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PHYTOPATHOLOGY MEETING

Station plant pathologists and several entomologists will be in West Springfield, Mass., tomorrow and Friday for the winter meeting of the Northeastern Division of the American Phytopathological Society. Dr. Hamilton will be chairman of the Thursday afternoon session. In all, six of the fifteen topics listed are authored by Station workers. They include Professors Schroeder, Swenson, Davis, Natti, Palmiter, Hamilton, Szkolnik, and Gilmer, and Frank Emerson. Dr. Palmiter will also speak on his observations during his recent sabbatic leave in the West. In addition to those speakers, Dr. Glass and Dr. Dean will be in West Springfield, tomorrow.

STATION SEMINAR TODAY

Dr. Keith Steinkraus will be the speaker at today's Station seminar at 4 P.M. in Jordan Hall. His topic will be "Some Points of Interest regarding Bacterial Endospores". Coffee will be served at 3:45.

FS&T SEMINAR POSTPONED

A Divisional seminar scheduled for tomorrow evening has been postponed. Dr. Frank Lee had been slated to speak about "Maturity Studies on Peas".

INSECTICIDE-FUNGICIDE CONFERENCE NEXT WEEK

On Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of next week, many Station specialists will be at Ithaca for the annual New York State Insecticide and Fungicide Conference and the annual Pesticide Application Equipment Conference. Dr. Chapman will hold the chair for the Wednesday morning session and he'll give way to Dr. Hamilton for the afternoon meeting. Geneva specialists will present more than 20 topics to the group.

FOOD PROCESSORS TO MEET NEXT WEEK

Another meeting scheduled for next week will be held at the Experiment Station. This is the fifth annual Food Processing Conference, sponsored by the Station's Division of Food Science and Technology. Dr. Pederson, general chairman, announces the program as follows: 10 A.M.--Introductory remarks by Dr. Hand; 10:30--"Bacterial Growth at Low Temperatures" by Dr. Hucker; 10:50--"Processing Apple Slices" by Mr. LaBelle; 11:10--"Acid and Peroxide Formation in Raw Frozen Vegetables" by Dr. Wagenknecht; 11:30--"Measurement of Mold in Raspberries" by Dr. Steinkraus; 12:00 noon--Luncheon at the Trinity Church. The speaker at the luncheon will be W. M. Parry of Rockford, Illinois, whose topic will be "The Commercial Application of the Martin Aseptic Canning System". Following the luncheon meeting, the group will return to the Station and will have some time to visit the Station laboratories. The speaking program will get underway again at 2:30 when Dr. Pederson will discuss "Changes Occurring During Pickle Fermentation". He'll be followed at 3:00 by Dr. Hand who will tell about "Manufacturing Better Tomato Juice". During the afternoon intermission, the guests will have their formal introduction to the new white grape juice developed at the Station. To wind up the afternoon session, Dr. Moyer will speak at 3:45 about "Factors Causing Cherry Scald" and J. C. Hemingway, president of the State Cannery and Freezers Association will lead a group discussion. Dinner at the Seneca Hotel will be served at 5:30 after which, Berton S. Clark, Scientific Director for the American Can Company will tell "How Research Benefits the Food Industry". About 200 representatives of the industry are expected here for the conference.

ANOTHER ELECTION COMING UP

The fairer sex hasn't finished with elections yet. On Monday evening, the Ceres Circle will hold its first meeting of the 1952-53 season and an election of officers will be the chief item on the order of business. Speaker for the evening will be Mrs. F. W. Warder of Geneva, an avid button collector, who will discuss her hobby. This might be a good chance to dispose of those Ike and Adlai buttons. That's Monday, November 10th, at 8 P.M. at the Heinicke residence.

TO SPEAK AT SEMINAR

"Entomological Research at an Agricultural Research Station" will be the topic to be given at a College of Agriculture Seminar under the auspices of the Ithaca Department of Entomology. The day is next Monday and the speaker will be Dr. Paul Chapman, head of the local Entomology Division.

SEED OFFICIALS MEET

Dr. Ben Clark is in Williamsburg, Va., where he is attending a meeting of seed control officials of the Northeastern States. The conference will run for the rest of this week, after which, Dr. and Mrs. Clark will spend a few days visiting her folks in Philadelphia.

PESTICIDE MEETINGS

Entomologists and plant pathologists from Geneva and Ithaca met at the Station last Thursday with the Baby Food Research Committee of the N. Y. State Canners and Freezers Association. The participants reviewed the pesticide recommendations for 1953 to insure that the materials used would meet cannery specifications....In the afternoon, entomologists met with research and regulatory officials of the U. S. Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, here. Up for discussion was the European chafer and the visitors included Mr. William Middleton and Mr. Roy Richmond of Massachusetts and Dr. Walter Fleming of New Jersey.

NOTE OF THANKS

A word of appreciation to his associates at the Station has come from Tom Gainey who retired from his Station duties last week. Tom says thanks to "..... the people of the institution for being nice to me during my length of service, particularly to the members of the Entomology Division". Tom was feted with coffee and cake and a parting gift at a party in Entomology last Friday.

A REMINDER

Sig Lienk has been trying for some time to shed himself of the responsibilities of the Station Club treasurer. This goal was presumably achieved at the Fall Dinner when his successor was elected. However, the treasurer-elect, one I. G. Klein, refuses to accept the ledger until it is put in apple-pie order, so our Siegfried is stuck. That is, until the non-members who partook of the Fall Dinner kick in with their two bucks per each. There seem to be more delinquents than Sig cares to cover so he beseeches all who brought guests and those non-members who attended to kindly remit the monies to him.

JOTTINGS

Our felicitations to Professor and Mrs. Sayre who celebrated their 27th wedding anniversary yesterday. We thought that all that noise early this morning had something to do with an election but we're glad to be straightened out....Mr. and Mrs. Viggo Jensen were in Saratoga Springs last week at the annual meeting of the New York State Grange....Mrs. Crosier and Marlene boarded a train at Rochester, last evening, and are on their way to Kansas where they'll visit Dr. Crosier's parents and a brother. They'll be gone for about three weeks....You may have been surprised to hear Prof. Lockett's voice come booming through your loudspeaker on Monday. He spoke on the Station's apple processing work over Station W B E N at 5:15 A.M.

LITTLE PIGS

According to the Canner, we learn that "Statistics men have come up with some figures on the appetite of babies that the booming baby food canning business probably has known for some time. These youngest of consumers have a surprising food-consuming capacity, as these figures show: During the first year of life, a baby eats 675 cans of prepared baby foods, swallows 30 cans of tomato and other juices, 337 cans of evaporated milk, 22 pounds of sugar or corn syrup. In addition, the tiny stranger chomps ten boxes of Zwiebach, 15 pounds of potatoes, ten dozen eggs, and four pounds of bacon."

Wife: Did you know that a great many accidents occur in the kitchen of our homes?
Husband: Yes, and we men have to eat them and pretend we like them.
