

The Station News

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DR. HEDRICK : Encouraging reports continue to come from the Clifton Springs Sani-
IMPROVING : tarium concerning Dr. Hedrick's condition. The word this morning is
-----: that he is much more comfortable and that the doctors are well satis-
fied with the progress he is making. Here are best wishes for a speedy and complete
recovery!

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SET THE : The date for "Dairy Day" has been set. The 1935 event is to be held on
DATE : Wednesday, August 21. This will be the fourth annual celebration of Dairy
-----: Day at the Station, and each year the response from dairy farmers and
others interested in the work of the Station has been most gratifying. Last year's
attendance was well over 2,000. While details of the program are yet to be worked
out, one of the features will doubtless be a dairy cattle judging contest for 4-H
club boys and girls and for students in vocational agricultural courses in high
schools which proved quite popular last year and was used as an elimination contest
for the State Fair. With the 1935 State Fair beginning on August 25, Dairy Day will
provide an excellent stepping stone for judging contests.

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INTERESTED IN : Dr. H. P. Barss, formerly head of plant pathology at the Oregon
PLANT PATHOLOGY : Experiment Station and now with the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture
-----: Office of Experiment Stations in Washington, spent Saturday at
the Station completing a survey begun last summer of the plant disease work in pro-
gress here. Dr. Barss had spent most of the preceding week in the Department of
Plant Pathology at Ithaca.

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STUDYING : Dr. R. A. Diehm is spending a week or ten days at the Station study-
CLARIFICATION : ing enzyme clarification of fruit juices. Dr. Diehm is associated
-----: with Dr. J. J. Willaman of the Rohm and Haas Company at Bristol, Pa.

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A BIBLIO-FILM : Here is something new under the sun--a bibliographic service on
SERVICE : film strip just recently inaugurated by the U. S. Department of Ag-
-----: riculture. The idea of photographing scientific articles and sup-
plying the film in place of reprints or of the journal itself has been a subject of
discussion in Science and elsewhere for some time. Now the Department of Agriculture
Library has taken the matter up in earnest and is offering this service to U. S.
workers free of charge with a nominal fee for outsiders. For the present, the cost
is 10 cents for each article not exceeding 10 pages in length, and 5 cents for each
additional 10 pages, or fraction, of the same article. The product distributed by
the Department's Biblio-Film Service is to be known as "filmstat". Just now the only
hitch in the process is the development of a suitable projector for reading the film-
stat. A magnification of about 10 times is required for easy reading and this can be
obtained, of course, thru small magnifiers, but these are not wholly satisfactory.
At least one laboratory supply house is working on a projector by which the filmstat
may be projected onto a ground glass screen so that one sitting in front of the screen
may read the filmstat as tho it were a page of printed matter held in a similar posi-
tion. Miss Rogers has considerable detailed information about the Biblio-Film Ser-
vice and the projector, all of which is on file in the Library.

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UNDER- : Mr. Gainey and Mr. Pederson, the nightwatchman, have traded jobs for a
STUDIES : brief period in the first of a series of temporary shifts among the men
-----: who care for the Station buildings by day and by night in order that all
may become familiar with the requirements for these different jobs. The duties of
the nightwatchmen have become much more complicated recently, particularly with the
new greenhouses to watch up on cold nights, and it is deemed advisable to have under-
studies available in case of need.

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AN OPEN : The Bacteriology Division announces an open seminar to be held in the
SEMINAR : Staff room in Jordan Hall at 3:30 p.m. next Wednesday when Mr. E. A.
-----: Beavens will speak on the topics of "Spontaneous Combustion in Agricultural
Products" and "The Electrosilver Method for the Sterilization of Liquids." As noted
in last week's NEWS, Mr. Beavens is from the Bureau of Chemistry and Soils and has
been assigned to work here on fruit juice problems for the next few weeks. The sem-
inar next week is open to anyone interested in the subjects to be discussed.

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MORE WORK : According to word from Albany the Legislature has passed two special
WITH HOPS : bills affecting the Station, one providing for an appropriation of
-----: \$5,000 for the continuation of the hops investigations begun last year,
and one for \$3,500 for the study of the corn ear worm on Long Island. Both bills now
go to the Governor.

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WILL REPRESENT : Vice-Director Parrott will be in New York City the latter part of
THE STATION : this week to attend a conference of representatives of northeastern
-----: experiment stations called by Dr. J. T. Jardine, Chief of the Office
of Experiment Stations.

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FARM BUREAU : County Farm Bureau meetings continue to demand the attention of sev-
MEETINGS : eral of the Station "specialists". Mr. Hartzell, Dr. Tukey, and Mr.
-----: Harman were called out last week, and this week the list includes Mr.
Parrott, Dr. Horsfall, and Mr. Sayre.

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CHEMISTS : A precipitating process is under way among the Station chemists which
CONSOLIDATE : when completed, will result in a greater consolidation of the chem-
-----: istry work under one roof than now prevails. The first steps in the
operation comprise the moving of Mr. Beattie and Mr. Jenkins into the Chemistry
Building as soon as quarters can be prepared for them. The change will not affect
their present research activities materially.

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JUST UN- : The two following publications arrived from the printer's yesterday:
PACKED :
-----: Tech. Bul. No. 226. The Manufacture of Cream Cheese by the
Geneva Method. A. C. Dahlberg and J. C. Marquardt.

Circ. No. 157. The Herb Garden. G. P. Van Eseltine.

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PAPERS : Despite clamor about scientific journals being over-crowded, word was re-
WANTED : ceived at the Station the other day that the Journal of Agricultural Re-
-----: search is looking for manuscripts. This information is contained in a
letter to Dr. Hedrick from Dr. Fletcher of Pennsylvania State College who handles
all experiment station contributions for the Journal. Prompt publication is assured
those who have papers ready to submit at this time, according to Dr. Fletcher.
