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THE DIAMOND : Seventy-five years is a long period of time for any organization to
JUBILEE : function as actively as has the State Horticultural Society, and it
-----: seems entirely fitting that with the coming of the seventy-fifth
anniversary meeting some special effort should be made to mark the occasion. The
close contact of the Station with the horticultural interests of the State and the
participation of the Station in the exhibits and of members of the Staff on the pro-
gram in one capacity or another will result in the migration of a large number to
Rochester for part or all of the three-day session. In fact, several members of the
Staff have been in Rochester since Monday supervising the exhibits. Those taking
part in the program include Mr. Farrott who will discuss "The Present Status of Im-
portant Spray Problems"; Dr. Hedrick, who will give a historical sketch of the Soci-
ety; Mr. Daniel, who will lead an open discussion on the oriental peach moth; and
Mr. Wellington, who will discuss the pollination problem with respect to the pear and
small fruits. In addition, the entomologists will conduct a "Trouble Hour" at the
exhibit from 12:30 to 1:30 each day, while Mr. Hartzell will conduct demonstrations
with oils and other spray materials from 10 to 12 and 1 to 4 each day. Others in
attendance at the meeting in various capacities will include Mr. Munn, Dr. Rankin,
Mr. Streeter, Dr. Glasgow, Mr. Harman, Dr. Hervey, Mr. Gladwin, Mr. Howe, Mr. Slate,
Mr. Einset, Mr. Van Alstyne, Mr. Brase, Mr. Collison, Mr. Harlan, Mr. Lockett, Mr.
King, and Mr. Hopkins.

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EXHIBIT : The educational exhibits at the Horticultural Society meeting promise
FEATURES : to be somewhat more pretentious this year than in the past, and the
-----: College of Agriculture and the Station have combined forces in an effort
to show just how the two institutions serve the fruit grower. For this purpose, a
space 100 by 104 feet has been set aside for the combined exhibits of the Station and
College. As a central feature of this exhibit will be large collections of apple
varieties from the Station orchards illustrating varieties of seventy-five, fifty, and
twenty-five years ago in comparison with present-day varieties. There will be in the
neighborhood of 250 plates of apples in this exhibit with close to a hundred varieties,
in all. Brief notes have been prepared telling something about the history of each
variety and showing in the case of the old varieties why the variety has gone out of
commercial culture. Several of the Station's new seedlings will also be shown in
this part of the exhibit. Mr. Howe and Mr. Einset are responsible for this display.

Close by, Mr. Slate will have a collection of his filberts and in a show case,
carefully guarded, he will have a collection of early horticultural books and maga-
zines.

Also, centrally located will be an exhibit of apples from regions which compete
with western New York, including Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Ohio,
Michigan, New England, the Hudson River Valley, Canada, etc. Mr. Howe is assisting
with this exhibit.

The famous pyramid has been transported to Edgerton Park and will revolve (we
hope), with a gorgeous display of highly colored apples, arranged and supervised by
Mr. Van Alstyne.

Mr. Munn and representatives from the plant breeding department at the College
are arranging an exhibit of "Quality Seeds--What They Are." Next will come a com-
prehensive display by the College on the importance of pollination in the setting of
fruit, including a bee exhibit to emphasize the importance of bees in the orchard.

Mr. Harlan will be in charge of an exhibit dealing with orchard soil management,
and in the adjoining space Mr. Brase will have a well-worked-out exhibit on the
nursery stock investigations. The College will come next with a saw filing demon-
stration and demonstrations and talks on pruning and grafting. A joint publications
exhibit of the College and Station will afford an opportunity for visiting fruit
growers to obtain recent horticultural publications from the two institutions.

The entomologists, with practically all of the Division in attendance, will have
their usual display of important insect pests and types of injury, in addition to the
other features mentioned above. Exhibits showing how the spray service serves the
fruit grower will be arranged by the College, and next to this exhibit will be a
demonstration by Dr. Rankin and Mr. Streeter of the importance of fineness of sulfur
in spray and dust materials. The meetings and exhibits extend over three days,
beginning today.

