

I Importance of maize in U.S. 1, 2, 3. 1964

II Where products come from - kernels, Parts - slides  
Plant structure - tassel, ear, nodes - branches.

III Importance of maize in the Americas.

where grown - when.  
Propagation - selection - from what.  
Recent - causes. Mexico - origin. Transport.  
Origin - projection Teocinte (Teo - Cintle)  
Why - plant, chromosomes, synapsis. c.o.  
give order. Knob locations.

IV. To other countries -- Tribes  
Guatemala, Central Am., Northern S. Am.

Andes -  
origin & Races -- Tribes. Selection (so Brazil)  
Polyorphism - laws. slide 3. Plant breeding

Extent of polyorphism -

E25s use in tracing origin & migration - M. product.  
Knob - monograph. Dec 1981 From Rec 1938

V. Mendel 1865 to 1900 changes & results

1. By 1900 - what known - projections.
2. Maize plant breeders -- so much material
3. Doubtful in general - skeptical. + H. Morgan 1910

to 1925 - students, Wilson, Drosophila

VI My association 1921. 1923 1927. Pl. breeding  
Botany -  
1. 1922-1924 - grad. students. D. B. Pettingill.  
2. Their accomplishments - 1927-1935.  
" golden age of genetics at Cornell."  
L. D.

4. Drosophila salivariensis - 1935 Bricker

C.S.H. Influence of corn. Significance of maize - 6

- I. In 2.25 + U.S. Economy = most important part - why?
1. Food - animal - hog - cattle - poultry -
  2. " Humans - Confections - Popcorn; Corn in - Cobs - canned corn, cornbread, hominy grits, corn flakes, corn starch, corn oil, corn syrup, corn liquor, corn-nuts.
  3. Commercial - processed - not corn = flour; flour place on candies, sweetners - caramel, pastries, paper products, pharmaceuticals, etc. Corn cob pipes.

## II Where products come from - mainly kernel -

1. Kernel parts: Pericarp; Embryo - germarium, endosperm, aleurone layer. Cut kernel; Skin, 1/2 Kernels, Var P.
2. Structure of plant.
  - (1) grass - parts - Reed. Nodes. maize or w<sup>g</sup> 200
  - (2) early stage - nodes - potential branches, terminal branch
  - (3) Tillers vs commercial maize - why different?

## III Importance of maize in Americas.

1. Where grown -- Indian tribes -- only grain in America.  
(no wheat, barley, rye, rice, sorghum, millet).
2. Intra America - Basic foods - corn - beans - squash  
So. Am. = maize, more cultivated - cassava.
3. Maize - can't propagate, self - Maize propagated - why?
4. Where did maize originate? So. W. Americinity.  
From what source?
5. Native plant - Mexico + Central Amer - like maize  
except ears - why self propagating - Pots  
Tillers + maize native name Tep. Cuitl. god - maize mixed  
conditions. Sodas.
6. Caves - Mexico - 5000 yrs ago - long - succ. ears.
7. To Guatemala - Central Amer. Nodular S. Amer.  
introduced into Andes (2000 yrs ago). Spread -
8. Plant breeding - Indian tribes - selection. Purples -  
Pops, flavor, taste, pigmented - food color, etc.
9. Consequences - Highly poly morphic - ears - Shade 3.  
outbreeding pop. miniaturization.

- iv) Polymorphism - all parts - Gregorius manganes (2)  
 inversions, deletions - rampant at 1917 & 1924. Post  
 mitochondrial DNA -- Knob's studies 1955
- v). Crossing between + migration of maize races -  
 Knob, Mayr, Dittler, polyorphism, mitochondrial  
 cytoplasmic inheritance. Knob + Tamm - start  
 monograph - Dec 1951.

#### IV Contribution of maize to genetic knowledge.

- A. Early - 1865 - Mendel - Dom. Rec. No recessive  
1865 - 1900 <sup>60</sup> Aniline dyes vs. common laboratory glass.  
 Rose purple - shell  
 staining - pre-existence - parts of cells  
 Fixing for microscopic examination.  
 Selection - embedding - slicing.  
 Theory of microscopic image - 1883 <sup>1883</sup> 2010
- By 1900:  
 chromosomes, (1) mitosis - meiosis w/ genes  
 (modern) (2) Cytogenetics  
 (3) Chromosomes

Projections: onto chromosomes; replication,  
 Meiosis - synapsis + C.R. (chromatids)  
 Development - of genetic information -  
 fertilization

- B. Sympatricism - Biologists - science into 1920.
- 1. T.H. Morgan - early - Drosophila; grad. students  
 Mayr early <sup>1910 - 1915</sup> Book on mendelian inheritance  
 why.
  - 2. 1921 - Cornell - genetics course - Plant breeding - maize  
 graduate course - Cytology, Botany, Ultrastructure  
 Ph.D. - maize, 1922
  - 3. 1927 - 1935, Cornell - "Golden Days of Genetics - Cornell"
  - 4. Graduate students - Reciprocal cross + uniformity  
 Fertilization.
- 1927 - 1935 - Cornell -  
 Cytogenetics -- advanced rapidly. Dr. D. Salter 1935

3) Maze + 1929-1931 Early. No DIP

1. 10 linkage groups - our group - due to linkage group.
2. where interchanges occurred between 2 chrs.
3. physical proof of genetic crossing over.
4. First instance of recognition of cytoplasmic or sterility.
5. mutants affecting spindle-pole orientation + poly mitosis at meiosis - micro nuclei.
6. chromosome breaks - fusions -- "sticky chromosomes".
7. X-ray modification of chrs. inversion, translocation, deficiencies. Runs chromosomes between replication - semi-conservative - sister strand exchange - Double-sized 4 np. anaphase - mechanism of capture - Telophasis: fusion of telos.
8. Chromosomal component responsible for joining a nucleolus.
9. Repeated components in parts of chrs: knobs (satellite), Centromeres, nucleolus organizers.
10. Peculiar aspect of meiotic synapsis = non random association. Synaptonemal complex - zipper.

Shortly later - 1937-1942.

1. single bivalency (double strand break) of ruptured chrs.  
Healthy: new telomere = Reposition to 17B - analog  
G.f.b. cycle = no breaking - endoform.
2. fusion of broken ends - basic -  $\sigma \times \varphi = \text{fusion}$ . 1941  
Genetic behavior
3. genome shock - Transposable elements 1944-45  
Regulation of gene action - 1944-45. [no DIP]  
recessive