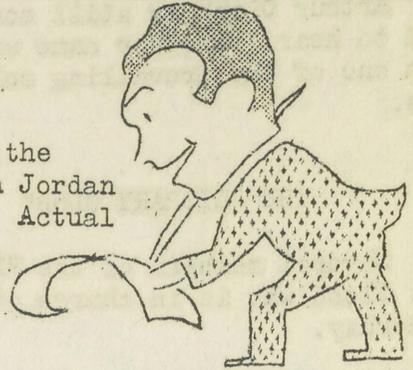


CENSUS TAKERS

We have with us this week some 250 census takers from the 36th Congressional District who are using the auditorium in Jordan Hall for a three-day school on the technic of enumeration. Actual work on the census will get underway next week.



SNOWED UNDER

The first meeting of the 1940 edition of the Ontario County Apple Blossom Festival Committee called for Monday afternoon in the Director's office was somewhat short of attendance on account of the drifting snows thruout the county. The chairman, Mr. Charles Wilson of Hall, was completely snowbound and reported by 'phone that he never appreciated before just how a woodchuck must feel, while an expected delegation from Shortsville never arrived. With the reigning County Queen residing in Shortsville that community will probably be the scene of the 1940 Ontario County Festival in May.

"NOT HURRYING NORTH"

Thus does Mr. Stewart conclude a recent communication from Daytona Beach, Florida. "Spring has really arrived," he writes, adding that he expected to start for Geneva about the first of April unless "winter retains its grip on the North". "Grip" is putting it mildly, Mr. Stewart, winter has a stranglehold, at least on Ontario County, and if one has a good excuse to dally in the sunny South he is lucky indeed.

LAST CAR THRU

Dr. McNew braved the blasts of last Monday to keep an appointment to speak on tomato diseases before a group of tomato growers assembled at East Williamson by the Fruit Belt Preserving Company of that place. Coming home on the Lyons road his was the last car thru, and that with considerable help from snow plow crews. Karl Oswald started for his home in Stanley after work Monday night, but thought better of the venture a short distance out of town and returned to Geneva for the night.

ON HIS WAY BACK

Dr. J. M. Hamilton is on his way back to Geneva and his investigations of fruit tree diseases following a leave of absence which he has used chiefly to observe spraying operations in the South. Jim is reported to be returning home by way of Princeton, N. J., and Poughkeepsie and is due at the Station the first of the month.

DR. HEDRICK BETTER

Encouraging reports are coming from Clifton Springs Sanitarium regarding Dr. Hedrick. Altho the "No Visitors" sign is still hanging on the door to his room, he has made substantial gains over last week.

"BETTER NEW YORK HOPS"

This name has been selected by Mr. Harlan for a little mimeographed circular to be issued whenever material is available of special interest to New York State hop growers. The first two numbers of Volume 1 appeared recently, the first number being devoted to a discussion by Mr. Harlan of a variety test in progress at the Station's expermental hop yard at Waterville, and the second number to a report by Dr. Magie on the control of hop grubs and recent information on hop diseases.

RECUPERATING

Arthur Clark is still confined to his home, but is gradually improving, we are glad to hear. Another name was added to our sick list when Fred Hartzell came down with one of the prevailing colds and has been confined to his home for the past few days.

THE "LIBRARY CLUB"

Several members of the "Library Club" of the Geneva High School, accompanied by Mrs. Flood who is in charge of the High School library, made a tour of the Station yesterday.

WEDDING BELLS IN CANADA

Miss Barbara Burgess of Ottawa, Canada, and Doug Greenwood of the Entomology Division were married in Ottawa last Monday and will make their home in the Brooks' apartments on Castle Street. Our congratulations and best wishes! Mrs. Greenwood is a niece of Dr. Hervey and the Herveys set out bravely for the wedding only to be turned back by the storm.

REVAMPING THE EXHIBIT

Exhibitors at the World's Fair are bringing the World of Tomorrow up-to-date and this morning Mr. Lockett left for Flushing Meadows to do a bit of brushing up on the Station's exhibit in the New York State Building. The exhibit will stand substantially as of last year, but some of the captions must be brought up to date and a new set of cultures put in place in the bacteriological exhibit, made possible thru cooperation of Dr. Pederson on a rush order. A few other minor changes will put the Station display in readiness for the 1940 opening on May 11.

TWO FIRSTS

Camera fans at the Station did well in the recent competition sponsored by the local Camera Club. Dr. Hervey won a first in the portrait class with a beautiful picture of Mary and her Grandmother, while Mark Ford picked up a first in the miscellaneous class and a second in both the class for action pictures and in the landscape class. Mr. Harlan won honorable mention in the class for animal pictures and Mr. George Chase honorable mention in the portrait class.

MEET JOHN STEWART

Congratulations, Dr. and Mrs. Avens, on the arrival of John Stewart!

OLD 299

We had a shock the other day when we went into the remodelled post office building and found that not only was Box 299 no longer assigned to the Station, but that it no longer exists. Growing more sentimental as we grow older, we couldn't help but feel a pang or two of regret--also we hated to have to learn a new number. Inquiry from Mr. Newton revealed that box 299 had been used for the Station mail as long as he could recall--and that carries it back quite a ways. He felt sure that it antedated Dr. Jordan's coming to the Station in 1896. Oh, yes, the new P. O. Box is No. 353.
