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Known throughout the world for her research in the field of experimental cookery, Belle Lowe is honored at Iowa State for her twenty-five years of service.

Professor Belle Lowe, of the Foods and Nutrition Department, was recently honored at a dinner commemorating her twenty-fifth year of service to Iowa State.

Miss Lowe’s invaluable research in the field of experimental cookery has extended beyond the bounds of the college to receive national recognition. Her book, “Experimental Cookery,” stands alone in its field. It is used as a textbook in 47 colleges and universities. Miss Lowe has compiled a dietetic file and contributed articles to various national foods publications.

Students and faculty alike respect her important contributions in food research. She has been described as “An untiring worker in the laboratory. Her students approach her with awe and leave with admiration for her, and self-confidence in themselves.”

In addition to her own research program, Miss Lowe has found time to cooperate with the Animal Husbandry Department, Horticulture Department and Poultry Department in working on problems in meat, lard, poultry, eggs, soybeans and frozen vegetables and fruit.

Miss Lowe began her college education at the Kirksville State Normal College, Kirksville, Missouri, where she received her state teachers’ certificate. After teaching manual training, sewing and cooking in the schools of Chillicothe, Missouri, she attended the University of Chicago, where she received a bachelor of philosophy degree in 1918 and a master of science degree in 1934.

She is chairman of the committee for awarding of research funds of the National Poultry and Egg Board and of the cooking committee of the cooperative meat investigations being carried on under the direction of the state experiment stations and the United States Department of Agriculture.

Miss Lowe was a member of the research staff of the office of home economics of the United States Department of Agriculture during 1923 and 1924.

Omicron Nu, honorary home economics fraternity, Iota Sigma Pi, women’s chemistry honorory, Sigma Delta Epsilon, scientific honorory for women, and Phi Kappa Phi, scholastic honorory, claim Miss Lowe as a member.

The appreciation of her students and co-workers was expressed in the dedication in the anniversary dinner programs.

“To Professor Belle Lowe, pioneer teacher in the field of foods and author of Experimental Cookery; loyal friend of students, faculty and homemakers of Iowa, whose many problems she has attacked with zeal; tireless cooperator with investigators in related fields; stimulating example of the contribution such hobbies as swimming, photography, picnics and hikes make to wholesome living, we dedicate this evening.”