

Station News

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Geneva, N. Y.

PLANS MATURING

With the summer meeting of the State Horticultural Society scheduled for two weeks from next Saturday--August 3--plans for the program are taking on a finished appearance. Professor W. J. Tawse, Provincial Horticulturist from Montreal, Canada, is to be the guest speaker and will tell how Canada met the marketing emergency in disposing of its apple crop last year and will describe plans for marketing this year's crop. It is also expected that two or three prominent horticulturists attending the rootstock conference earlier that week will remain over for the 3rd and contribute something to the program. The afternoon will be devoted to demonstrations and tours of experimental work. Arrangements are under way for a local grange to provide light lunches and refreshments. It is desired to print a program and a list of things of special interest to fruit growers to be seen at the Station on August 3. Copy for this list should be in the Editor's hands as soon as possible.

ALSO THE 14TH

Plans are also well in hand for the field day of the State Vegetable Growers Association to be held here on Wednesday, August 14. Here again, a printed program and list of demonstrations and things of special interest to vegetable growers is contemplated and copy is wanted at an early date. One of the high lights of that event will be the frozen food-dinner which will be prepared and served under the general supervision of Dr. Tressler.

THE ANNUAL REPORT

While on the subject of copy, the Editor is also on the trail of material for the annual report. Early attention to this detail by the several Divisions will be appreciated.

NEW PUBLICATIONS

Received from the printer last Monday--Bulletin No. 691 entitled "Experiments in Orchard Soil Management: Fertilizers, Mulches, and Cover Crops"; by R. C. Collison. Also, due for delivery tomorrow, is the July number of Farm Research.

FOR THE RED CROSS

Announcement has been made by the Geneva NYA Residence Center of plans for a party on Friday, August 2, the proceeds of which will be donated to the Geneva Chapter of the Red Cross. Further details of the event, which will be open to the public, will be forthcoming later. But mark the date on your calendar.

BACK FROM THE R.O.T.C.

Stewart Patrick returned to the Station Monday after a two weeks' intensive training period at the R.O.T.C. camp at Fort Dix. Mr. Patrick is a lieutenant in the Reserve Corps. He reports that training activities are being stepped up in keeping with the spirit of the times.

IN MARYLAND

Dr. Tressler is attending the Gibson Island Conference on Biological Chemistry, sponsored by the A.A.A.S., and will speak today on the investigations under way here on the vitamin C content of vegetables. Gibson Island is near Annapolis, Md.

FROM THE VALLEY

Mr. E. S. Hubbard, prominent Hudson Valley fruit grower, and his son, accompanied by Art Williams of the Dutchess County Farm Bureau, visited the Station Monday to check up on recent spraying developments, dwarf fruit trees, and fruit juices, among other things.

THE SEED IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Mr. Munn and Mr. Everson spent last Monday in Ithaca in attendance at the annual field day of the New York Seed Improvement Association. A record attendance was reported together with unusual interest in the new varieties of grains and potatoes being bred for distribution to certified seed growers.

NYA PLACEMENTS

Three NYA boys formerly with the local Residence Center have been placed in permanent jobs recently. Robert Clawson is now assistant to the plant manager for the Westfield Planters' Cooperative at Westfield, N. Y., and Eugene Jankowski is with the National Grape Corporation at Dunkirk. Both boys were associated with the Chemistry Division. Louis Wenska, better known around the Dairy Division as "Brush", is now with the Curtis Wright Corporation at Buffalo.

PLEASE RETURN

Dr. George Oberle reports the loss of his personal copy of Hedrick's "Systematic Pomology", the return of which will be greatly appreciated.

EXTRA COPIES

A number of copies of the 1940 Proceedings of the New York State Horticultural Society are available in the Editor's office to anyone desirous of adding the volume to their library.

PARTICIPATED

Dr. Dahlberg acted as toastmaster at a dinner given in honor of Ira G. Payne, past president of the New York State Jersey Cattle Club and recently elected president of the American Jersey Cattle Club, at Meridale Farms near Oneonta. About ninety Jersey breeders from New York State and New England were present.

AMONG THE VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Benton spent two days in Geneva recently visiting the Huckers. The Bentons reside in Santa Domingo where Mr. Benton supervises the interests of the South Porto Rico Sugar Company with which Dr. Hucker was associated on special investigations last winter. Dr. Scott of the Bureau of Food Preservation in Sidney, Australia, was also a recent visitor to Geneva and the Station.

HERE FOR THE SUMMER

Mr. Mark Goodyear is assisting in the Bacteriology Division for the summer months.

SEVENTEEN YEARS

July 1 marked a new year for the NEWS and its seventeenth birthday. That's 884 weeks and there haven't been very many of those weeks that the NEWS has failed to appear--which may or may not be an unmixed blessing. It is with profound appreciation, however, that we acknowledge the swell job that Harold Brundage has done the past five weeks in keeping the NEWS going while we acquired a permanent topic of conversation--an operation. It was one of the many nice things that happened to us to make the experience a memorable one and to make us wish--almost--that we might prolong the "convalescence" a few weeks.