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4 TIMES OUT OF 8

A Station entomologist has done it again! Doctor R. W. Dean of the Hudson Valley Fruit Investigations Laboratory at Poughkeepsie has won an award, consisting of a medal and a cash prize, from the Eastern Branch of the America Association of Economic Entomologists for a report on the use of DDT for the control of the apple maggot. The award has been made eight times and has gone to Station workers four times. Announcement of Doctor Dean's selection for the 1946 award was made in Richmond, Va., last week at the annual meeting of the American Association of Economic Entomologists. In addition to the significance of the contribution to economic entomology, the winning paper is chosen for its "form, style and correctness of language, clarity of presentation and interpretation of data, and soundness of conclusions drawn." The 1940 and 1942 awards were made for papers presented jointly by Dr. Chapman, Dr. Pearce, and Dr. Avens, while the 1941 award went to Doctor Carruth. Of the four other awards made thus far, two have gone to workers at the Connecticut Experiment Station at New Haven, one to Dr. F. H. Lathrop, formerly of this Station and now with the Maine Experiment Station, and one to an entomologist in the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

COMBATING DUTCH ELM DISEASE

In a lengthy interview in last Sunday's New York Times, Dr. James G. Horsfall of the Connecticut Experiment Station at New Haven and formerly in charge of the canning crop disease investigations here, discusses a new chemotherapy treatment for the Dutch elm disease which he and his associates are trying out on a large scale on the elms that border New Haven's "green", near Yale University. Known as the "elm city", New Haven is justly disturbed about the future of its elms and is apparently counting heavily on Jim's efforts to find some effective control other than cutting down and burning affected trees.

FROM ATHENS

Konstantein Michailides of the seed production division, Ministry of Agriculture, Athens, Greece, has been spending the past few days at the Station. He is interested chiefly in the production and breeding of fruits and vegetables.

ONE CALF--\$6,760

An account coming out of Ithaca tells of an unusual sale held in Earlville recently to augment the Carl Ladd Scholarship Fund. A three-month-old heifer calf, donated to the Fund, was sold 47 different times, and each time the buyer paid the sum and said "Sell it again". On the 47th transaction it was decided to call quits. The final bid was for \$310, and the buyer was the wife of a man who had previously bought the calf for \$300. A total of \$6,760 was realized for the Fund which now stands at about \$63,000. It is hoped eventually to raise \$100,000 to support 20 scholarships at the College of Agriculture.

IN THE HOSPITAL

Mr. John Tomkins underwent an appendectomy in the Geneva General Hospital on Sunday. He is reported to be making satisfactory progress. Here's hoping he will be back home for Santa Claus and Christmas.

CALLED HOME

Doctor M. T. Vittum was called to his home in Haverhill, Mass., last Sunday on account of the death of his grandmother.

CHICAGO MEETING

Director Heinicke has been attending the meetings of the Land Grant College Association in Chicago this week.

SPRAY SERVICE

Several members of the Entomology and Plant Pathology Divisions are participating in a conference in Ithaca this week of Spray Service specialists and College and Station workers concerned with fruit insects and diseases. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss results of tests of new fungicides and insecticides this past season and to outline recommendations for the 1947 season.

MOVING TO CALIFORNIA

Word has been received here at the Station from Dr. M. W. Yale, formerly with the Bacteriology Division and now connected with the research laboratory of the Shefford Cheese Company in Green Bay, Wis., telling of his plans to accept a position as Director of Research for the Cheese Division of the Aden Farms Company at Patterson, Calif., about 90 miles from San Francisco. Doctor Yale enters on his new duties on January 1st, but his family will remain in Green Bay until June.

SCIENCE MEETINGS

Several members of the Staff are planning to attend meetings of the AAAS in Boston and of the American Phytopathological Society in Cincinnati in the interval between Christmas and New Years. Those expecting to attend the Boston meetings include Dr. Heinicke, Dr. Bledsoe, Dr. Shaulis, Dr. Einset, Professor Slate, Professor Tapley, Dr. Dearborn, and Doctor Cain. Those heading for Cincinnati include Dr. Schroeder, Dr. Hamilton, Dr. Mack, Dr. Foster, and Dr. Braun. Doctor Reinking, who will be on his way back home from a vacation in the South, is also expected to attend the Cincinnati meetings.

A GRAND PARTY

The 150 adults and 70 children who attended the Christmas party in Jordan Hall Monday night acclaimed it a glorious success from the supper and tea to Santa's spectacular appearance. Mrs. Pearce's two-act marionette show and Mr. Brower's mystifying slight of hand were enthusiastically received by all, and of course Santa proved to be everything that his admirers anticipated. Over fifty people worked on the party, with Mrs. Brooks as general chairman, and each of them should feel completely satisfied with the results. A serious shortage of silverware in the Station Club locker was met by a loan of 200 spoons from the North Presbyterian Church, which also supplied the small chairs for the youngsters.

BE SEEING YOU FRIDAY EVE

Fun and good music are in store for all who attend the Christmas dance in Jordan Hall next Friday evening. Co-chairmen Jeanne Smith and Corabelle Hessney announce that plans have been completed by the following committee members: Tickets, Dr. Robinson; programs, Esther Baumgartner; publicity, Eleanor Greenwood; decorations, Mrs. Rutchsky; snack bar, Mrs. Bigelow and Mrs. Campfield. Tickets will be available at the door for those who are still undecided.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!

There will be no issue of the NEWS next week, due to the Christmas holiday--a break for all concerned. And so we say now

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
