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HEADING WEST

Doctor Carruth has tendered his resignation, effective October 15th, to accept the position of Professor of Entomology and Head of the Department, University of Arizona. Larry will be responsible for the research and teaching in entomology in the College of Agriculture and the Agricultural Experiment Station at Tucson. Intensive production of vegetable crops under irrigation, a citrus industry, cotton, and forage crops, with their attendant insect problems, will engage his attention, together with the ever-present grasshopper threat to range lands. A graduate of the University of Massachusetts, Doctor Carruth received his Ph. D. degree from Cornell University in 1935. He began work here on a temporary basis in the summer of 1934 and was appointed to the Staff in April 1935. A former President of the Station Club and active in Staff affairs, Doctor Carruth will be missed at the Station and in the community. However, we congratulate him upon the opportunities presented by the new position and wish him success and happiness.

TWO RETIREMENTS

Retirement of two men well known at the Station has been announced the past few days. Dr. W. J. Schoene, Professor of Economic Entomology, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, has been placed on a part-time basis with his institution, having attained his 70th birthday. Doctor Schoene was a member of the Entomology Division here from 1905 to 1906 and has been a frequent visitor to the Station since then. And according to the New York Times, Dr. Robert D. Glasgow, State Entomologist at Albany since 1928, retires today, having reached the statutory retirement age. A brother of the late Doctor Hugh Glasgow, he was a frequent visitor to the Station. He has been engaged, among other things, in studies aimed at the control of mosquitoes and black flies—the accomplishment of which will certainly assure him a place in the Hall of Fame, at least with campers and sportsmen.

VISITORS

Doctor Earl Stadtman of the University of California and Mrs. Stadtman visited Doctor Kertesz last week. Mrs. Stadtman is the former Theresa Campbell, a native Genevan, who worked in the Bacteriology Division some years ago....Another former associate, Doctor Robert Messier, also visited here last week. He is now with Chemical Abstracts.....Charley Rutschky stopped in over the weekend. He's now at Penn State and will take his final exams for his PhD at Ithaca on September 8th....Conferring at FS&T last week Tuesday was Mr. Daniel J. Frese of Mallinckrodt Chemical Company.....Jim Hamilton was overrun by visitors last Thursday. His guests included Doctor John Harry of Carbide and Chemical Company, Doctor H. W. Thurston, Jr., of Penn State, and Doctor M. T. Hilborn of the University of Maine....And on Monday, Doctor J. R. Shay of Purdue stopped in to chat with him. After his stop here, Doctor Shay went with our pomologists to the Hort Meeting in Ottawa.....Also on their way to the Ottawa meeting were four visitors from Rutgers University. John Watson and James Mowry, students, and Frank Gilbert and Fred Haugh, instructors, spent Monday afternoon inspecting the Station's fruit plantings. Mr. Haugh worked here during his undergraduate days....To Entomology came Doctor Abraham Willink, resident Doctor in Entomology at Ithaca. Doctor Willink comes from Argentina....Yesterday, two extension specialists from the Georgia Experiment Station at Athens, visited Bill Tapley for the purpose of studying the plant breeding work here. They were Professors Elmo Ragsdale and L. E. Farmer.

FAREWELL PARTY

Eight of her associates tendered a farewell luncheon to Irene McDonald Monday noon, marking the termination of her services at the Station. After the luncheon at Candlelight Inn, Irene was presented with an electric Mix-Master and a corsage, a parting gift from her many friends. Eyewitness accounts report that for the first time in her life, the able secretary was speechless. We'll all miss you, Irene. Meanwhile, a successor has been named in the person of Mrs. Nina C. Rohner of Geneva. Mrs. Rohner will assume her new duties tomorrow. Her previous work includes the field of religious education in Virginia, and ten years of experience in the business office at Hobart. During the summer of 1947, she substituted for Florence Updike in FS&T. Her home is at 407 S. Main St. And to Mrs. Rohner, we say "Welcome!"

