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OUR FIRST DRAFTEE

"Sam" Sullivan is in the Army now—or soon will be, having left yesterday to be inducted into the service for a year's training. Sam is the first employee of the Station to be called by the local Draft Board. William Sullivan, better known around the Station, for some reason, as "Sam", started working here just 14 years ago when he was employed on the root stock investigations, and has been one of those who help make the wheels go around in Dr. Tukey's establishment. Sam's good-natured smile and willing helpfulness will be greatly missed for the next year, but Uncle Sam needs just that kind of man. At a farewell party Monday afternoon Sam was presented with a wrist watch from some eighty of his associates and was sent on his way with every wish for the best of luck and good fortune.

REVIEWING VEGETABLE PROGRAM

At the request of the New York State Vegetable Growers Association representatives from the Station and the College of Agriculture are meeting with a committee from the Association in Syracuse today and tomorrow to review the research program in vegetable crops under way at the two institutions. The Director is presenting a statement covering the work here at the Station, and later the conference is expected to break up into small groups to discuss different phases of the program. Representatives from the Divisions of Bacteriology, Chemistry, Vegetable Crops, Seed Investigations, Plant Pathology, and Entomology will take part in the group discussions.

RETURNING NEXT WEEK

Word received recently from Mr. Sayre conveys the information that he and Mrs. Sayre will return to Geneva some time next week. Mr. Sayre has been engaged in special investigations at the New Jersey Experiment Station for the past several months while on sabbatical leave.

PASSED PRELIMS

Mr. L. O. Weaver of the Division of Plant Pathology passed the preliminary examinations for the degree of Ph.D. at Cornell last week. Mr. Weaver, who returned to Geneva recently from his studies at Ithaca, assists Dr. Hamilton in fruit tree disease investigations.

CONFERRED ON INSECTICIDES

Mr. Hart and Mr. Caroy of the Niagara Sprayer Company called on Dr. Pearce yesterday to discuss chemical problems relating to insecticides.

GUILFORD LEROY, JR.

Announcements reached Geneva on the first day of Spring last week of the arrival on March 20 in a Syracuse hospital of Guilford Leroy Mack, Jr. The announcement was followed up in due time with the arrival of Dad with the cigars and with word that Mother and Junior were doing nicely, thank you. Congratulations!

GOING TO ADDISON

Joe Warner who has been engaged on an NYA dairy project here has been appointed to a position with the Steuben County Herd Improvement Association at Addison, N. Y. Mr. Warner will take up his new duties on April 1.

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Dr. E. P. Alexander of Cooperstown, Director of the New York State Historical Society, called on Dr. Breed last week to discuss the program for the annual meeting of the Geneva Historical Society on April 15 which Dr. Alexander will address on the subject of "James Fenimore Cooper". Dr. Alexander organized the Cooper Sesquicentennial at Cooperstown last September. Dr. Alexander also took advantage of the opportunity to look into the facilities available in Geneva for holding the annual meeting of the State Historical Society here next fall.

NEW TECHNICAL BULLETINS

Two new Technical Bulletins are expected from the printer tomorrow, as follows:

Tech. Bul. No. 256. Objective Methods for Determining the Maturity of Peas, with Special Reference to the Frozen Product, by F. A. Lee.

Tech. Bul. No. 257. Rate of Rennet Coagulation and Curd Tension of Milk with Special Reference to Problems in Cheese Manufacture, by J. C. Marquardt and Margaret Needham.

As usual, copies of these publications may be obtained from the Bulletin Room upon request.

SAW SPRING IN THE MAKING

Mr. Wollington says he saw many evidences of spring on its way North in his travels of the past three weeks, which included visits to gardens in the South. He also tells of visiting several experiment stations and other research centers and of seeing former members of the Staff in the course of his trip.

10 DAYS LATE--MAYBE LATER

From authoritative sources around the Station we gather that spring is already fully 10 days late in reaching Geneva and it may be even later. Taking spraying operations as an index, the spring season has opened up in the Station orchards as early as the last of February, but the average date is March 20. Last year, however, it was April 12, and even with the best of breaks it is going to be at least 10 days later than average this season, with every chance that it will be even longer deferred. It is a hopeful sign, however, that Dr. McNew is busy treating pea seed for experimental plantings which will be made just as soon as the soil can be put into condition.

DR. CONN IN MASSACHUSETTS

Dr. Conn left the first of the week for Wakefield, Mass., to bring Mrs. Conn's mother, Mrs. Mansfield, to Geneva for a visit.

GENEVA CHEMISTS' CLUB TONIGHT AT 8:00 O'CLOCK--OPEN MEETING