

STATION NEWS

Let's be thankful



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MEETINGS--MEETINGS--MEETINGS

Several of the entomologists were in Philadelphia Monday and Tuesday for the annual meeting of the Eastern Branch of the American Association of Economic Entomologists. Those presenting papers included Doctor Lienck who reported for Doctor Chapman and himself on investigations on orchard mites, Professor Mundinger who spoke on pear psylla control, Wayne Howe on the seed corn maggot, Doctor Smith on the lesser peach tree borer, Doctor Dean on apple maggot, and Doctor Adams on Jap beetle. Doctor Chapman and Doctor Glass also attended the meeting.

The twelfth annual Cornell Seed School was held in Ithaca on Monday and Tuesday. Professor Munn spoke before the dry bean section Monday afternoon and Doctor Clark reported on control field plantings at the Tuesday morning session. Doctor Schroeder also addressed the seedsmen on Monday on the seed corn maggot control work carried on by Wayne Howe and himself.

Doctor Pederson was in Rochester yesterday for a meeting of New York State kraut packers.

Doctor Chapman traveled to Albany for a conference Monday at the State Department of Agriculture and Markets on matters pertaining to nursery insect pests. He then went on to Philadelphia for the entomological meetings.

Doctor Gambrell was in Moorestown, N. J., the first of the week for a conference with USDA entomologists on nursery problems.

Mr. Lockett and Professor G.S. Butts of the College of Agriculture participated in a planning meeting of the State Horticultural Society in Rochester Monday when the program and exhibits for the 1951 meetings of the Society were outlined.

About 200 food processors representing 75 processing plants attended the third annual food processing meeting at the Station last Wednesday. Harold Beattie and Dominic De Felice, formerly with the Station, were among the visiting food processors.

ARE YOU UNDER 12?

If so, please get your name down on the list for the Station Club Christmas party at once! Doctor and Mrs. Ed Glass are in charge of this gala event and they are soliciting the help of the secretaries of the several Divisions in compiling a list of ALL youngsters "through 11 but under 12 years of age" to pass along to Santa for the main event of all Christmas parties--the distribution of gifts from his generous pack. The committee wants to know the name and age of each child (also sex if the name is not sufficiently revealing). Time is of the essence (whatever that means); in other words they want the list AT ONCE and not later than FRIDAY of this week. The date for the Christmas party has been set. It is to be Thursday, December 14th. So put a circle around that date on the calendar. And PLEASE help by making certain that the names of all children under twelve reach Mrs. Glass by next Friday, November 24th. Thanks!

AND SPEAKING OF DATES

The Director has released the following communication which we are happy to pass along to our constant readers:

"In accordance with the recommendations of Acting President of the University, C.W. de Kiewiet, the offices and laboratories at the Station will be closed on Tuesday, December 26th. Staff members who are required to be on duty at that time are to be given equivalent time off on another day. Offices will also be closed on Thanksgiving Day, November 23rd, and on New Year's Day, January 1st. In accordance with the University's usual practice, no other vacation time is authorized."

MOVING TO CHICAGO

According to press notices, Dr. Donald K. Tressler, one time head of the Chemistry Division here, has been named Technical Director of the Quartermaster Food and Container Institute in Chicago. For the past several years Doctor Tressler engaged in private consulting work, with headquarters in Westport, Conn.

MRS. van ALSTYNE

We record with deep personal sorrow the death on Tuesday of last week of Mrs. Edna van Alstyne at the Bertelsen Nursing Home in Seneca Castle, following a long illness. We extend sincere sympathy to Lewis and John, as well as to other members of the family, in their loss. Lewis is recuperating from an operation at the Clifton Springs Sanitarium.

BACK IN FS&T

Last week at Ithaca Ernest Sondheimer successfully passed his qualifying examinations for the Ph. D. degree and has now resumed his duties as a graduate assistant in the Division of Food Science and Technology.

BABY IS DOING WELL

Joan Ellen Rickey, weight 4 pounds, 7 ounces, arrived on November 14th and is doing very nicely, thank you. Congratulations to mother and dad.

VISITORS

R.L. Winklepleck, horticultural agent of the B. & O. Railroad, and Kail E. Rion, B. & O. regional representative, spent some time last week with Doctor Hervey discussing the low-gallonage sprayer that he has been trying out on vegetable crops. Other visitors to the Entomology Division were W.S. McLeod and W.G. Matthewman, entomologists from the Dominion Department of Agriculture in Ottawa, who were interested chiefly in vegetable crop pests.

A TIP TO THE COOK

Extension Echoes must hope to get a turkey out of an item they carry this week on behalf of local turkey raisers. Echoes advises having "a larger bird than will be consumed". And that is very good advice, for what could be more disconcerting than not to have enough turkey to go around tomorrow! "The appearance of scarcity discourages 'second helpings', and a turkey skeleton has no place at a feast," continues Echoes. A 12 to 14-pound (drawn weight) carcass, if superior meat-type, will be enough for six to eight persons and will leave something over for creamed turkey and soup, says Echoes' home economics editor.

CHECKING AROUND

We hear that Doctor and Mrs. Holley have moved out on their farm.....Bob Wesselmann is taking a two weeks' vacation on his mink ranch, though why he needs vacation after ten weeks of doing as he pleases is beyond us.....Jane Pederson Williams and her husband Bill are spending Thanksgiving with Doctor and Mrs. Pederson. Their home is in Galveston, Tex., where Bill is interning.....We hear that Roy Gillette, well-known figure in the spray machinery business, is making satisfactory recovery from the auto accident last Friday that took the life of his companion, Mr. Smith, a nursery inspector. They were returning home from the insecticide and fungicide conference at Ithaca.....A copy of "Apples and Apple Products" has been contributed to the Station Library by Doctor Kertesz. The book is the second in a series of monographs on the chemistry, physiology, and technology of economic crops edited by Doctor Kertesz. Professor R.M. Smock of the College of Agriculture at Ithaca and A.M. Neubert, U. S. Fruit and Vegetable Products Lab at Pullman, Wash., are authors of the volume.....Bristow Adams, professor emeritus of publications at Ithaca, celebrated his 75th birthday on Armistice Day. BA claims to be the only man in the USA whose birthday falls on a day declared a national holiday while he was still living.....From a Geneva Daily Times account of the body guard set up as a security measure to protect President Truman: "The President takes a daily walk every morning before breakfast. A Secret Service agent walks beside him. Several walk close by. And a Secret Service man, heavily armed and manned, purrs along beside or behind them."

"Ideas come from unexpected places--so keep the door open"..Food Industries.