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## **FACES AT PERC**

At the upper left, Linda Keil is working on temperature effects on Alstroemeria. Linda is an outstanding student sent to us by one of our former undergraduates, Terry Gilbertson-Ferris, at the University of Wisconsin, River Falls. During her days at CSU, Terry was partially supported by a scientist award from CGGA, and now teaches floriculture. Linda is our second such student from River Falls to earn an M.S. degree at CSU. Frank Coker (upper right) is conducting his thesis on roses in the heat houses, coming from Texas. Frank has shown himself to be one of our hardest workers at Lake Street. With him, on the same crop and in the same houses, is Crecencio Elenes-Fonseca — "Chenco" to all and sundry — . Chenco is supported by the Mexican government on the M.S. degree, and funds for the work of these two have been supplied by CGGA, Roses, Inc., and the Gloeckner Foundation. Last, but not least (lower right), is the third Lehman (Dan) to obtain a B.S. degree in Horticulture at CSU. Maybe that says something about the program. Dan is hourly labor at PERC, working mostly with roses and such other things as Hanan may find for him to do. With the reduced student numbers in agriculture the last few years, students of the caliber photographed here are hard to come by. We are pleased to have them. CGGA's support of the research program allows us to find them and encourage them to make a career in the field.

### FORT COLLINS GREENHOUSE CLIMATOLOGICAL SUMMARY FOR FIVE WEEKS, BEGINNING APRIL 27, 1986

	Week beginning										
	April 27		Ma	May 4		May 11		May 18 <sup>1</sup>		May 25	
	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	
Average outside temperature (°F)	61	50	59	48	58	49	56	50	62	51	
Maximum outside temperature (°F)	81	68	87	64	79	70	82	60	79	61	
Minimum outside temperature (°F)	44	35	40	37	32	39	48	40	49	43	
Degree-days of heating	14	53	21	60	25	56	0	53	12	49	
Average hours in the period	11	13	12	12	14	14	14	10	14	13	
Accumulated total solar	420	4	155	1	101	4	170	4	154		
radiation (MJ/sq.m.)	130		155	•	_			l 			
Average relative humidity (%)	39	55	41	60	52	70	33	70	49	62	
Maximum relative humidity (%)	73	83	94	100	100	100	74	88	93	81	
Minimum relative humidity (%)	15	30	<b>≪</b> 8.	21	-	13	16	40	25	47	
Average absolute vapor	~	-	7	-7	0	0	10	0	0	7	
pressure (mb)	7	/		7	8	8	16	9	9	/	
Average wind speed (mph)	4	2	4	3	3	1	2	0	3	1	
Maximum wind speed (mph)	32	23	<sub>4</sub> . 30≁	47		26	38	7	21	5	
Average CO <sub>2</sub> concentration (Pascal)	19		19		19		19		19		
Maximum CO <sub>2</sub> concentration (Pascal)	24	_	47		23		23		23		
Accumulated gas consumption											
(cu.ft./sq.ft.)	5	22	13	22	17	22	3	14	6	3	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Lost one day's data

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