

STATION NEWS

LARGEST EVER

With the largest enrollment ever--45 at this writing--the ninth annual mold counting school will get underway today for a 10-day session. Continuing the trend that set in during the war years, the girls far outnumber the men in this year's group of technicians representing tomato-processing plants in all sections of the State, as well as out-of-state concerns.

DISCUSS PLANS

Professor Hartzell, Doctor Reinking, Professor Wellington, Mr. Carleton, and Mr. Tomkins were in Penn Yan last Thursday for a conference with Farm Bureau representatives and Soil Conservation specialists on plans for a field day for grape growers in the Finger Lakes area. August 29th was set as the tentative date for the event, with activities centering around Hammondsport, where Doctor Braun has some work underway on disease control and where the Station is cooperating with the Soil Conservation Service in testing rootstocks for grapes. It is expected to make the field day an annual affair, with the growers visiting different places each year where grape investigations are underway. Growers from Seneca, Yates, Schuyler, Steuben, and Ontario counties are expected to participate in the tour on August 29th.

RE-ELECTED

Professor Munn was re-elected Chairman of the Editorial Committee and Editor of the Proceedings of the Association of Official Seed Analysts at the annual meeting of the Association at Michigan State College last week.

ON THE MOVE

This is moving time in the Pomology Division where the influx of several new members of the Staff has necessitated a re-assignment of office and laboratory space. We shall not attempt to list the new quarters of the various members of the Division, but simply warn our readers that they won't find 'em where they thought they were.

HOME AT LAST

Miss Dorothy Carson has returned to her home in Geneva following service with the American Red Cross and the Allied Control Administration in Europe. Miss Carson was employed in the Publications Division at the time she joined the Red Cross in 1944.

FROM DENMARK

Doctor Paul Neergaard of Copenhagen, Denmark, was a recent visitor to the Station when he went over Doctor Reinking's work on the development of yellows-resistant cabbage. Doctor Neergaard is in charge of the phytopathological laboratory of the J. E. Ohlsens, Enke, Seed Growers of Copenhagen. He is spending several months at Cornell and expects to return to the Station in the fall to make a study of the seed testing laboratory.

DO YOU HAVE A BULL?

If you do, the Station will sell you a treadmill-type bull exerciser at a very reasonable figure. A remnant of the equipment in the dairy barn from the days of the Station herd, it is now "excess" property and the space it occupies is wanted for other purposes. So call 6464 and make an offer.

IN EUROPE

According to Extension Echoes, Dean Myers left by plane last week to make a survey of conditions in several European countries on behalf of the Rockefeller Foundation. He was accompanied by John D. Rockefeller III. Both of them are trustees of the Foundation.

IN TAKOMA

Professor and Mrs. Sayre left last Saturday for a two weeks' visit with Professor Sayre's mother at her home in Takoma, Washington.

FROM BIKINI ATOLL

Our correspondence this week included a communication from one of the scientists assigned by the Navy to the atom bomb investigations at Bikini. The writer is a physicist who is particularly concerned with soil permeability studies. He is probably getting some new slants on "permeability" at Bikini.

FROM FLORIDIA

We are indebted to Cap Bigelow for information about the Suit family who now reside in Auburndale, Fla., while Doctor Suit is engaged in research at the Florida Citrus Experiment Station at Lake Alfred. According to a recent letter, Ross, Junior, graduated from high school last May and will soon enter the Navy for an 18-month enlistment. The Suits have just recently returned to Florida following a month's visit at Mrs. Suit's home in Iowa.

THE SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Prospects that Congress will take final action at this session on the National Science Foundation are growing dimmer day by day. While the Senate has passed an amended form of the generally approved bill known as S. 1850, the House has before it two bills of its own in addition to the measure passed by the Senate. All are buried deep in House committees and the prospects of any of them coming out in time for action at this session of Congress appear slim--unless considerable pressure is brought to bear by scientists themselves. This is the gist of a fervent plea in the current issue of Science that scientists make their wishes known to members of the House before it is too late. Failure to be reported out and acted upon at this session means that the whole proposition will have to make a new start in the next Congress.
