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QUALITY IF : The first reaction to the attendance figures on Dairy Day was one of
NOT QUANTITY : dismay and disappointment, but as the day passed and the program of
-----: events took their proper place in the day's proceedings with precision
and snap, there was a feeling that while the crowd was not the largest on record it
manifested more real interest in what it saw and heard here last Wednesday than have
many other larger gatherings. In other words, it was possible to give the visitors
the individual attention that is seldom possible with a big crowd. One particular
gratifying response was the presence of 33 high school groups with 142 contestants in
the dairy cattle judging contest and 7 4-H groups with 26 contestants. The National
Farm and Home Hour broadcast came up to expectations as the outstanding event of the
day, "Bill" Drips, the NBC program director for agriculture, and Morse Salisbury both
expressed themselves as well pleased with broadcast and intimated that it would be
agreeable to them to make it an annual affair. Do date 300 requests for bulletins
offered over this broadcast have been received from widely scattered parts of the
country. Certainly the 1935 Dairy Day can be put down as another red letter day for
the Station.

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DR. ARTHUR : Dr. J. C. Arthur, Professor Emeritus at Purdue University and botanist
RETURNS : at the Station from 1884 to 1887, called here last Thursday to look over
-----: the scene of his early activities. He was attending the meetings of the
Mycological Society in Ithaca where he was honored for his extensive contributions on
the rust diseases of plants. Dr. Arthur did not mince words when he expressed his
opinion of the changes that had been made in "modernizing" what is now the Entomology
Building and what was the Station's only laboratory building in his day. In his
opinion it should have been retained in its original state as an historic monument to
early experiment station work.

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WENT TO : Mr. Van Eseltine spent several days last week in the U. S. Dept. of
WASHINGTON : Agriculture Library checking references for use in the forthcoming book
-----: on cucurbits.

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WE STAND : With reference to judges at the State Fair this week, we should have
CORRECTED : stated that Mr. Tapley is judging the commercial vegetable exhibits and
-----: that Mr. Enzie is judging the 4-H Club vegetable exhibits. Both are
full-time jobs. Mr. Van Alstyne was called upon at the last minute to judge the 4-H
fruit exhibits.

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TALKED : Mr. and Mrs. Marquardt journeyed to Derby, N. Y., last Sunday to attend the
ON GOATS : pre-season showing of livestock in the indoor riding hall on the estate of
-----: Mrs. Stuart Mann. At a noon luncheon held on the estate of Mrs. H. H.
Coil, Mr. Marquardt spoke briefly on the first national Goats' Milk scoring contest,
which he directed.

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HORTICULTURAL : Dr. Tukey is contributing a paper to the XIth International Horticul-
CONGRESS : tural Congress to be held in Rome in September on artificial culture
-----: of embryos in relation to fruit breeding.

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EXAMINED : A party of about thirty persons including agricultural editors from a
EDITORIALLY : dozen states and their families visited the Station last Friday follow-
-----: ing the annual meeting of the American Association of Agricultural
College Editors at Cornell the three preceding days. The registration at Cornell was
about fifty, and the meeting proved highly successful in every way. Entries made by
the Station in two of the six classes of competitive exhibits staged as part of the
conference were awarded second place for their classes. One was in the technical
bulletin class and the other in the periodical class. The bulletin selected was Dr.
Gambrell's publication on the spruce gall aphid, and of course the periodical was
Farm Research.

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ANOTHER : The Station mariners, Court Hening and Karl Brase, annexed second place in
SECOND : the "star races" of the Central New York Yacht Racing Association held on
-----: Skaneateles Lake recently. They also competed in the 12th District Star
Championship races on Keuka Lake.

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MR. MUNN ON : Mr. Munn made a four-day trip last week which included a conference
THE ROAD : with seed law enforcement officials in Albany, a visit to the Seed
-----: Laboratory at Massachusetts State College, and the annual convention
of the National Vegetable Growers Association at Hartford, Conn., where he spoke on
"Vegetable Seed Quality". He also visited the seed laboratory and trial grounds of
the Associated Seed Growers at Milford, Conn.

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ON LEAVE : Dr. and Mrs. Carpenter leave this weekend for California. Dr. Carpenter
-----: has been asked to lecture on protein chemistry during his "leave" at the
California Institute of Technology where he is to study the X-ray spectra of proteins.
The Carpenters are driving West and plan several stops enroute, one at Yellowstone.
Here some good fishing is anticipated by one who is justly acclaimed "a real angler".
Our best wishes for a pleasant and profitable journey.

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EAST MEETS : The Station's Hudson Valley experts, Dr. Chapman and Dr. Hamilton are in
WEST : Niagara County today to meet with Mr. Reed who has been working with the
-----: Station fruit projects in that county all summer. They are inspecting
the codling moth investigations in the several orchards which are under the general
supervision of Mr. Harman.

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FROM THE : Dr. B. A. Porter, Associate Chief of the Section of Deciduous Fruit
U. S. D. A. : Insects, is here today from Washington, D. C., to confer with Prof.
-----: Parrott concerning the National program for codling moth research.
While here Dr. Porter will meet with Dr. Collins on his cooperative light project in
relation to the codling moth.

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FROM THE : Reports from the "Station at the Fair" are good. "The Crown Prince" re-
FAIR : sented at first not being able to wander at will and see things he wanted
-----: to see but settled down shortly to be admired. The trained fruit trees,
the fruit, the maraschino cherries, fertilizer placement for vegetable crops, feeding
stuffs, the watchful electric eye, the milk sampling and mastitis, hops, copper oxide
spray, and the transparencies from the Entomology Division were all in place for the
opening and the general layout shows off as well as possible the varied activities
represented. To bring together in as small a space so many widely divergent lines of
work and still make a display pleasing to the eye as well as instructive is no mean
task. In addition to this the whole must line up with the general plan of exhibit
for the entire building. Mr. Luckett, of course, is the coordinator and generally in
charge. Those taking charge of the several exhibits this year include Mr. Van Alstyne,
Mr. Walsh, Karl Brase, Mr. Hofer, Dr. Horsfall, Dr. Lovelace, Dr. Yale, Mr. Eglinton,
Mr. Sayre, Mr. Tapley, Mr. Harlan, Mr. Hartzell and Mr. Hening. Others from the staff
will take turns for a day or so.

By the way, Mr. Harlan was called to Dover, New Jersey, Monday p.m., on account
of the death of an Aunt but expected to be back at his exhibit on Wednesday.

The crowd the first day was a little slim but all indications point to a pick-up
as the week goes on.

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FROM : Mr. Jorgensen conducted another tour of Station visitors on Monday
PENNSYLVANIA : afternoon when about fifty fruit growers arrived from Pottsville, Pa.,
-----: to see the fruit and vegetable breeding work under way here. They
were in charge of their County Agent, Mr. Bollinger and are making a five day tour
enroute to the Fair at Toronto.
