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A JERSEY FIELD DAY

Mr. Hening and Mr. Marquardt attended the annual picnic and field day of the New York State Jersey Cattle Club at the College of Agriculture last Saturday when Jersey breeders from eleven counties were present and addresses were delivered by members of the faculty of the Agricultural College and the Veterinary College and by "Jim" Brew, representative of the American Jersey Cattle Club and a former member of the Station Staff. Former Director F. B. Morrison welcomed the group to the College and gave a brief account of his recent trip around the world. The affair terminated with a visit to the E. A. Beckwith farm at Ludlowville.

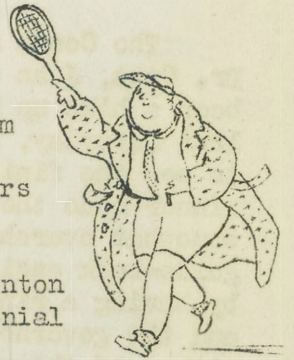
ON SUNDAY

Mr. Marquardt was the guest speaker at the mid-summer meeting of the Genesee Valley Goat Breeders Society held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Golt at Annovale last Sunday, goat breeders seemingly being particularly prone to holding their gatherings on Sundays. One hundred breeders were in attendance and the meeting was followed by an auction of imported Toggenburg and Nubian kid bucks, this being the Society's first step in a goat improvement program for the Genesee Valley.

Speaking of kid bucks reminds us of one of Clune's comments in the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle sometime back on a goat show held by this same Genesee Valley Goat Breeders Society in which the judge made awards to the same kid in both the doe and buck classes. Here's hoping the auctioneer knew his kids!

WE ARE KNOWN AFAR

That the Experiment Station Club has broken into international sports circles is attested to by the receipt of a communication from Sant Singh & Co. of Sialkot, India, addressed to the "Tennis Coach, Geneva Station Club, Geneva, N. Y." Sant Singh & Company are dealers in sporting goods in general and "specialists" in guts, not human fortitude we hasten to explain for the benefit of our nonsporting readers---but the material that is used to "string" tennis and badminton rackets. Sant Singh & Company offer "real-gut", Oriental gut, Colonial gut, and are "known the world over" as the "Gut Production Centre". They forward samples and a price list, so here is your chance, Station badminton fans, to obtain the latest and best in gut for your rackets. The communication has been referred to President Chapman to be filed with the Club's important records.



FROM VIRGINIA

Prof. W. J. Schoene, head of the Department of Entomology at the Virginia Experiment Station and formerly a member of the Entomology Division here, made a brief stop here last Friday while passing thru this region.

HOMEWARD BOUND

Word received from the Pederson family recently conveyed the information that they were in Madison, Wisconsin, at present and would reach Geneva week after next. The Pedersons have been as far west as the Yellowstone in the course of their travels.

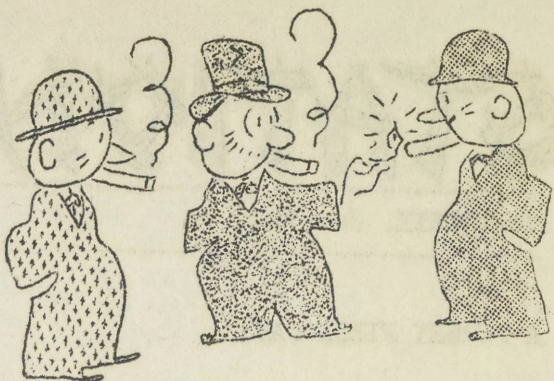


"QUALITY" CIGARS

We are indebted to Extension Echoes for the following item directed to the attention of all cigar smokers!

A Connecticut experiment station worker has been experimenting to find out what makes cigar ash lighter and he disproves the old theory that the length of the ash is proportionate to the quality of the cigar. "A long cigar ash," says this worker, "is proportionate to nothing except the carelessness of the smoker and the danger

that the ash will suddenly break off and spatter all over him. You can get an ash a couple of inches long, or longer, on a cigar that costs 40 cents an hour. But no cigar ash lasts forever. Suddenly it plops, and there you are, shaking your vest out." And he might have added, reckoning with your wife for dropping cigar ashes on the furniture and rug.



PROF. CLAASSEN DIES

Word was received at the Station yesterday of the death of Prof. Claassen of the Department of Entomology at Cornell. Prof. Claassen was well known here for his work on the biology of insects.

BEGINS WORK HERE

Dr. Paul Hering has joined the forces in the Bacteriology Division working on mastitis. With Mr. Brooks and Mr. Haines, he will devote a year's time to this problem.

UNOFFICIAL OBSERVERS

The Conns returned Monday from a vacation in the White Mts. Dr. Conn, Jean and Herbert report the most exciting event to have been a hike up Mt. Washington--the highest point in the Northeast--last Saturday, reaching the top (about 6,600 feet) just in time to see the finish of a marathon foot-race up the mountain. The winner made the eight-mile climb in one hour 16½ minutes, which somewhat overshadowed the feat of the Conns in going up by trail in 3 hours, when the guide-book assigns a time of 4½ hours to the climb. They were reconciled, however, by having a ringside seat at the finish to the race, standing so close to the winner and the governor of New Hampshire that they could easily have shaken hands with either of these notables had they not been too interested in broadcasting to notice that there were members of our distinguished institution also present.



BACK FROM MICHIGAN

Mr. H. C. Hamilton has returned to his work in the Bacteriology Division following a brief vacation in Detroit.

OFF TO THE FAIRS

Not satisfied with a week at the State Fair, Mr. Van Alstyne has also lined up a county fair schedule which we doubt can be equalled by anyone else around the Station. Beginning next Tuesday, Van will judge fruit at the Lockport Fair for two days, then to Penn Yan on Thursday to perform the same duties at the Yates County Fair, and probably to the Ontario County Fair at Canandaigua on Friday. As we have had occasion to mention before, these perennial demands for Van's services as fruit judge speak well for his judicial abilities and apparently there is no thought of packing the bench in these instances at least.

