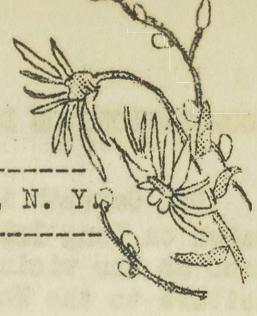


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THE HORSFALLS LEAVING

The resignation of Dr. Horsfall as Chief in Research in the Division of Plant Pathology to accept the position of Head of the Department of Plant Pathology and Botany at the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station at New Haven, effective July 1, has been officially announced. Dr. Horsfall joined the Station staff in February, 1929, as a special investigator for disease problems of canning crops. In extending congratulations to Jim on this major advance and well-earned recognition, we must at the same time express our regret and that of the entire community over the loss of Dr. and Mrs. Horsfall and the children from the Station group. However, New Haven is not so very far away and there will doubtless be many occasions for conferences and weekends in Geneva--at least we sincerely hope so. The best of luck and good wishes for every success in the new job!

WHY WE HAVE A VICE-PRESIDENT

Who is the Vice-President of the Experiment Station Club? Dr. Horsfall, as all know, is the President, but our inquiring reporter was unable to find any voter who could give him the name of the Vice-President who will automatically take over the President's job. A search of the records reveals that our genial Jules Marquardt was elevated to that important post last fall and will become "President" in July.

AN UNEXPECTED TREAT

Thru the efforts of Dr. Breed, the Staff had the privilege yesterday afternoon, of hearing Dr. Sam Higginbottom of the Allahabad Agricultural Institute, Allahabad, India, discuss agricultural conditions in India.

SPRING IN THE SEED LAB

Interviewed as to signs of spring in the Seed Laboratory, Mr. Munn had this to say, "In the Seed Division we do not need to see and experience spring weather to know that spring is here. The number of seed samples tells us that and a check up of figures shows that we are considerably ahead of the record number of last year at this same date. Already we have gone above 12,000 samples since July 1 last. There surely are a lot of optimists about the State. The interesting thing is that each year when there is an economic depression or stress about the country, it is reflected in an increased demand on the part of farmers for additional information or testing service. They want better seed stocks, do not want to take any chances, and are inclined to play safe."

HOMES FOR ROYALTY

The Apple Blossom Festival Committee is looking for homes for the QUEENS! Plans call for the nine county queens and the reigning queen selected last year to come to Geneva Friday evening, May 12, for preliminary festivities that evening. It is hoped that these girls, with their chaperon, probably mother, can be entertained overnight and for breakfast Saturday morning in the homes of members of the Staff. Do you have to ask your wife if you can have a queen in your home? Are you a man or a mouse? Let us sign you up and find out. Just call 3-6 and say "We'll take a queen!" The committee will do the rest.

OVER 400 DAIRYMEN

Dr. Hucker addressed the Central New York Dairy Breed Associations at a joint banquet at the Drumlins Country Club last night with over 400 present. The dairy work of the Experiment Station was the theme of his remarks.

ACCOMODATIONS ON LONG ISLAND

Dr. Carruth is on one of his frequent trips to the Corn Ear Worm Laboratory near Roslyn on Long Island and expects upon his return to have full information on two homes in the vicinity of the Laboratory where rooms will be available this summer for visitors to the World's Fair. Advance notices sound attractive and reasonable.

DEAN PRESCOTT

Dean S. C. Prescott of M. I. T. is visiting the Station today. Dean Prescott is interested primarily in food research and is one of the Associate Editors of the journal of FOOD RESEARCH. It was in his laboratory in Boston back in 1910 that Dr. Breed did much of the early work upon which is based the method known as the "direct microscopic method" for counting bacteria, now used thruout the world.

DR. ANDERSON HERE

Dr. R. J. Anderson, formerly head of the Division of Biochemistry here and now engaged in biochemical research at Yale, paid a brief visit to the Station Tuesday.

TO GROW PYRETHRUM

Dr. A. F. Sievers of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture will be at the Station on Friday to arrange for a small experimental planting of pyrethrums in this region. For the benefit of the uninitiated, pyrethrum is used extensively in the powdered state as an insecticide.

DISCUSSED GRAPES

Mr. Philip Wagner, associate editor of the Baltimore SUN, called on Mr. Wellington recently to discuss grapes. Mr. Wagner is the author of a book on the subject of wine grapes.

HERE AT LAST

Apparently winter has turned the corner and spring has arrived in Geneva--at least for a day or two. Work on the canning crops farm actually got under way yesterday, that is plowing, and the first planting of peas will be made tomorrow--weather permitting. This is the latest planting date for many years, in some seasons the first planting of peas having come as early as April 5.

SPOKE IN BOSTON

Mr. Slate addressed the Massachusetts Horticultural Society in Horticultural Hall in Boston last Friday on the subject of "Lilies and How to Grow Them".

SANITARY REGULATIONS

Dr. J. R. Sanborn is in New York today for a conference with the City Department of Health on sanitary regulations governing paper milk containers and paper milk bottle caps and gaskets.

ALSO DISCUSSED REGULATIONS

Dr. Breed was in New York City last Thursday also for a conference with the City Department of Health. He is a member of an advisory committee on food and milk regulations and is one of the two members of the committee who are called in from outside the City.
