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SUPPER : Plans for the Station picnic next Friday are about complete. The place,
AT 6:30 : as everyone knows, is Cayuga Lake State Park, and the committee plan to
-----: serve supper about 6:00 o'clock. There will be various events before and
after supper, including, we suppose, the annual baseball game. Everyone is request-
ed to bring their own knives, forks, and spoons and drinking utensils. Plates will
be supplied. If you can take someone else in your car or if you want transportation
to the Park, please call Miss Sill, extension 43.

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50 PER CENT : The J. B. Lyon Company of Albany was again the low bidder on the Sta-
INCREASE : tion printing as the result of bids opened last Friday. Even tho the
-----: Lyon bid was substantially lower than that of the three other bidders,
the prices for 1934-35 are 50% higher than for the fiscal year that comes to close
on June 30. That this increase will seriously handicap the Station's publication
program goes without saying. And this leads us to quote the following "Advice to
Contributors" by an unknown author in a recent number of the Journal of the American
Medical Association:

If you've got a thought that's happy -

Boil it down.

Make it short and crisp, and snappy -

Boil it down.

When your brain its coin has minted,

Down the page your pen has sprinted,

If you want your effort printed,

Boil it down.

Take out every surplus letter -

Boil it down.

Fewer syllables the better -

Boil it down.

Make your meaning plain - express it,

So we'll know - not merely guess it,

Then, my friend, ere you address it,

Boil it down.

Cut out all the extra trimmings -

Boil it down.

Skin it well - then skin the skinnings -

Boil it down.

When you're sure 'twould be a sin to

Cut another sentence in two,

Send it on, and we'll begin to -

Boil it down.

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INSTALL : A new Birdseye quick freezing unit has been installed in the basement of
FREEZER : the Dairy Building by the Frosted Foods Sales Corporation of New York City
-----: which is cooperating again with the Station in the quick freezing of fruit
and vegetables. Strawberries, raspberries, peas, and corn-on-the-cob will be given
special attention this year, while other products will also come in for trial during
the summer. Mr. S. P. MacDonald, chemist for the Frosted Foods Corporation, has
taken up his residence here for a year and next winter will cooperate with the Chem-
istry Division in studies on changes taking place in strawberries and raspberries
during the freezing process.

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RECENT : Dr. Fine, Director of the General Foods Laboratory at Battlecreek, and
VISITORS : his assistant, Dr. Pack, called at the Station last week to confer with
-----: Dr. Tressler on the work of his Division with pectins and enzymes.

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VISITORS : Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Francis of Mandeville, Jamaica, are guests of Dr.
FROM JAMAICA : and Mrs. Hedrick. Mr. Francis served for two years as horticulturist
-----: on the Station Staff when he devoted most of his time to the prepara-
tion of the pear book.

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CHERRY : Closely related to the freezing work carried on here for the past two or
PIES : three years was a pie-making test conducted in the basement of Hedrick Hall
-----: last week by Miss Lucy Kinbell, formerly a member of the staff of the Col-
lege of Home Economics at Ithaca and until lately in the employ of the Frosted Foods
Corporation. Miss Kinbell was comparing frozen and canned cherries, peaches, plums,
and the like for filling for pies--and such pies! We happened along in time for an
"official" test of some of them and know whereof we speak. In fact they inspired the
Station's poet laureate to break forth with the following lines which are something
in the nature of a lament over the failure of two maidens in their quest for these
delectable confections:

Oh-Oh! said gentle Mary, with a twinkle in her eye,
My little tummy's empty and I want a piece of pie.
Then up spoke brave Cecelia, saying BE THOU NOT AFRAID,
But quickly come along with me, where pies are being made.

So they journeyed to the basement and saw pies hot, nice and trim
Then turned the latch and with great glee they quickly entered in.
There all the docs were eating, and declared the pies were swell,
But when the girls tried butting in, they only got a snell.

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A VISITOR : Mrs. Dahlberg is visiting her son, Dr. Dahlberg. Mrs. Dahlberg makes
FROM BOSTON : her home with Mrs. Nehrling, her daughter, who resides in Boston.
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DR. MACK : Dr. and Mrs. Mack left yesterday for Cleveland from which point Mrs.
IN MADISON : Mack will go to Pittsburg to visit relatives while Dr. Mack continues
-----: on to Madison, Wisconsin, to attend the Colloid Symposium to be held
at the University of Wisconsin this week.

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GREETINGS, : The Traphagons are receiving congratulations on the arrival of Robert
ROBERT! : last Sunday morning.
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RECEIVES : Nathan True, formerly a member of the Chemical Division here and for the
A D. Sc.: past several years chief chemist for the Mead Johnson Company of Evans-
-----+ ville, Indiana, was given the honorary degree of Doctor of Science by the
Evansville College last week. Dr. True's degree was the third of its kind to be
granted by the College during the past seven years. "Local Boy Makes Good" should
be the title of this note, for "Nate" has certainly done well with the Mead Johnson
Company.

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SCARLET : The fourth Station family was quarantined for scarlet fever on Monday when
FEVER : Eleanor Tressler came down with the prevailing malady. We are glad to
-----: learn that she is not seriously ill, and that reports from the Collisons,
the Kertesz's, and the Taylors are also quite favorable.

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MISS SNYDER : The vacation season has arrived and one of the first to take advantage
ON VACATION : of the opportunity is Miss Snyder of the Bacteriology Division.
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STATE : A group from the Station including Mr. Van Alstyne, Dr. Horsfall, Mr. Tapley,
FAIR : and Mr. Lockett will/State Fair officials on the State Fair grounds in
-----: Syracuse next Friday morning to discuss details of the Station exhibit and
to supply specifications for necessary construction.
