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BEETLE BATTLE

Biological warfare will be discussed by the field command in charge of controlling the Mexican Bean Beetle, in a conference to be held in Jordan Hall this Friday morning at 10:30. The persistence of this perennial pest is one of the topics on the program concerning vegetable insect control, to be discussed by Doctor Hervey and county agents from the Western New York area.

NEW FACES

The first of July brought several new people to the Geneva Station, several of whom have been introduced in previous issues of the NEWS. Today we'd like you to meet the rest of the newcomers. Miss Mary Jorgensen has been engaged as a laboratory assistant in Seed Investigations. She is a 1949 graduate of Geneva High School and lives at 47 Geneva Street.....Handling the spare typewriter in Entomology is Miss Janice Rizzo of 119 East North Street. Miss Rizzo completed her Geneva High School studies last month.....Food Science announces two more new appointments. Miss Helen McCullough of Utica graduated from Elmira College this year and began her duties as laboratory assistant this week. She is living on Genesee Street in Geneva. And Theodore Wishnetsky (we'll call him "Ted") of New York City has assumed the position of research associate. He holds a bachelor's degree from the College of Agriculture and a master's degree from the School of Nutrition at Cornell, garnered this year. He and Mrs. Wishnetsky have taken up residence at 407 Main.....Succeeding Jim Clark as custodian of the Chemistry Building is Mr. John J. Gigliotti of Maple Street in Geneva. Jim has left on doctor's orders to take a rest.

NURSERYMEN INSPECT EXPERIMENTS

Professors Jim Hamilton and Karl Brase, with Robert Gilmer of the University of Wisconsin, joined a group of Dansville nurserymen in a trip to Sodus on Friday to inspect nursery experiments being conducted by Professor K.G. Parker of the College. The tests are aimed at controlling virus infections of young fruit trees.

BERRY PICKING BEE

To Oswego County last Thursday went George Slate and Leo Klein to look over activity in that strawberry growing area. Growers who are trying some of Slate's soon-to-be-named varieties reported favorably on their performance. The Oswego County strawberry growers have built up a reputation for high quality fruit and find a ready market for their produce in the metropolitan area, at prices which exceed by far those paid in the Geneva area. It's a fine example of how a cooperative project benefits all participants...and supplies the consumer with a fresh, quality product.

'T WON'T BE LONG NOW

Station Club President J.C. Cain announces that the date for the annual Station picnic has been tentatively set for Saturday afternoon, July 29th. Unless conflicts arise with the Cayuga Lake State Park schedule, the outing will be held at that time. General chairman for the affair is Mrs. Betty Curtis who is drawing up the sub-committees at this time. Generally, the program will be the same as last year on a bring-your-own-food-we'll-furnish-coffee-and-dessert basis. Swimming, softball, and horseshoes are listed under the heading of recreation. Full details will be listed in next week's NEWS.

MR. STEARMAN'S FATHER DIES

We note with sorrow the passing of A.J. Stearman last Wednesday. He was the father of Ralph Stearman, Station engineer, and made his home on Castle Street in this city.

Five plant scientists from Germany visited the Station last Friday and again on Monday. Doctors H.G. Bosch, Hermann Heddergott, Ludwig Rump, Wolfgang Klett, and Heinrich Isenberg are Directors of Plant Protection Stations in their own country and were interested in insect and disease control. On Friday, they will visit the Vineyard Laboratory at Fredonia.

OTHER VISITORS

Magazine editors visited George Slate twice last week. Ted Weston of the "Flower Grower" came last Wednesday and Fred Rockwell of the "Home Garden" spent Saturday here. Both gentlemen toured the Station grounds as well as Professor Slate's flower garden.....Gleaning some information for Tasmanian canners, a Mr. Twilley called on Professors Sayre and Tapley last Thursday. Point of information was pea culture.....In the social column, we note that Mrs. Helen Streeter of Portland, Maine, visited Station friends over the weekend.

WEEKEND CASUALTY

The only mishap reported involving a Station family over the long weekend was a scrape between an automobile and 7-year old Peter Clark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elton Clark of Entomology. Peter suffered a severe cut on his leg and a bruised head when he was brushed by a vehicle near the family home in Ovid, Sunday morning.

ON THE ROAD

Karl Brase left yesterday for a few-days' trip westward. He and K.G. Parker will spend the rest of the week at Michigan State and the Sturgeon Bay Station in Wisconsin observing virus control projects at those Stations.

NANCY BECKER BEREAVED

The Becker home in Penn Yan was saddened on Monday by the sudden death of Nancy's father. Our sympathy is extended to the family.

ON THE LINKS

Golfing is getting into full swing again at both of the area country clubs. At the Seneca Lake Club, Bette Cullinan, Carrie Legnini, and Irene McDonald have qualified for the season's tournament. Carrie is getting the jump on her opponents in a two-week's vacation during which she's practically camping on the golf courses. She plans a few warm-up sessions at the IBM club in Endicott. Over at the Geneva Country Club, Doctors Pearce, Boyle, Hand and Hening saw action during Sunday's balmy hours.

WEEKEND JOTTINGS

Boyd Van Dyke of Penn Yan, a recent Station employee in Seeds and Plant Path, spoke his vows with Miss Dorothy Behrens of Geneva on June 25th. Congratulations to the bride and groom.....Completing the list of summer returnees are Mr. and Mrs. Larry Burke. He's a grad assistant in Plant Path and she's assisting the grad assistant.....On the vacation list is Bacteriology's Mrs. Pederson. And Pete Gigliotti and family are sojourning in the Niagara area....."Trap" continues to improve in his Seneca Castle home. He can see visitors now.....Reverend Rufus LeFevre of Tamaqua, Penna., dropped in for a short visit today. He was a temporary member of the Entomology Division a couple years ago.....Professor Sayre celebrated his completion of 25 years of service at the Station last week by treating himself to a new car.

CARD OF THANKS

Ralph Stearman expresses his sincere gratitude to the many friends who sent cards and flowers upon the death of his father.

NEW BOOKS RECEIVED IN THE LIBRARY

Experiments in Soil Bacteriology. Allen, O.N.
Hedrick, U.P. A history of horticulture in America to 1860.
Cochran, W.C. and Cox, Gertrude M. Experimental designs.
Bromfield, Louis. Out of the earth.
Pateron, John W. Science in agriculture.
Tanner, Fred W. Manual microbiology of foods.
Klöse, Nelson. America's crop heritage.
Price, Matlack. Advertising and editorial layout.
Curtis, O.F. & Clark, D.D. Plant physiology.
Perry, John H. Chemical engineers handbook, 3rd ed.
Green, Henry. Industrial rheology and rheological structures.
Henrici, Arthur T. The biology of bacteria, 3rd ed.
Prescott, Samuel C. Industrial microbiology.
Parker, Milton E. Food-plant sanitation.
Charley, V.L.S. Recent advances in fruit juice production.
Riegel, E.R. Chemical machinery.
Symposia on quantitative biology, v. 7 and v. 14, Cold Spring Harbor.
Anderson, B. & Weil, B.H. Literature search on the preservation of foods by freezing.
Crafts, Currier, Stocking. Water in the physiology of plants.