NEW YORK STATE FAIR - SENT 5-10

HUCKER AT FARM-LABOR PARLEY

Doctor George Hucker was one of several prominent speakers at a labor-farm conference in Syracuse yesterday. Speakers representing both elements spoke regarding problems of their fields, in order to promote better understanding between the groups. Doctor Hucker's topic, "The Fundamental Problems of Agriculture," was broadcast yesterday morning.

SAILING, SAILING

The Einsets left for Philadelphia last weekend to visit friends prior to Mrs. Einset's voyage to Norway. She will be accompanied by their son, John, Jr., and a friend, Mrs. Due-Olsen, who has been visiting at the Einset home for some time. Doctor Einset will return to Geneva tomorrow, after seeing the group weigh anchor today.

CALIFORNIA BOUND

We hope this isn't the start of a mass exodus but on Sunday evening, Mrs. Bill Schroeder and children departed for California for a few weeks' stay. They'll have their headquarters in Los Angeles.

GLEANINGS

Betty Cullinane has returned from her vacation at Hyannis on Cape Cod and we learn that the Breeds are now spending a week at the same place. Doctor and Mrs. Breed left last weekend in the company of their daughter and son-in-law, Alice and Doctor Gerard Laviano. They will stay at the summer home of Professor and Mrs. Lam-sing of Hobart.....Mrs. Elton Clark and children have arrived to take up their resi-dence in Ovid.....The Schweikerts have been spending several days down in the big town....The Glass family is spending a week's vacation at Cape Ann in Massachusetts....The tomato grading project received impetus last week with the arrival of more members of the USDA. Norman Healey, co-ordinator of the project, and G. B. Glount, both of the Washington office, and district representative Icenagle of Rochester par-ticipated in last week's operations....We noticed that the local newspaper ran iden-tical articles side-by-side on a shower given in honor of Betty Clark of FS&T. Just to even things up, her friends gave her another shower last Saturday, this time in the form of a linen affair. Betty plans to walk the plank with Robert Brownell of Geneva on October 15th.....Bill Tapley has been chosen to judge the exhibits of com-petitive varieties of vegetables at the State Fair next Monday...And in the Leo Klein-Publicity Department we quote from a gladiolus review in last Sunday's New York Times— "The new crop of seedlings displayed at the (gladiolus) shows was as heavy as usual...you may look with anticipation within the next two or three years for....L. G. Klein's No. 458120, a lavender pink..." The reference is made to the spike which took the gold cup at the Binghamton show recently....Our foreign correspondent has tracked Otto Reinking through several parts of the Philippines. Last drum beat we heard was two shorts and a long which means that he left Zamboanga and was headed for Bor-neo.

ATTENDING HORTICULTURAL MEETING

The local delegation to the meeting of the Great Plains Section of the American Society for Horticultural Science left on Tuesday for the pow-wow at Ottawa. At-tending the three-day session are Dick Wellington, Karl Brase, and Bob Lamb.

SYMPOSIA IN WISCONSIN

With J. C. Cain at the wheel, four local scientists and two from Ithaca will at-tend scientific meetings at Madison, Wisconsin starting tomorrow and lasting through next STATION NEWS day. John will attend the plant nutrition symposium with Nelson Shaulis, Damon Boynton and Jeff Dawson on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Next Mon-day, Tuesday, and Wednesday, Bob Holley and Frank Boyle will be in attendance at another symposium dealing with plant hormones.

ENROLLMENT IN HOSPITAL PLAN

For the information of newcomers to the staff, the next enrollment date for the Station group in the Blue Cross Plan of the Rochester Hospital Service will be Septem-ber 15th. New enrollees should have their applications in to one of the committee members by September 9th. On the committee are Doctors Braun, Foster, Gambrell and Dearborn.

Today's thought is in the form of a warning in an item culled from the August 29th issue of Chemical and Engineering News. Concerning freak accidents, the story goes like this. "Near Yreka, California, Ivan Harzel, 26 year old county agricul-tural commission employee was working in the fields when his pants exploded. It seems that his trousers had become impregnated with a sodium chlorate weed killer with which he had been working, and when he put his hand into his pocket, the fric-tion set them off."! We don't know whether to cry or to laugh over that one.
