1962 - Dr. Orion Ulrey on Crop-Marketing Tour of college farms with students at Ranchi Agricultural College, Ranchi, Bihar, India in Winter 1962. Ulrey served as social scientist-educator-consultant during 1958-62 with the University of Missouri team in Eastern India, under a US/TCM(AID) contract. Ulrey was discussing the potential of soybeans in the area, drawing upon development in the U.S. and personal experiences with the crop beginning in 1917.
The man seated at left is Orion Ulrey, an IL ‘21 FarmHouse initiate. After receiving his terminal degree Dr. Ulrey was hired as an Agricultural Economics professor at Michigan State College. He formed a FarmHouse interest group in the Spring of 1932. They met at the Hunt Food Shop. By 1933 the club was granted local fraternity status by MSC. After a campus visit by D. Howard Doane, FarmHouse officials decided that the MSC FarmHouse club wasn’t yet ready to charter, but the national office did grant them club status. They rented a house at 323 E. Grand River Ave. By 1936 they were ready and received the Michigan State Chapter of FarmHouse Fraternity received its charter on April 25. [Photo source: 1939 MSU FarmHouse composite, 1939 Wolverine]

Dr. Ulrey was an innovator. In addition to MSU FarmHouse, he founded the Ulrey House Co-op, and the Michigan State University Credit Union (above). Professor Ulrey died on February 29, 1992. [Source: MSU website]