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IN THE EVENT that any one around the "State Farm" has failed to note the unusual activity of the past two days, we wish to state that tomorrow is the big day for the summer meeting of the State Horticultural Society and the visit from the delegates and others attending the sessions of the International Entomological Congress in Ithaca this week. Demonstrations of various sorts on the Station grounds and in the buildings will begin with the arrival of the first visitors, while the formal program on the lawn across from Jordan Hall is scheduled for 11:00 a. m. In the afternoon, the demonstrations will be repeated, and in addition, tours of the Station orchards and experimental plats will be in order, with special arrangements for entertainment of the children by the playground supervisors of Geneva. The entomologists will divide into three groups for formal sessions in Jordan Hall in the afternoon.

THE SPEAKERS of the day will be Edwin Smith, London marketing representative of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, who will discuss "New York State's Future in Apple Exports"; and Thomas B. Byrd of Winchester, Va., who will talk on "Our Common Interests in the Apple Industry". It is expected that several of the visiting entomologists will be called on to make a few remarks about horticultural conditions in their countries. Also, Dr. L. O. Howard, President of the Congress and formerly Chief of the Bureau of Entomology in Washington, will have a few words to say. The fruit growers and entomologists will be welcomed to the Station by Dr. Hedrick. Mr. M. C. Burritt of Hilton, President of the State Horticultural Society, will preside.

MR. BYRD, who is expected to arrive in Geneva tonight, is a brother of Commander Byrd, the Arctic explorer, and of Governor Byrd of Virginia. His interests are centered chiefly in the management of the extensive orchards around Barryville and Winchester, belonging to the Byrd family.

EXHIBITS by insecticide manufacturers will be located in Jordan Hall; corn borer control demonstrations will be held south of the Chemistry Building in a 2-acre corn field set aside for that purpose; and power spraying and dusting machinery will be in operation in the space just west of the dairy barn.

DR. HEDRICK asks that no Station cars be parked on the Station grounds tomorrow. The help of the State troopers has been requested to handle traffic, and all available space about the grounds will undoubtedly be needed for the visitors. It has been suggested that Station cars might be parked on Castle Street below the Director's residence or on West North Street.

THE LOCAL Chapter of the Red Cross, under the direction of Miss Mansfield, will set up a nursery and first aid room in the Director's office and adjoining rooms.

AS A feature of the entertainment of the entomologists who make the trip to Geneva, Mrs. Morrison, with the aid of the ladies of the Staff, has graciously undertaken to serve tea to the visitors on the lawn west of the Director's residence. Mr. Farrott has telephoned from Ithaca that by late yesterday afternoon it was certain that at least five hundred would make the trip from Ithaca.

SO MUCH for the Horticultural Society meeting which forms one of the pleasant and important contacts of the Station with its constituency.

THE ENTHUSIASMS of the genial director of the nursery investigations are well known to his friends, so it was not surprising that when nature, in her munificence, endowed his home with eight tiny springer spaniel pups that Harold should find it necessary to take a day off to celebrate. At least that is the way the story goes.

HERE'S ONE that should delight the youngsters. Perusing an article on ice cream in the French dairy science publication *Le Lait*, Mr. Dahlberg came across the statement that, "It (ice cream) is known by authorities as an excellent food for all; in America it is claimed as a good substitute for cod liver oil."

MR. AND MRS. Collison and Beverley returned to Geneva last Saturday following a six months' leave of absence during which time they made an extended trip through the Southwest to the Coast, returning by way of Canada and the Northwest. They traveled over 17,000 miles in all, and Mr. Collison has many interesting accounts of agricultural conditions in the West. He regards the high spots in his trip to be the time spent at Albuquerque in a visit to an extensive enterprise for the production of high-nicotine tobacco for insecticide purposes, similar to the project underway here, and a prolonged stay at the citrus experiment station at Riverside, California.

A COMMUNICATION FROM Director Morrison states that the Commission of which he is a member is having a most interesting experience. The proceedings opened with a series of meetings in Berlin addressed by agricultural leaders of Germany and members of the Government. These sessions covered a week and the Commission was "endeavoring to absorb data ad infinitum", writes Director Morrison. Following these sessions, the Commission was to start on a four-weeks' tour of Germany, then three weeks more in Berlin to prepare recommendations.

DR. LEON K. Jones has tendered his resignation as Associate in Research in Plant Pathology to accept an Assistant Professorship in Plant Pathology at Washington State College, Pullman, Washington. He will also be Assistant Plant Pathologist at the Washington Experiment Station. Dr. Jones, who has been at the Station for three years, has been engaged in a study of canning crops diseases. The Jones' expect to leave Geneva the latter part of this month, Dr. Jones entering upon his new duties on September 1. While we regret to see Dr. and Mrs. Jones leave Geneva, we extend congratulations and best wishes for success in their new undertaking.

DR. BREED spoke before the Geneva Kiwanis Club today on the World Dairy Congress and his recent trip abroad.

UNSETTLED weather failed to spoil the good time of some ninety Station folks at the Station Club picnic held on Dr. Hedrick's farm last Friday.

THE CHEMISTRY Division is well represented in the list of vacationists this week. "Mid" Moore has joined his family at Old Town, Maine; Mr. Clark and his family have journeyed to the ancestral home in Vermont for a brief stay; and Mr. and Mrs. Kokoski are vacationing in Massachusetts.

DR. W. E. Tottingham, of the University of Wisconsin and formerly a member of the Station Staff, was a recent visitor to the Station.

MR. SMALL, a graduate student in plant pathology at Ithaca, is assisting Mr. Stree-ter this summer in a study of spray and dust residues on fruit.

MR. MOHR joined Prof. Humm of the College of Agriculture on a week's automobile trip which will take them to several noted horticultural collections, including the Arnold Arboretum in Boston.

MR. L. R. Taylor, prominent grower of nursery stock near Topeka, Kansas, and Mr. Guy Yerkes, in charge of the nursery investigations of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, were recent visitors to the Station.

PROF. A. H. MacLennan, horticulturist, and Prof. Wm. Squirrel, agronomist, of Guelph, Ontario, Agricultural College, called at the Station today.

STATE FAIR material will begin to move to Syracuse the first of next week. Also, all sign work should be in the sign painter's hands by the last of this week.

THE LIBRARY reports the receipt of the mimeographed list of experiment station projects for 1927 as compiled by the Office of Experiment Stations.