

Station News

June 26, 1940

LAST MINUTE NEWS

DON'T FORGET - the Station picnic is to be held at Taughannock Falls State Park this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Tickets of identification for free parking may be secured from Mrs. Baker here at the Station, or at the park. Also remember - plates, cups, spoons, knives and forks are essential if you want to eat! Better plan on going as there will be entertainment for young and old and we're sure the food will be of the best! In case of rain the picnic will be held in Jordan Hall. Here's hoping that sun chooses to day as it's day to shine!

WEATHER PROPHETS

Speaking of the sun-- That the ability of the men here at the Station is held in high esteem is confirmed by a report concerning telephone calls that have been coming in. However, they cannot always live up to their reputations as know-it-alls - for unfortunately, they are not able to make any accurate prognostications about the weather - nor to say whether the rain and continued coolness is due to the war in Europe or to sunspots.

HORT. MEETING

The Secretary of the New York State Horticultural Society has written that August 3rd has been set as the date of the summer meeting of the Society to be held at the Station. Plans for the program are now being considered and will be announced later.

USE OF CALCIUM IN CANNED TOMATOES MADE LEGAL

In the June 19, 1940 issue of the Federal Register there appeared over the signature of the Secretary of Agriculture the amendment to the regulations permitting the use of calcium chloride in canned whole tomatoes "in a quantity reasonably necessary to firm the tomatoes, but in no case more than 0.07 per cent". The use of the calcium chloride has to be declared on the label. The inclusion of calcium chloride as an "optional ingredient" in the standard of identity of canned tomatoes is the climax to several years' work at the Station recently summarized in a technical bulletin from the Chemistry Division.

CHEMIST'S CLUB FIELD TRIP

This year the Chemist's Club annual field trip will be a visit to the Beacon Milling Co., at Cayuga, N. Y., on Tuesday, July 2nd, at 3 o'clock. After inspecting the plant and laboratory (which is one of the largest producers of feed in this section of the country) the visiting members and guests are invited to a complimentary supper in the dining room of the company. Please notify F. W. Hayward, Chemistry Division, by 10 A.M. on Monday, how many will be in your party so that reservations may be made. To get to Cayuga turn right from U.S.20 to N.Y.90 just beyond Montezuma bridge.

IN OSWEGO

Messrs. Wellington, Slate, and Collison were in Oswego yesterday, inspecting the experimental raspberry plantings in that region.

IN AT ONCE

It is essential that all plans for State Fair exhibits be submitted to Mr. van Alstyne as soon as possible as he is going to the Fair early next week. If plans are not submitted booths and murals cannot be constructed.

OFF FOR THE WEST

Dr. and Mrs. B. R. Nebel and family leave tomorrow for a month's vacation in the Grand Teton Mountains in Wyoming. Mrs. Nebel and the children will take a train from Chicago while Dr. Nebel will drive on to the camp where they expect to stay, in the heart of the region about which Zane Grey has written some of his best stories. Not far from Jackson Hole, they will have a cabin on a small lake. They are carrying a portable boat to use - and the trout fishing is reported to be excellent. Good luck!

STATION VISITORS

Dr. C. G. Woodbury from the Washington office of the National Canners' Association visited the Station Monday to study our activities, particularly in canning crops.

Dr. and Mrs. Gilbert C. Marquardt of Evanston, Illinois were visitors at the Station last week.

MORE CHANGES IN CHEMISTRY

Miss Katherine Wheeler joins the staff of the Chemistry Division as a full-time Assistant. She will carry on work on the vitamin content of fruits and vegetables.

Mr. O. Billings, a graduate student at Cornell, will assist Dr. Norton in the Chemistry Division during the summer.

Prof. Martha E. Hollinger has arrived from Louisiana State University to carry on chemical study of the determination of vitamins of food, for the summer.

Miss Mary Mann Kirk who has been working with vitamins is leaving the Station at the end of the week. Later she will take up work in the field of nutrition in the University of Illinois.

HOT WATER

While engaged in household activities at his home in Seneca Castle, Dr. Holland was seriously burned by hot water. In spite of the seriousness of the burns Dr. Holland was able to leave late Saturday for the Dairy Science meetings at Lafayette, Ind.

NEW MILK DISTRIBUTOR

Leon Tyler, of the NYA Residence Center, was appointed to the position in the Dairy Building formerly occupied by Bill Lydon. Leon has been helping in the milk room for the past few months and is quite familiar with the work.

CONGRATULATIONS

During the past week it was announced that a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Viggo Jensen. Congratulations!

NEW LOCATION

Mr. Alan Leany who has maintained an office in Jordan Hall since February, 1939 will move into the new Post Office addition during the coming week. He will be located in Room No. 7. All time reports should be submitted through the mail in the envelopes distributed by Mr. Leany.

MR. MUNN'S MOTHER

We regret the passing of Mr. Munn's mother, Mrs. Ellen Munn of Vicksburg, Mich.

MUCH IMPROVED

Unconfirmed rumors have it that Mr. Lockett will return to his home from the hospital this week. We hope to see him at his desk in the near future.

LOST - A ring of about 12 keys on a chain in the vicinity of the spray shed. Finder please return to Doug Greenwood or to the Editor of the NEWS.