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Geneva, N. Y.

SEVERAL dairy meetings are occupying the attention of various members of the Staff this week, all of the sessions occurring in Albany. The New York State Dairymen's Association meets today with Mr. Dahlberg presiding in his capacity as President of the Association. This is one of the oldest agricultural organizations in the State and is this year holding its fifty-first annual meeting. By coincidence, Dr. Van Slyke held the presidency of the Association in its twenty-fifth year and Mr. Dahlberg during the fiftieth year, with a second term the past year. Mr. Dahlberg will also preside at the annual meeting of the Jersey Cattle Club of which he is President. The State Agricultural Society will hold its meeting tomorrow and will be featured with an old-fashioned farm dinner with Governor Smith as the principal speaker of the evening.

DIRECTOR Morrison will speak before the State Dairymen's Association on increased efficiency in dairying. Other members of the Staff attending the Albany meetings include Mr. Hening, Dr. Breed, and Dr. Hucker.

MR DAHLBERG is planning to spend Thursday in Amherst, Mass., where he will confer with Prof. J. H. Frandsen, former editor of the Journal of Dairy Science, on matters pertaining to the editing of the Journal which Mr. Dahlberg has just taken over.

THE State Horticultural Society meetings in Rochester last week, while not as heavily attended as in years past, were regarded as highly successful by all who participated. The Station exhibits were well patronized and appeared to stimulate considerable interest. The fruit exhibit will be taken to Poughkeepsie for the Eastern meeting of the Society next month.

THE Director and Dr. Hedrick spent yesterday in Albany in a conference on budget matters. The Director, following his address before the Dairymen's Association, will go to Harrisburg, Pa., where he is scheduled to deliver three addresses in one day. He expects to return to Geneva Thursday.

MRS. "Mid" Moore is seriously ill at her home on West Street. Mr. Moore is expecting his mother to arrive in Geneva today.

IF YOU missed the smiling countenance of Col. Sayre during the past several days, the following list of speaking engagements will explain his absence from his desk. On Tuesday of last week he spoke to a group of superintendents of one of the large canning companies in Rochester; on Friday at a Farm Bureau meeting in Brant, Erie County; on Saturday at Oakfield, near Batavia; and on Monday of this week at Albion, Orleans County. Mr. Sayre will also appear on the program of the National Canners Association which holds its meeting in Chicago next week. Mrs. Sayre is planning to accompany him west and make a brief visit to her home in Champaign, Illinois.

"A NEW 'BREED'" is the title given to an illustration appearing in one of the Rochester papers which depicts our own Harry King displaying one of the Station's new apple varieties at the Horticultural Society meeting last week. Harry's friends offer several explanations of just what was meant by the caption, but the NEWS discards all of them as being tinged with jealousy. Only the "outstanding" men of the institution gain such recognition, as Dr. Glasgow and the Editor can testify, and we welcome Harry into that restricted group.

THE STATION CLUB is sponsoring a card party to be given in Jordan Hall on Friday, January 27. Please save the date! Mrs. Morgan Sweeney is in charge.

ALSO, the Station Club announces that an informal dance will be held, probably on February 17. Director and Mrs. Morrison have offered the use of their automatic orthophonic Victrola for the occasion. Mr. Gambrell is in charge of the dance and will have more definite information to give out later.

WE ARE indebted to Mr. Hall for the following summary of the weather, which goes to show that, so far as the Station records are concerned, the past week was the warmest second week in January on record, but that the first half of the month this year has not been as warm, as the average, in two previous years, viz., 1890 and 1913. Mr. Hall's figures follow:

Year	Average Temperatures	
	Second Week	First Two Weeks
1928 .....	38.1	31.2
1890 .....	30.2	34.8
1913 .....	26.2	32.7

WHO'S guilty? The following communication was received this morning:

I have written your Station twice asking a question but receive no reply. What's the trouble? E. C. Vick, 225 West 34th St., New York City.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture is requesting its employees to return empty ink bottles to the supply room. It is stated that the bottles cost twice as much as the ink, so the Department officials plan to fill little bottles out of big ones and effect an economy.