



ELIZABETH F. MURPHY

It is our pleasure to present to you the name and distinguished record of Elizabeth F. Murphy as an Honorary Life Member of The Potato Association of America.

Miss Murphy graduated from the University of Maine in 1930 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Zoology. In 1934 she received her Master's degree in Physiology from the same University. Further graduate study at the University of Pittsburg as a special student in Biochemistry during 1937 was followed by additional training at Columbia University in Chemistry of Food and Nutrition.

Miss Murphy was appointed to the professional staff of the Division of Biology, University of Maine in July 1930. In 1959 she was promoted to Associate Professor and in 1967 to Professor of Horticulture. The following year she was given the additional title of Professor of Food Science.

During her distinguished professional career at the University of Maine, Miss Murphy has been senior author of 28 publications and co-author of an additional 23.

A close look at the publication addendum show 19 publications directly associated with potato quality including research on nutritive value, flavor, and mealiness. Miss Murphy has a world-wide reputation for her many studies in methodology for sensory evaluation of potato quality factors. She has also been a close confidant to her co-workers in other phases of potato quality.

Even though Professor Murphy retired from the University of Maine as of July 1974, her publication record will certainly continue. She has much research data pertaining to potato chips and french fries, mealiness, and potato storage effects on potato quality yet to publish.

In addition to potato sensory evaluation data, she will also publish papers on other foods including fruits, poultry, and many good sea food items from Maine coastal waters.

Miss Murphy holds membership in: The Potato Association of America, the American Society of Horticultural Science, The Society of Sigma Xi, and the Institute of Food Technologists where she served as a member of the Sensory Evaluation Committee for 3 years.

In addition, Elizabeth has been a member of the American Association of University Professors, and served as Secretary of the Maine Chapter for 2 years. As a long time member of Phi Beta Kappa, she served as Vice-President from 1971-73 and President 1973-74.

Miss Murphy has also served on numerous local and University Committees including:

University Music Committee — 1969-71

Honors Banquet Committee — 1962-73

College Advisory Committee (Chairman and Secretary)

Graduate Faculty — 1966 to date

Plant and Soil Sciences Graduate Committee (Chairman - 1967-69)

Council of Colleges — 1972-73

Honors Course Faculty — 1971-72

Board Member of Family and Child Services for City of Bangor
— 1966-68

Downeast Section of Institute of Food Technologists

Secretary-Treasurer — 1967-1972

Executive Committee — 1973 to date

Miss Elizabeth F. Murphy and her record as a potato research worker in the very technical fields of nutrition, quality, and sensory evaluation technology certainly deserve the respect of her co-workers and the potato and food industries which she has so diligently served.

It is indeed a privilege and honor to present Elizabeth F. Murphy to The Potato Association of America for Honorary Life Membership.

Hugh J. Murphy

Ruth H. True