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ENTOMOLOGISTS and Plant Disease specialists from the Station and the College of Agriculture at Ithaca are conferring today on the 1927 program for insect pests and disease control in the light of the past season's experiences. Dr.

Huckett from the Long Island Research Farm at Riverhead and Messrs. Munding and Shear from the Station laboratory at Poughkeepsie are here for this conference.

Those attending from Ithaca included Profs. C. R. Crosby, P. J. Chapman, L. M. Massey, M. F. Barrus, and H. E. Thomas. Mr. W. D. Mills, spray specialist for Ulster County, is also in attendance.

AN EXHIBIT of several of the new seedling apples and grapes originated at the Station has been prepared for the annual meeting of the American Pomological Society which is to be held in Grand Rapids next week. Dr. Hedrick is on the program for the meeting, and plans to spend a few days at Michigan State College also. Harold Tukey, a member of the Board of Directors of the A. P. S., will be among those present.

WORD was received today from Mr. Sayre to the effect that he had had to submit to a rather painful operation for the extraction of an imbedded tooth and that he and Mrs. Sayre will therefore be delayed somewhat in their return to Geneva. They hope to reach here about next Monday.

GEORGE HOWE is planning to spend Thanksgiving in Vermont, while George Slate leaves tonight for his home in Massachusetts.

LITTLE John Van Alstyne, who has undergone a double mastoid operation within the past few days, is much improved and appears to be well on the road to recovery.

MR. AND MRS. Pederson are receiving congratulations on the arrival of an eight-pound boy last Monday.

MISS HAYNES and Dr. Conn are attending a session of the executive body of the Committee on the Standardization of Biological Stains in Boston. Miss Haynes plans to spend Thanksgiving at her home, while Dr. Conn and his family will celebrate at Mrs. Conn's home.

MR. CHAPMAN of the Renco Pure Seed Company of Olivia, Minnesota, was a recent visitor in the Horticultural Department.

PRESIDENT SWEENEY of the Station Club states that for the first time in its history the membership of the Club has reached the 100 mark.

WE TAKE the liberty of reproducing here a contribution by "Bob" Adams of the College of Agriculture at Ithaca, otherwise known as the "Rural Rhymster", to the Thanksgiving number of American Agriculturist:

THANKSGIVING

"The fields are brown, the year is old,
The goldenrod has spent its gold.
Sol fights in vain November's chill
And early sinks behind the hill.
Again the Pilgrim feast is set.
Again to God we owe our debt,
As Kipling says, lest we forget.

If drought and worm have not prevailed,
If growth and harvest have not failed,
If fair reward has followed sweat,
Let's thank Him now lest we forget.

If labors loomed beyond our powers,
If what we craved has not been ours,
For courage matching grief we met,
Let's thank Him now lest we forget.

For all good books that line our shelves
In which we lose and find ourselves,
For all our work beneath the sun,
Including things already done
And brave attempts unfinished yet,
Let's thank Him now lest we forget.

For all the friends that bless our lives,
For children, sweethearts, husbands, wives,
All love that calls for sacrifice
Yet holds the keys of paradise;
For folks to love and serve and pet,
Let's thank the Lord lest we forget.

For memories of loved ones gone
Whom heaven's glory shines upon,
For faith to feel we meet again
Though now they move beyond our ken,
For all whose passing we regret,
Let's thank Him still lest we forget.

Let's leave our daily dollar searches,
Let's go and gather in the churches,
Then, having taken up our stations,
Hard by some good Thanksgiving rations,
Praise God again for what is set,
The good old way, lest we forget."