

Plans are progressing apace for the Station picnic on Friday, July 9 at 3 P. M., at "Jersey Field". Judging from the general reports which are available from the various committees, "The Picnic" this year will be BIGGER and better. Over a hundred are planning to attend. The men will whet their appetites by indulging in a ball game which is receiving more than the usual attention - while the ladies will enjoy the less strenuous sports being planned by the committee in charge.

Messrs. Berger, Hall and Hartzell, under the guidance of Mr. Stewart spent the week-end on Seventh Lake in the Adirondacks. Numerous specimens of plants, rocks, etc., were collected for further study during leisure hours. Mr. Hartzell, the fisherman, supplied fish for more than one meal but it is left to the imagination whether they were "bass" or "sardines".

Mr. Parrott and Mr. Streeter are in Albany today, to attend a conference dealing with the use of certain spray mixtures.

Dr. Anderson is attending a training camp for Medical Reserve Officers at Carlisle, Pa. during the coming two weeks. He holds the rank of Major in the Medical Reserve Corps. Mr. Sayre is also attending training camp for Artillery Reserve Officers at Madison Barracks for the next two weeks. His rank is Colonel in the Reserve Corps.

Dr. Conn and family plan to leave next Monday for their annual vacation at North Woodstock, Mass.

Mr. L. C. Johnson of the DeLaval Company called on the Dairy Department during the week and assisted with the installation of a new separator.

THE STATION EDITOR is attending a meeting of agricultural college and experiment station editors at East Lansing, Michigan. An exhibit of the publication activities of the Station for the past year was shipped to Lansing recently and will be displayed before the assembled editors.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hening spent the Fourth in Canada. Mr. and Mrs. Martin Murray also motored to Canada during the past week. Cards received from "Bill Walsh" at the Station today also indicate that Mr. and Mrs. Walsh are spending some time in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Keeler of Holland, Michigan, spent a few hours at the Station last week renewing old acquaintances. Mr. Keeler for sometime was connected with the Chemistry Department here, and is now manager of a large plant manufacturing special baby food.

Miss Eleanor Graves will assist Mrs. Cook in the library during the summer.

Mrs. Williams, mother of Mrs. Lockett, arrived in Geneva last

Dr. Thatcher returned yesterday from Minneapolis where he met with a committee of the Association of Land Grant Colleges.

Dr. & Mrs. Breed are camping for the next two weeks with the Girl Scout Troop of the First Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Breed is in charge of the camp which is on the east shore of the lake near Pastime Park.

Miss Mabel Sperry was at her home from Erie, Pa., on last Monday and Tuesday. Miss Jessie Sperry is on vacation this month. Miss Mildred McGuigan of the Dairy Dept. is also on vacation during July.

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WITH his retirement from active participation in the work of the Horticultural Department on July 1, Mr. Taylor completed thirty years of energetic service in the cause of horticulture. As dean of the horticultural staff at the Station and as a recognized authority on small fruits, he enjoyed an unusually wide acquaintance among fruit growers of this and other states and was in great demand at meetings to answer questions on varieties and cultural practices. His judgment, based on long years of observation and study, has proved invaluable to his associates. Mr. Taylor enjoys the distinction of having contributed very materially to each of the seven "fruit books", his name being the only one to appear as joint author in all of the series. In addition to his work on the fruit books and to the publication of many popular articles on fruit growing, Mr. Taylor is author or joint author of the following Station publications:

- Bul. No. 218. Variety test of strawberries.
- Bul. No. 243. Spray mixtures and spray machinery. (Joint author)
- Bul. No. 246. An experiment in shading strawberries. (Joint author)
- Bul. No. 265. I. Plant food constituents used by bearing fruit trees.
II. Tabulated analyses showing amounts of plant food constituents in fruits, vegetables, etc. (Joint author)
- Bul. No. 275. Apple districts of New York with varieties for each.
(Joint author)
- Bul. No. 276. Varieties of strawberries and cultural directions.
- Bul. No. 278. Varieties of raspberries and blackberries with cultural directions.
- Bul. No. 288. Ringing herbaceous plants. (Joint author)
- Bul. No. 298. Distribution of Station strawberries and raspberries.
(Joint author)
- Bul. No. 309. Variety test of strawberries and cultural directions.
- Bul. No. 336. Newer varieties of strawberries and cultural directions.
- Bul. No. 401. Strawberry varieties.
- Bul. No. 447. Newer varieties of strawberries.

Mr. Taylor's host of friends will wish him many years of happy contemplation of a life crowded with productive activity and the enjoyment of well-earned leisure.

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WITH this issue the Station NEWS begins the fourth year of its existence. Also, at this time we are inaugurating slight modification of our present methods of "news" gathering in the hope of making the NEWS a more complete record of matters of interest to its readers. This change involves the designation of a representative group of "correspondents" who will keep the NEWS informed of items of interest within their territory. In order that these able assistants may be known of men, they are as follows: Botany, Gloyer; Bacteriology, Breed; Entomology, Hartzell; Horticulture, Hawthorn; Dairy, Marquardt; Service, Traphagen; Chemistry Building, Streeter, Moore, Miss Hopkins, and Harlan. We venture the hope that nothing of importance will escape the attention of these aids and that because of their efforts the NEWS will be bigger and better.

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PROSPECTIVE State Fair exhibitors are urged to note that it will be necessary for the State Fair Committee to know of any alterations that will be needed this year in order to give instructions to the State Fair carpenter by July 15 at the latest.

PLANS FOR THE SALE of Station fruit this year are announced as follows: Mr. J. Furr, a graduate student at Cornell, has been engaged to supervise the picking and distribution of the fruit crop. Notices will be posted in the Biology and Administrative buildings the day before picking, advertising the fruit to be had the next day. Orders should be placed in Box 7 at Jordan Hall before 10:30 A. M., at which time they will be collected. Mr. Furr will be in the lower fruit storage (west of carpenter shop) between 11 and 12 on days that fruit will be distributed, and orders should be called for at that time. In the case of strawberries and similar perishable fruit, notices will be posted the day the fruit is available.

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THOSE ATTENDING THE STATION Picnic are asked to equip themselves with silver and a cup. Plates will be furnished by the Committee.