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THE EASTERN meeting of the State Horticultural Society convenes in Poughkeepsie next Wednesday, and will occupy the attention of several members of the Staff. The usual exhibit of apple varieties will be made in the State Armory under the able supervision of Messrs. Slate and Van Alstyne. A small exhibit of horticultural publications will also be on display. Mr. Shear, plant pathologist for the Hudson Valley Fruit Investigations will address the assembled growers on Wednesday afternoon on the subject of "Results in Use of Oil Sprays in the Hudson Valley" and on Thursday morning on the subject of "Removing Spray Residue from Fruit." Mr. Mundinger, entomologist for the Hudson Valley, will speak on the "Control of Hudson Valley Insects"; while Mr. Tukey, in charge of the horticultural work, will give an illustrated talk on "A Fruit Tour Through the Pacific Northwest" following a dinner Thursday evening, and on Friday will speak on "Rambles in Horticultural Research in the Hudson River Valley". Mr. Parrott is scheduled to appear on the program Wednesday afternoon to discuss "Important Insects and Spray Developments." Dr. Hedrick will also attend the meetings.

MESSAGES from Dr. and Mrs. Thatcher from Trinidad contain enthusiastic accounts of their trip. According to their schedule, they will sail from Havana for New York tomorrow, arriving sometime Monday. They will probably return to Geneva Wednesday. Miss Thatcher is planning to go to New York over the week-end and join them there.

WITH MISS Hogan's return to the office, Miss Horton withdrew for a siege with the prevailing malady. We are glad to report Miss Horton's complete recovery at this time, however, and trust that there will be no further "outbreaks".

THE STATION CLUB dance comes next Wednesday evening in Jordan Hall. Mr. Daniel states that there seems to be some uncertainty about inviting couples from outside the Station group and wishes to make it clear that those who desire to invite their friends are at liberty to do so.

DR. HUCKETT, entomologist at the Long Island Research Farm at Riverhead, spent the past two days at the Station reviewing plans for the coming season. Dr. Hockett has been in Ithaca for the past month and plans to return to Riverhead tonight.

DR. CONN is leaving tonight for Washington and New York on business in connection with the Commission on Biological Stains.

MR. HARMAN spent Monday and Tuesday of this week in Niagara County addressing groups of fruit growers on the control of the peach cottony scale, a new insect pest that has been giving considerable trouble the past two years.

THE MAILING DEPARTMENT is sending out the following publications at this time:

Tech. Bul. No. 122-- A Comparison of the Babcock, Gerber, and Roese-Gottlieb Methods for Determining the Percentage of Fat in Milk and Cream, by A. C. Dahlberg, G. E. Holm, and H. C. Troy.

Bul. No. 537-- Control of Seedbed Diseases of Cruciferous Crops on Long Island by the Mercuric Chloride Treatment for Cabbage Maggot, by E. E. Clayton.

Bul. No. 538-- The Preservative Action in Catsup of Salt, Sugar, Benzoate, and Acid, by C. S. Pederson and R. S. Breed.

Bul. No. 539-- Composition and Prices of Commercial Fertilizers in New York in 1926, by L. L. Van Slyke.

Bul. No. 540-- The Dwarfing, Shriveling, and Dropping of Cherries and Prunes, by W. O. Gloyer.

Bul. No. 541-- Responses of the Sour Cherry to Fertilizers and to Pruning in the Hudson River Valley, by H. B. Tukey.

Pop. Bul. No. 538-- Preventing Spoilage in Catsup.

Pop. Bul. No. 540-- "Small Cherry" in English Morello.

Miss Buchholz and Mrs. Aldrich are assisting with the mailing.

MRS. SAYRE just recently received a letter from Mrs. Hucker, written in Copenhagen. Mrs. Hucker told of some of their interesting experiences in Denmark and said that they were looking forward to a trip into Norway and Sweden.

WE ARE glad to note, too, that the Colonel reports that Mrs. Sayre is making steady progress toward recovery from her long illness.

FRIENDS of "Nate" True, one-time assistant chemist at the Station, received within the past few days an announcement of the arrival of Donald on January 26. Mr. True is now with the Meade-Johnson Company of Evansville, Ind.

THE STATION has another silver-medal cow. The American Jersey Cattle Club has awarded its silver medal for junior three-year olds to Jacoba Princess for her record of 481 pounds of butter fat in 10 months. This makes a record for recent years of 1 gold medal and 4 silver medals won by Station cows. The Station herd holds two State championships for the other Jersey cattle men in the State to shoot at.

THE DIRECTOR'S desk is undergoing renovation at the hands of Mr. Bowen, the versatile financial genius of the Staff, and will display that beautiful mahogany lustre that executives admire so much by the time the Director returns to his office.

DR. GLASGOW and Mr. Slate made a raid on the crows on the east side of the lake recently and brought down 39 of the pests with their rifles.

WE STRIVE to please, hence we are glad to correct an impression created in these columns last week which we are informed was incorrect. That is apropos of the cage in basement of the Biology Building. We are advised by "Bill" Lydon, and he should know, that the cage was not constructed not to keep anyone in but to keep the monkeys out!

THE rejuvenated Station pond is furnishing good sport to several folks about the Station who enjoy ice skating. The ice is now a little the worse for the warm weather.

THE QUOITS game Monday evening attracted a large and enthusiastic crowd. The match was the first of three meetings between teams captained by Andy Brown and Tommy Hogan. Andy's team won by 43 points. The line-up was as follows: Andy Brown, John R. Brown, Fisher, Hopkins, Sullivan, Gloyer, Traphagen, and Hefferon. For Hogan's team, Runga, Breitfeld, Snyder, Hoy, Corcoran, and Marquardt. The next engagement is set for next Monday evening.