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"NEWNESS" WAS POPULAR

The State Agricultural Society held one of the most successful meetings of its 105 sessions in Albany last week, when under Dr. Hedrick's guidance as President the program was directed along the lines of new things in farming. His own Presidential address on "New Crops for Old Lands" was very well received, as were the series of papers that followed thruout the day. The citation of ten "Century Farmers" by Governor Lehman at the dinner proved to be one of the high spots in the meeting. Assemblyman Millard Davis of Kerhonkson was elected President of the Society for the coming year.

SHRUBS IN BLOOM

Another good meeting was held at Kingston last week when the eastern section of the State Horticultural Society held a three-day program and show. One of the chief items of conversation was the weather. In some sections of the Valley the season has been so mild that certain shrubs were actually in bloom last week.

THEY LIKE THE BULLETINS

A summary of the number of bulletins and circulars distributed at the three meetings held last month shows that folks like to read bulletins. At Syracuse at the meeting of the State Vegetable Growers Association and the New York State Food Show, a total of 1,850 Station publications were taken away, practically a clean sweep of all copies that were taken to the meeting. At Rochester the count ran to 3,850 copies and at Kingston to 3,075.

CHEMISTS CLUB TONIGHT

The Geneva Chemists Club will meet in Coxe Hall at Hobart this evening at 8:00 p.m., when Dr. Walter Clark of the Eastman Kodak Company will speak on "Photography in Colors".

A WINTER FLOWER SHOW

The Geneva Garden Club is planning a winter flower show to be held in the rooms formerly occupied by the "Hob'n Nob" on South Main Street. The show will be open from 1:00 to 9:00 on Friday and from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Saturday of this week. The exhibits will include still-life pictures in combination with plants; winter bouquets of evergreen or dried material; spring flowering bulbs; forced spring shrubs; and cactus. Admission will be free and the public is cordially invited to view the displays.

A HOBART LECTURE

Members of the Station Staff and their friends have received an invitation thru the Lecture Committee at Hobart College to attend a lecture in Coxe Hall next Sunday evening, February 7, at 8:15 by Dr. Rene Breguet, neuro-psychiatrist at the Elmira State Reformatory, on the subject of "Those Criminals, Who Are They?" Dr. Breguet has been at the Elmira institution for the past five years and during that time has made a close study of the life history of 4,000 inmates; he undoubtedly knows where he speaks.

LEAVE AUTHORIZED

At a recent meeting of the Agricultural Council sabbatic leave for six months was granted Dr. C. S. Pederson. Dr. Pederson will spend the first two months of this period in studying sugar spoilage problems encountered in a large sugar mill in Cuba. In a way this is a continuation of sugar spoilage studies carried on here by Dr. Pederson and Dr. Hucker in the past. Dr. Pederson also stopped off in Harrisonburg, Va., long enough to solve certain difficulties experienced by a milk plant in that city. Carl is accompanied by Mrs. Pederson and Donald and may be reached thru the American Express Company, Havana, Cuba, for the next few weeks. His plans call for visits to several experiment stations in this country later on.

OTHER ITEMS OF BUSINESS

The Council also recorded severance of relations between the Station and Dr. J. J. Kucera, the latter having taken up work in Checkoslovakia. Dr. Lovelace has been transferred to Dr. Kucera's position in dairy chemistry and Dr. Lee transferred to Dr. Lovelace's item. A new appointment in Chemistry will be announced soon. The appointment of Joe Moore as an assistant in the Entomology Division to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Dr. Reed was also confirmed.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Dr. Hedrick has made the following committee appointments, effective at once: The Library Committee, Dr. Tressler, Chairman, Dr. Breed, and Mr. Parrott. Committee on Post-Graduate Work, Dr. Breed, Chairman, Dr. Chapman, and Dr. Tressler.

ANOTHER LADIES PARTY

The committee in charge of the February party for the Ladies Auxiliary of the Station Club issues the following statement about plans for a party next Wednesday afternoon, February 10, which may be considered an official invitation, hence everyone should consider herself properly invited herewith. The party will be held at the Director's residence at 3:00 o'clock and each one is asked to bring one undressed valentine. It is stated, however, that the valentine box will be of such capacity that anyone desiring to "stuff" it with sentimental or other messages to some particular guest will be amply provided for.

IN ORLEANS COUNTY

Mr. Herman is participating in two two-day schools for fruit growers in Orleans County this week. He speaks at Murray on Tuesday and Wednesday and at Lyndonville on Thursday and Friday.

FROM THE TRAVELERS

Much of our correspondence these days comes from members of the Staff who are traveling in more or less distant parts of the world. A letter from Mr. Parrott written at Clarensville, South Africa, tells of still further interesting adventures on his trip. Up to that time (December 26) he had not seen any signs of wild life, but he adds, "There are, however, plenty of mosquitoes, flies, cockroaches, and ants, the latter the Argentine ant, is a terrible pest in both homes and hotels, and every morning I have to battle with the creatures since they persist in getting into the marmalade." Mr. Parrott was leaving the next day for the east side of the Cape and the North. He plans to go to Naples and Rome and to take a boat at Genoa for America, arriving in New York about April 23. In two cards from Mr. Stewart, he continues to enthuse on life in a trailer and tells of arriving at St. Petersburg where they have taken up their residence for two weeks at the Orange Blossom Trailer Camp. Then a letter from Dr. Dahlberg tells of ocean bathing with the water at 74 or 75 degrees and other delights of their stay in West Palm Beach. During the week of February 8, Dr. Dahlberg is to deliver a series of lectures on dairy research, past and present, here at Geneva before dairy students at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

ON THE MEND AGAIN

We are pleased to be able to report that after a discouraging set back, Dr. Carpenter is once more making good progress toward recovering and this time we hope there will be no detours on the route out of the hospital.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY

Vic Hopkins had the unique experience of being mistaken for "The Reverend" who was to open the meeting at Kingston last week. Vic had gone into the hall for the opening session and was at once "recognized" by the chair and asked to do the honors. When he explained that he was not the one they were looking for, the chairman remarked that he looked like a preacher anyway.
