



STATION ★ NEWS



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OFFICIAL OBSERVERS

The Station was ably represented at the Western New York Apple Blossom Festival in Brockport last Saturday by a delegation headed by Dr. Hedrick and including Dr. Tukey, Mr. Jahn, and the Editor; and while this group was not consulted on the choice of the Apple Blossom Queen, the final decision was, of course, acceptable to all concerned and the whole affair, aided by ideal weather, was a marked success. Interest on the part of the Station observers centered chiefly on acquiring ideas for 1938 in the event that the Festival is held at the Station.

PLANS VISIT HERE

Dr. Victor Nef, Consul-General of Switzerland, who did the honors at Brockport as sole judge in selecting the Apple Blossom Queen, is much interested in fruit growing and expressed his intention of coming to the Station sometime in June to gain first-hand information on several aspects of the business.

WILL TOUR THE GROUNDS

Included in the program of the forty-second annual convention of the New York State Council of the Knights of Columbus which gets under way here in Geneva on Friday of this week, is a tour of the Experiment Station Saturday afternoon. Presumably, in view of the limited time allotted to this part of the program, the tour will consist of an inspection of the grounds only.

AT THEIR BEST

We believe we have never seen the Station grounds look better than they do just now. While the too frequent rains may have played havoc with planting schedules and farm work in general, they have brought on an abundance of bloom and luxuriant growth and the rock gardens, shrubs, and lawns are a delight to the eye. The Station's own private lilac show is also approaching perfection and in Mr. Van Alstyne's opinion will be at its best this week.

MONDAY A HOLIDAY

With Decoration Day coming on Sunday and with Monday a holiday, announcement is made that the Milk Room will be closed all day Sunday but will be open Monday morning from 8:30 to 9:30.

A LONG WAY FROM HOME

The 1937 catalog of L. P. Rosen & Son of Carlingford, New South Wales, Australia, just received here, lists four of the Station's new apples, namely, Early McIntosh, Medina, Milton, and Orleans.

HEADS THE LIST

Owlrest's Alice, one of the Station's silver medal cows, heads the list for New York State in the most recent Register of Merit published by the American Jersey Cattle Club for cows producing fifty pounds or more of butter fat within the period of one month. Alice at nine years of age gave 83.21 pounds of fat for the period covered by the record and appears to be headed for still higher honors.

EXPECTED THIS WEEK

Mrs. Walter Reed is expected to arrive in Geneva this week for a stay of two weeks or thereabouts when she will assist in assembling data in the Bacteriology Division.

THESE ARE MISSING

The Librarian asks that the following be returned to the Library if found in your files:

- Soil Science for 1935 (Bound Vols. 39 and 40).
- Jour of Pomology & Hort. Science, Vol. 13, No. 4; and Vol. 14, No. 3.
- Botanical Review, Vol. 2, No. 12.

A "PILGRIMAGE"

The Geneva Historical Society will conduct a tour to the Cayuga Museum of History and Art in Auburn and to the Indian excavations at Levana near Cayuga Lake next Saturday afternoon. The plan calls for the party to assemble at the Museum in Auburn where the Director of the Museum will discuss a special exhibit of costumes on display this month. The party will then drive to Levana, a distance of about 15 miles from Auburn, to examine remains of an Algonquin Indian village which has been uncovered there. The tour is open to all interested persons whether members of the Society or not.

CONGRATULATIONS!



Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Hayward who were married in Ithaca last Saturday. Mrs. Hayward, formerly Miss Izilda Jardin, graduated from Cornell in 1935. Dr. Hayward has just recently joined the Station Staff after completing graduate work at Cornell. Mrs. Hayward returned to Dartmouth, Mass., where she is employed, and will join Dr. Hayward late in June.

CONFERRED ON MILK GRADES

Dr. J. J. Regan, Mr. H. J. Kershaw, and Mr. J. L. Hileman, all of the Dairymen's League; Dr. William H. Park, formerly Director of the New York City Public Health Research Laboratory; and Dr. W. L. Carr, Secretary of the New York Medical Milk Commission, conferred with members of the Division of Bacteriology, Monday, upon a proposed survey of the relative quality of Grade A and Grade B milk.

COMPLETES INSPECTION

Dr. Youngblood of the Office of Experiment Stations, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, was delayed in reaching the Station and did not begin his inspection of the work in progress here under the various federal appropriations until Monday morning, completing his task yesterday afternoon.

SCHOOL VISITORS

Classes in agriculture from Hamilton and Hannibal, N. Y., high schools visited the Station the past week, together with a group of students in entomology from Cornell who came up to the Station to see at first hand how entomological research is conducted.

PIGS TAILS

The Director is in a quandry, and naturally, has turned to the NEWS for aid. In his mail yesterday was a letter from a radio broadcaster appealing to him for authoritative information they curl clockwise or pigs on the Station farm Director consulted his got very little satisfac- opinion being that pigs to amount to anything ex- weather, but accurate information on this important point will be welcomed in the Director's office.



on the curling of pigs tails. Do anti-clockwise? Not having any to appeal to in his dilemma, the brain trust in Jordan Hall but tion, the general consensus of tails didn't curl in any direction cept in nursery books and in wet

SCIENCE WRITERS

The much-coveted Pulitzer award for reportorial work for 1937, given for "the most distinguished example of reporter's work", was divided between five science feature writers in connection with newspaper accounts of the recent tercentenary celebration at Harvard University. Those receiving the award include H. W. Blakeslee, Science Editor for the Associated Press; W. L. Laurence of the New York Times; David Dietz of Scripps-Howard; G. B. Lal of Universal Service; and J. J. O'Neill of the New York Herald-Tribune. This is the second time that this particular award has gone to science reporting, but one does not have to boast so very many winters to recall when the news of science was either entirely neglected by the press or was the butt of facetious and misleading stories. The increasing importance of science as news and the intelligent and admirable way in which it is treated in all reputable newspapers today promises much for the future of scientific research.
