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ADDRESSING THE FRUIT GROWERS

Dr. J. M. Hamilton drew the No. 1 position on the program of the State Horticultural Society meeting in Rochester this week where he is scheduled to discuss "Trends in Fungicide Developments for Fruit Growers" at 10:00 a. m. this morning. He will be followed later in the morning by Prof. S. W. Harman who will talk on "Codling Moth Control with Dusts and Sprays." This afternoon's session will be featured by a discussion on "New Developments in Pomology" to be led by Doctor Heinicke and with Professor Wellington contributing "Notes on Newer Varieties of Tree Fruits." Running simultaneously with this session will be a special program for those interested primarily in small fruits, with Professor Slate discussing "What's New in Small Fruit Culture" and Doctor Suit reporting on "Developments in Small Fruit and Grape Disease Control". Doctor Parrott is in charge of the "Question Box" at today's session. Other members of the Staff will be in attendance on the various sessions and in charge of displays in the joint educational exhibits with the College. Among other highlights of this ninetieth annual meeting of the Society will be the appearance of Doctor Liberty Hyde Bailey as the speaker at the banquet Thursday evening. Doctor Bailey addressed the Society on the occasion of its 50th anniversary and again on its 75th anniversary.

CABBAGE AND BEET GROWERS

Several hundred cabbage and beet growers from Ontario, Yates, and Seneca counties are expected at a meeting in Jordan Hall this afternoon to hear speakers from the College of Agriculture and various federal agencies discuss possible government support prices and acreage goals of these crops for 1945. The meeting is sponsored by the Ontario County Farm Bureau.

THE FIRST STEP

The first step in carrying out the post-war program for expansion of the physical plant here at the Station was taken by the Department of Education last week when it advised Doctor Heinicke that Mr. Thomas L. White, Geneva architect and engineer, had been assigned the contract to draw up the plans and specifications for the proposed food processing building. One of several projects at the Station approved by the State Post-War Planning Commission, this building is expected to cost in the neighborhood of \$540,000 and will be located between the present Chemistry and Entomology buildings.

NEWLY APPOINTED

Dr. R. G. Rice has been appointed to the Corn Products Investigatorship under the direction of Doctor Carpenter and has entered upon his new duties. Doctor Rice comes to Geneva from Stanford University where he has been engaged upon war projects since the completion of his thesis in the field of medical research at Stanford. He will work on the protein of corn grain.

NURSERYMEN TO MEET

The New York State Nurserymen's Association will meet at the Sheraton Hotel in Rochester Friday and Saturday of this week. Dr. Tukey will report on the activities of the Association as its Secretary-Treasurer.

DAVE SUIT

Congratulations to Doctor and Mrs. Ross Suit on the arrival of David William on January 5th!

THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL

The Geneva Times is also our source for information on the awarding of the Good Conduct medal to Pfc Samuel Moracco who was employed in the milk room here at the time of his induction into the service. Sammy is attached to what is described as "a veteran infantry regiment" in the Pacific area and is a platoon messenger.

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

The Ceres Circle will have a "Musical Interlude" next Wednesday afternoon, January 17th, when Prof. Lewis H. Niven of Hobart College will give an "illustrated" talk on modern music, featuring composers Roy Harris and Aaron Copeland. The meeting will be held at the Director's residence at 3:30, with Mrs. W. T. Schroeder as hostess. Mrs. A. W. Hofer is in charge of the program.

ALL IN ONE YEAR

The Geneva Times had quite a story the other evening about Lt. Victor Shipman who was employed by the Plant Pathology Division here when he entered the Air Corps in February, 1943. Vic went overseas in January, 1944, and at the close of the year was back in Atlantic City at the AAF Redistribution Station after having flown 32 missions as pilot of a Fortress. At the end of the year his original crew was still intact and not one of them had sustained as much as a scratch, altho Vic had had a boot shot away on one flight. Lt. Shipman piloted a bomber on the first shuttle hop from England to Russia, and he wears the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Presidential Unit Citation, and European theater ribbon with three campaign stars. He rates a flight over Munich as the "hottest" mission of the 32. About to drop their bombs on a buzz bomb motor plant their plane was caught in three bursts of flak which knocked out two of their four motors and set off all of the incendiaries in the bomb bay. The flak also wrecked the oxygen supply system, the radio, interphones, and navigation instruments, but despite all this they dropped their bombs, including the flaming incendiaries, and returned to their base on two engines. Vic has been on leave at his home near Stanley.

ONE FOR THE BOOKS

A letter from Greensburg, Kansas, was received at the Station the other day which bore the following address:

New York State Agricultural Experiment Station, Rochester, N. Y.
(Grape Section)

Postmaster if this is addressed to
wrong city, please correct and forward to proper city.

Mailed on January 1st, the letter reached the Station on the 4th.

THE CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

About 80 Station employees met in the Staff room in Jordan Hall Monday afternoon to hear Prof. A. L. Winsor explain the proposed classification of all employees of State institutions under Cornell University. Professor of Rural Education and associated with the Department of Hotel Management at Ithaca, Professor Winsor has been devoting his time to organizing and directing the job analysis and classification for all employees of Cornell at Ithaca and Geneva. The classification is to be based mainly upon the information supplied in the questionnaires filled out by all Station employees last summer. It is expected that the classification will be enacted into law at the present session of the Legislature and will go into effect on April 1st.

THE PURPLE HEART

According to the Geneva Daily Times, Roy Bergstresser has been awarded the Purple Heart.
