

Samuel J. Weese



Samuel J. Weese was born at Morgantown, West Virginia, in Monongalia County, on February 26, 1906. His father was killed when he was 10 years old; so he was raised by his grandmother on a small farm. The money he earned in farming ultimately led to a college education.

Mr. Weese's first professional job (1930) was as plant manager for a dairy in Weirton, West Virginia. After a year he began teaching vocational agriculture in Putnam County from which he moved to Blacksville in 1939, again as a vocational teacher. In 1945, he began his long career in dairying at West Virginia University. In this position, he had responsibility for the University creamery, the College of Agriculture's Products Judging Teams, and for general teaching.

His judging teams, over a span of 20 years, won numerous trophies in regional and national competition.

Mr. Weese was Secretary-Treasurer of the West Virginia Dairy Products Association from 1948 to 1971 and served a term as President of the West Virginia Vocational Agriculture Teacher's Association.

In 1970-71, Mr. Weese was selected as Teacher of the Year by the students in the West Virginia University College of Agriculture and Forestry.