In 1910, Japan gave the US a large number of cherry trees. Because the trees were infected with an exotic disease, they had to be destroyed.
Diseased cherry trees helped initiate 1912 Plant Quarantine Act.

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In 1910, Bureau Plant Industry establishes 1st Plant Quarantine Facility, Yarrow Plant Introduction and Detention Garden, at Rockville, MD
1910 Yarrow Plant Introduction and Detention Garden
Yarrow Plant Introduction & Detention Garden now
Montgomery College
In 1919, looses lease on Yarrow Facility & moves to US Horticulture Station in Glenn Dale, MD
1913
Glenn Dale, MD
Public picking of flowers forces van Fleet to move research program to his home in 1913.
Government's Maryland Station Creates New Roses for America


The Rambler Tells of Introduction of District Emancipation Bill
1913 U.S. Horticultural Field Station
In 1930, most USDA employees directly involved in research.
BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY

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SERVICE
- BLISTER RUST CONTROL
- BARBERRY ERADICATION
- CITRUS CANKER ERADICATION

RESEARCH
- HORTICULTURAL CROPS AND DISEASES
- CEREAL CROPS AND DISEASES
- FOREIGN PLANT INTRODUCTION
- BOTANY
- FORAGE CROPS AND DISEASES
- SUGAR PLANTS
- BIOPHYSICAL LABORATORY
- DRUG AND RELATED PLANTS
- WASHINGTON EXPERIMENT STATION

REGULATORY
- FEDERAL SEED ACT
- TOBACCO AND PLANT NUTRITION
- DRY LAND AGRICULTURE
- EGYPTIAN COTTON BREEDING
- WESTERN IRRIGATION AGRICULTURE
- FIBER PLANTS
- SEED LABORATORY
- MYCOLOGY AND DISEASE SURVEY

FIELD SERVICE
About 1,000 field employees, 50 field stations, 4 temporary field laboratories and experiments, and cooperative laboratories and experiments.
Depression

USDA expands & creates new support programs
1933  Agricultural Adjustment Act

1935  Soil Conservation Service
      Federal Surplus Commodities Corp.

1937  Farm Security Adm.

1938  Federal Crop Insurance Corp.
      Agricultural Adjustment Act

1939  Rural Electrification Adm.
      Farm Credit Adm.
      Commodity Credit Corp.
Increase in support programs mean:

• larger budget
• more employees
• need for more space
In 1936, construction of the “South” Building for office space begins.
When completed in 1945, South Building is largest office Building in US.
In 1935, the Bankhead-Jones Congressional Act passes and adds $20 million to the research budget. 40% of the funds are for basic research, and 60% are distributed to rural communities.
The Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to establish, equip, and maintain four regional research laboratories, one in each major farm producing area, and at such laboratories to conduct researches into and to develop new scientific chemical and technical uses and new and extended markets and outlets for farm commodities and products and byproducts thereof.
Four regional research laboratories located in:
Peoria, IL
Albany, CA
Wyndmoor, PA
New Orleans, LA