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A GOODLY portion of the Station Staff is in Rochester today taking part in one way or another in the 72d Annual Meeting of the New York State Horticultural Society. Mr. Parrott started things off this morning with an illustrated talk on recent developments in insect control. Dr. Thatcher, while not listed on the printed program, is expected to appear on the platform this afternoon to talk about the much-needed and long-deferred building. Tomorrow morning Mr. Wellington talks on "Mixtures in Fruit Varieties". Mr. Tukey is scheduled for an illustrated talk at the Hotel Rochester on his recent trip to the Northwest. This about completes the formal appearances of members of the Staff, but several of the Station men will be on hand to answer questions raised during the several periods set aside for the "Question Box".

THE STATION exhibit at the Rochester meeting has reached considerable proportions in late years, until now it is in a fair way to rival the State Fair exhibit. The Station departments occupy 220 feet of wall space, with the fruit exhibit of the Horticultural Department as the central feature. This is flanked on one side by the forty-foot exhibit of the Entomology Department and on the other side by exhibits from the Seed Laboratory, the Publications Department, the Fruit Testing Association, and the Botany Department, including Mr. Gloyer's work with kidney beans and Dr. Rankin's work on raspberry mosaic. Those attending the meeting in one capacity or another include the following: Dr. Thatcher, Dr. Hedrick, Mr. Parrott, George Slate, L. M. Van Alstyne, George How, Mr. Wellington, Dr. Glasgow, Messrs. Hartzell, Daniel, Harman, and Gambrell of the Entomology Department, Mr. Lockett, Mr. Gloyer, Dr. Rankin, Mr. Munn, Mr. King, Mr. Gladwin, Mr. Tukey, Mr. Hopkins, and Mr. Hogan. A visit to the exhibit will be well repaid.

THE STATION chess season was opened last Thursday evening with eight enthusiasts braving the snowstorm to start the play. For those who were not able to be present we want to say that the Social Committee displayed excellent taste in the line of refreshments, and it is to be hoped that future meetings may be better attended. Another session will be held toward the end of the month.

WORD has been received that Dr. and Mrs. Jordan are sailing from New York on Saturday, Jan. 15th, for a month's stay in Bermuda.

MRS. SAYRE, who has been ill for some time, is slowly improving and is now able to receive visitors. Her room is No. 1 at the Geneva General Hospital.

THE NEWS is sorry to announce that Leslie Hawthorne who has been having a rather serious time with his eyes has failed to improve, and the doctors have given orders that he is not to use his eyes for any purpose whatever for at least a week. Mr. Hawthorne left town Saturday morning, and no word has been received since then, but we hope that the complete rest will start him on the road to recovery.

THE SERVICE quoit team was defeated Monday evening by the Acrehurst team by a score of 148 to 88. Messrs. Traphagen and Hansen were the only successful aspirants to capture a frame out of the six which were played.

"CALL YOUR SHOTS!" The Staff boasts a clairvoyant. He can predict just where and how a quoit will land--if he throws it himself. For particulars concerning the next seance consult Derrill M. Daniel.

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ACCORDING to the latest reports from Rochester, the unofficial headquarters of the Station Staff will be "Rattlesnake Pete's".

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DR. RANKIN has joined the invalid list, being confined to his home with an attack of the grippe.

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WE ARE glad to report that the condition of Frank Moore which has been rather serious has begun to improve, and we hope that he will soon be as active as ever.

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DR. THATCHER returned Sunday morning from Washington where he attended a conference on the European Corn Borer.

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THE SOCIAL Committee is planning another Station card party. The date has not been definitely set, but it is expected that the party will take place the latter part of next week. Further particulars will appear later.

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PAUL PRICKETT was in Ithaca yesterday assisting Dr. Price in the judging of cheese made from pasteurized milk.

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DR. BREED will go to Ithaca tomorrow to attend a conference of the New York Veterinary Association.

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A RECENT publication on tomato catsup has been removed from the distribution list until further notice. There is one part of the article which is a bit too highly spiced for popular consumption, and while responsibility for the statement lies outside the Station, the authors feel a bit sensitive about having it appear under their names. A formula for making catsup was sent in by one of the manufacturers and it was not discovered until the bulletin came off the press that the company stenographer had interpreted ounces as pounds in the case of one of the ingredients. Since this spice happened to be garlic, it is thought wiser to make a correction in the formula before it appears in a Station bulletin.

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#### REQUIEM.

Fred and Foster went out hunting  
Birds, in Glenwood Cemetery,  
The sun was bright and shining,  
In this month of January.

They found a bird, a most remarkable one,  
With head so black, and wings all red,  
Its black eyes twinkled, sparkled with fun,  
"Ah! Out with the other dead ones," it said.