

Living Quarters Entrance



FIG. 1.—Fairport Biological Station. Southwest portion of grounds, with principal buildings. Mississippi River in background. From left to right, temporary laboratory, boat-house, concrete ponds of series C, storage reservoir in foreground, lark house, and main laboratory.



The main entrance to the living quarters was located on a small rise along the highway, halfway between the eastern and western boundaries of the biological station. The entrance provided a panoramic view of the station. The top photograph, taken by Dr. Robert Coker in 1914, shows the main reservoir (foreground), with the permanent laboratory (far right), the temporary laboratory (far left), and other buildings. The lower photograph, taken in 1940s, shows the second laboratory built after first laboratory burned in December 1917, other buildings, and the pumphouse (chimney) in the far left. A similar view today indicates the reservoir and grounds remain essentially unchanged, but all the original buildings have been razed (except for the barn). Most extant buildings were constructed in the early 1950s.



Fairport laboratory staff on the porch of the Temporary Lab, 1914. It was used until the main lab building was finished.

