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TWILIGHT SAVING TIME

Pamphlets were distributed yesterday explaining some of the angles of the new 55 year retirement plan. While some details are not yet clear, in essence the plan permits the voluntary retirement of persons anytime after reaching 55 years of age, with larger retirement allowances than heretofore. Those who are presently enrolled in the New York State Employees' Retirement System have until the end of this year to transfer to the 55 year proposition. Such information as is available can be obtained from the Director's office.

GRADUATE RULES DISCUSSED

Staff members met in Jordan Hall on Monday, with Damon Boynton of the College of Agriculture in a discussion of new legislation for the graduate school catalog. A proposed ruling that the graduate's chairman must be a member of the Ithaca faculty met with disapproval. Instead, a motion will be presented to the Graduate School Faculty Meeting to rewrite the proposed legislation to enable graduate students to have two co-chairmen, one of whom may be from the Geneva Station.

CERES CIRCLE FINALE

"Pictures in Flower Arrangements" will be presented at the May 29th meeting of the Ceres Circle, to be held at the home of Mrs. Heinicke. This will be guest night, according to program chairman Mrs. James Moyer, and the last meeting of the group until October.

AFTER-LUNCHEON SPEAKERS

Guest speaker at a meeting of the Clifton Springs Rotary yesterday was Doctor Carl Pederson. His topic was "Food Spoilage".....At today's meeting of the Geneva Rotary Club, Doctor Carpenter will tell about his recent trip to South America. He'll also have some commercial movies at his disposal which he'll use to illustrate his talk. Doctor Carpenter will repeat the program later today for students at the Geneva High School.....And Professor Hartzell spoke at a meeting of the Grange in Seneca Castle last evening.

BACTERIOLOGISTS TO MEET

Three Station scientists will take part in the meeting of the Society of American Bacteriologists at Baltimore, May 13-15. They are Doctors Breed, Pederson, and Conn, all of whom will participate in a round table discussion on Bacterial Classification.

VISITORS

Guests of the Slates over the weekend was Doctor Isabella Preston of Georgetown, Ontario. Doctor Preston, who is now retired, is well known as a former ornamental specialist at Ottawa's Dominion Experimental Farm.....And Doctor Walther Trappman of Braunschweig, Germany, visited Entomology and Plant Pathology last Thursday. As an official of the plant protection section of Western Germany's Department of Agriculture, Doctor Trappman is touring the United States under the auspices of our government, for the purpose of evaluating technics in testing insecticides and fungicides.

SUBSTITUTION

Arthur Mason was rehospitalized last weekend as his illness continued. He's now at the Geneva General. Substituting for him in his European Chafer work is Doctor H. Tashiro of the USDA. Doctor Tashiro reported here Monday and was helped through the ropes by Doctor Walter Fleming and Mr. C.H. Hadley of the Japanese Bee-tle Laboratory. The latter two gentlemen spent yesterday at the Station. Doctor Tashiro hails from California and earned his advanced degree from Cornell. His wife and two children are still on the West Coast and will join him here in the near future.

HAMILTON UNDER MEDICAL CARE

A few red corpuscles lost in his recent fray with the flu have sent Jim Hamilton to Clifton Springs for a more leisurely recuperation. Jim's knees got wobbly last Wednesday as a result of a premature return from the sick bed. He'll be at Clifton for at least the rest of this week.

MOVING UP DAY

June 1st marks a change in status for several members of the Station family. A yen for further education has led two regular staff members to accept assistantships in their respective Divisions. Roger Way, present research associate in Pomology, will become a graduate assistant in the position being vacated by Ronald Tukey. And Walt Clark, research associate in FS&T will make a similar change in order to partake of some Cornell instruction this fall. Meanwhile, Ray Sheldrake, grad assistant in Veg Crops will move into the higher bracket now held by George Johannesen. George is due to complete his studies at the end of this month.

MASK AND WIG

The Opera Workshop of Hobart and William Smith Colleges is making a four-day stand of a Gilbert and Sullivan operetta, starting tonight. "Patience or Bunthorne's Bride" is the title of the opus. Tickets can be obtained from Horton Durfee, Bolin's Music Store, or at the door of the auditorium.

STRICTLY GRADE "A"

A son was born in the Ithaca hospital last Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dana and he's been promised all the ice cream he can eat by Grandpa Arthur Dahlberg, former Station dairy specialist, now on the Ithaca staff. Reports are that the new grandfather became almost homogenized with excitement, especially when he learned that the youngster has been named Arthur Dahlberg Dana.

THIS 'N' THAT

George Howe has received a request from Tipperary, Ireland, for some seeds of the Monroe apple. Apparently the correspondent is trying to save the postage on a whole tree because it is a long, long way.....Harry Young's address is 222 Ar-rington Street, Stillwater, Oklahoma.....Bill Schroeder diagnosed Jim Hamilton's case as a malfunction of the mistomatic sprayduster....There'll be a meeting of the "Brownies" here next week. The girls are planning a picnic on the Station grounds but those logs out back of Jordan are not for the campfire. They're to be used as markers for a new parking area which is sorely needed....For a while we were sympathizing with Dearborn for the rough weather ahead in Alaska. But for the past few days we've wondered if he's any worse off than we are.....May 11th is anniversary day at the Ithaca hospital and all babies born that day will receive complimentary passes into the world. That may be the reason why Ray Sheldrake may be seen brewing all sorts of witches' potions' potions by the light of the moon in the Ithaca hills.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(May 6, 1925) Plans for the May Staff meeting include a program by several members of the Staff, followed by a supper and a talk by Commissioner Pyrke of the Department of Farms and Markets.....Harold Tukey spoke on the marketing of apples over radio station WGY.....F.G. Gambrell took up his duties as assistant entomologist on May 5th.....(May 13, 1925) Professors Fisk and Price of the College of Agriculture scored a series of cheeses made in the course of experimental work by Station Dairy and Bacteriological Divisions. A duplicate set of the cheeses was scored the same day at the University of Wisconsin.....Doctors Breed and Conn read papers at meeting of the Central New York Branch of American Society of Bacteriologists.... Doctor Hucker and Doctor Robinson attended a Syracuse meeting of the State Society of Public Health Laboratories.....(May 20, 1925) Foster Gambrell celebrated his return to the 'line-up' by dropping a barrel of lime on his foot.

BERRY TROUBLES

Doctor Braun and Doctor Taschenberg were two of the speakers at a meeting held in Hamburg last Thursday. The conference involved processors, and research and extension specialists in a discussion of raspberry insect and disease problems in relation to processing.

"Chance only favors the prepared mind"--Louis Pasteur