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98 YEARS : Speaking of long and honorable service, mention should be made of the
OF AGE : approaching meeting of the State Agricultural Society which will hold
-----: its 98th annual meeting in Albany on Wednesday of next week. The
chief feature of this meeting is the "old-fashioned farm" supper which has become so
popular that the ticket sale is limited to the first four hundred applicants. Govern-
or Roosevelt, Secretary of Agriculture Arthur M. Hyde, Dr. Jordan, and others are
scheduled to appear on the program. Dr. Breed and others from the Station are plan-
ning to be present.

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THE JORDANS : It is a pleasure indeed to welcome Dr. and Mrs. Jordan back "home" to
HOME AGAIN : Geneva and the Station, and the opportunity afforded members of the
-----: Staff by Dr. and Mrs. Hedrick to visit with them at the tea Sunday
afternoon was thoroughly enjoyed by all who called. Dr. Jordan is in Rochester today
for the anniversary dinner tonight and will appear on the program tomorrow morning
to give an address on "The Agricultural Experiment Station," to which many are looking
forward with considerable interest.

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AN ANNIVERSARY : The perennial occurrence of the Horticultural Society meetings marks
FOR : another anniversary of interest to the Station as it was at the
THE DIRECTOR : 1905 meeting of that Society that Dr. Hedrick officially entered up-
-----: on his duties as a member of the Station Staff. For this and other
reasons, therefore, it is quite fitting that the "Chief" should have been asked to
serve as Toastmaster at the dinner tonight, and to participate in other ways at this
jubilee meeting.

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MR. PARROTT : The selection of Mr. Parrott by the Secretary of Agriculture to serve
GOES : on the newly created board on the Mediterranean fruit fly is a dis-
TO FLORIDA : tinct honor to "F.J." and to his work in this State. That Mr. Par-
-----: rott will be sorely missed at the Station goes without saying, but
he will leave with congratulations on the opportunities afforded by this new venture
and with every wish for an enjoyable and profitable sojourn in the South.

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MR. SHEAR : E. V. Shear, for the past several years in charge of the plant disease
RESIGNS : work of the Hudson Valley Fruit Investigations, has tendered his res-
-----: ignation effective April 1, to accept a position with the U. S. De-
partment of Agriculture in the Hood River Valley of Oregon. Mr. Shear has spent his
entire time with the Station at the Poughkeepsie Laboratory, ~~he~~ is not so well known
known to members of the Staff at Geneva as we might wish. Lately, he has been giving
special attention to the spray residue problem and a bulletin on the subject prepared
by him has just come from the printer. It is our hope that Mr. Shear will find his
new work and surroundings very much to his liking. It certainly sounds attractive.

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PRIVATE : Mr. Borg is assembling material for the bindery and has offered to
BINDING : take care of any private binding that may be wanted by members of the
-----: Staff. If such is wanted at this time, please get in touch with Mr.
Borg as soon as possible.

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STATE DAIRY-: The State Dairymen's Association, about which we shall have more to say
MEN TO MEET : next week, will hold its 53d annual meeting in Albany next Tuesday.
-----: Dr. Breed, Dr. Dahlberg, and Dr. Hucker have places on the program,
while other members of the Staff will probably attend the several sessions.

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PAY YOUR MONEY: We had to look this one up in the dictionary, but we find that it
AND TAKE YOUR : means "A dish of chopped meat, anchovies, eggs, onions, etc., mixed
CHOICE : and seasoned, hence any medley or miscellany." It is to be served up
-----: by the Station Club under the direction of Miss Maude Hogan next Mon-
day evening in Jordan Hall as a "Salmagundi Party", and if you like medleys you will
not want to miss this one.

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RECEIVES AWARD: As part of its celebration of its centennial year, the Massachusetts
-----: Horticultural Society designed a special centennial medal of which
100 were struck off, some in gold and some in silver. About half of these awarded
during 1929 to exhibitors at various shows sponsored by the Horticultural Society,
"Horticulture", the official organ of the Society, carries a list of recent awards of
the remainder of the medals in its January number. Among those receiving the silver
medal was Dr. Thatcher "for his distinguished service to horticulture in four states
--Washington, Minnesota, New York, and Massachusetts."