and a Home Demonstration Agent. Bringing scientific and economic agricultural information to rural people, assisting in promoting better marketing conditions, cooperating with rural groups and associations are all a part of the work of the Extension Service. In addition, it works with rural boys and girls through the 4-H Clubs. It also conducts short courses in various fields (Code 1957, Art. 66C, secs. 56-57).

STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE

The Board of Regents of the University of Maryland acts as the State Board of Agriculture. As such, it administers the laws of the State relating to agricultural service and control programs. Important phases of the agricultural programs include animal disease control; plant pest control; marketing activities; inspection service for feed, fertilizer, pesticides, dairies, and seed; and soil conservation and drainage (Code 1957, Art. 66C, secs. 46-60).

Live Stock Sanitary Service

The Live Stock Sanitary Service endeavors to keep animal and poultry diseases from entering the State and to control and eradicate such diseases within the State. In cooperation with the State Department of Health, it endeavors to suppress disease of animals or poultry which affect the public health. Facilities for the diagnosis of diseases are located at the main laboratory at College Park and at branch laboratories in Salisbury, Centreville, Bel Air, Frederick, Hagerstown and Oakland (Code 1957, Art. 66C, secs. 412-70).