



# Station News



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## MR. GLADWIN'S SUCCESSOR

Mr. A. T. Merrill of the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station at East Lansing has been appointed an Associate in Research in Horticulture at this Station and placed in charge of the Vineyard Laboratory at Fredonia, effective April 1. Mr. Merrill, who is thirty-three years of age, was born in Utah and grew up on a farm in Idaho. He graduated from the Utah State Agricultural College where he also worked during the summer months for the Horticultural Department and was for a while in charge of the College orchards and experimental fruit plantings. He has been with the Michigan Experiment Station for the past several years and for a brief period was acting superintendent of the South Haven Substation. He was granted his M. S. degree by the Michigan State College and has completed work for his Ph.D. degree. Mr. Merrill has had considerable training and experience in genetics, as well as in general horticulture, and has been closely associated with the peach breeding work of the Michigan Station and with the blueberry investigations. While making his headquarters at Fredonia, Mr. Merrill will also work on grape problems in the Finger Lakes Region and in the Hudson Valley.

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## APPLE JUICE STANDARDS

Proposed standards for the Empire State Brand of apple juice were the subject of a conference of processors and State officials here at the Station last week, with Dr. Pederson and Mr. Beattie in attendance as expert advisors. In addition to about twenty-five packers of fruit juice, there were present Mr. John Wanhope and Dr. A. H. Robertson of the Department of Agriculture and Markets in Albany, Dr. L. J. Cross of Ithaca, and Harry Duncan of the Federal and State Inspection Services in Rochester. Federal standards for fruit juices were also reviewed.

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## SUMMER MEETINGS

With a March blizzard howling outside, it is pleasant to contemplate plans for summer meetings. Dr. Tukey brings back word from a conference of officers of the State Horticultural Society he attended in Rochester last Thursday, that the fruit growers are planning a tour, starting August 18, thru the fruit-growing sections of the Shenandoah and Cumberland Valleys and terminating with an inspection of the fruit investigations under way at the Federal Horticultural Experiment Station at Beltsville, Md.

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## PUBLISHERS COMING LATER

The Western New York Newspaper Publishers' Association has decided to postpone their visit to the Station until later in the season. In view of the weather of the past week, this would seem to be a very wise decision and certainly the publishers will find it more comfortable—and probably more interesting—to inspect the work of the Station when the sun is shining and the birds are singing and the new fruits are ripening.

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## HORTICULTURAL CONFERENCE

The annual spring conference of members of the Department of Pomology of the College of Agriculture and of the Division of Pomology here at the Station has been tentatively scheduled for next Wednesday, March 26, in Jordan Hall. At that time the research projects of the two Divisions will be reviewed and the season's activities planned.

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## ADDRESSED SEMINAR

Dr. Magie spoke before the Plant Pathology Seminar at the College of Agriculture yesterday on hop disease investigations, with particular reference to hop mildew and its control.

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## HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

The Geneva Chemists' Club will have as their guest speaker next Wednesday night at 8:00 o'clock in Jordan Hall, Carleton F. Sturdy of New York City, who will speak on "What Canned Goods Really Are". Mr. Sturdy represents the American Can Company and is widely known as a lecturer. The meeting is open to the public and any one interested in the subject is cordially invited to attend.

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### A FULL SCHEDULE

Mr. Slate left Monday for Riverhead where he addressed the Riverhead Garden Club last night on the subject of lilies. Today he will attend a meeting of the Lily Committee in New York City; also, the New York flower show which is being held in Grand Central Palace this week. Thursday he will take part in a small fruit meeting arranged by the Ulster County Farm Bureau and on Friday a similar meeting to be held under the auspices of the Columbia County Farm Bureau. On Monday of next week, George (Slate) goes to Akron, Ohio, to speak before the Garden Club of that city on his favorite topic—lilies.

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### ALSO IN THE HUDSON VALLEY

Dr. Suit will also participate in the small fruit meetings in Ulster and Columbia counties on Thursday and Friday.

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### BUSINESS AND PLEASURE

Dr. Carpenter is speaking at a dinner meeting tonight of the Biochemical Research Foundation in Newark, Del., on "Splitting the Protein Molecule with Ultra-violet Light". Tomorrow the Carpenters sail on a Caribbean cruise, and will return to Geneva about April 1. (We do not believe we are giving away any secrets when we reveal that the cruise is in celebration of a twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. Congratulations!)

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### "EXPERIMENT STATION DAY"

That's just about what it will amount to at the annual meeting of the Western New York Cheese and Butter Makers Association in Cuba next Tuesday, with Dr. Yale and Mr. Marquardt taking over the afternoon program and with Dr. Hucker as the speaker of the evening following the banquet. We understand this is the third time that George (Hucker) has been called upon to fill the honor spot on the program, a record unequalled by any one else appearing before this Association, one of the oldest dairy organizations in the State.

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### GETTING IN FORM

Dr. Hucker addressed the annual meeting of the Ovid Presbyterian Church Monday night and was invited to spend the night in Ovid to wait out the storm. At this writing he would be there yet—if he had accepted the invitation.

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### TALKED TO PEA GROWERS

Dr. Glasgow was in Bloomsburg, Pa., last night for a meeting of pea growers where he discussed the control of the pea aphid.

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### TO ADDRESS "TREE WARDENS"

Dr. Gambrell goes to Amherst, Mass., next week to speak at a school for "tree wardens" at Massachusetts State College on recent developments in the control of insect pests of ornamentals.

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### ON THE SICK LIST

Fortunately, we have no more broken bones to record this week, but a hasty check-up does reveal casualties among the clerical force, with Miss Curtis, Mrs. DeWall, and Mr. Bowen out with the prevailing severe colds.

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### RUBBING IT IN

And to make our lot still harder, reports of warm, sunny days in the Southland keep coming in from the Wellingtons, the Collisons, and the Beavens', while Dr. Sanborn pushes off for a two weeks' vacation at Fort Lauderdale!

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