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HARD : About fifty members of the Station Club enjoyed the "Hard Times" party held
TIMES : last night in Jordan Hall. The evening's program consisted of several
miniature out-door games of ping-pong, golf, and basketball, photography,
rides in the "Fresh-Air Taxicab" and bowling, supplemented by several tables of
contests and cards. In an adjoining room, dancing was enjoyed. At the conclusion
of these games, prizes were awarded for high scores. For the best typical "hard-time"
costume, a suitable prize was awarded to Mr. Traphagen. Costume prizes for the
ladies were awarded to Mrs. Lovelace and Mrs. Gates. To conclude this program of
unique entertainment, a lengthy but brilliant speech was given by Dr. Fishwalder of
England entitled, "The Discovery of Radium from the Meringue of Lemon Pie".
A bread line was provided for the guests and light refreshments were served. In this
way the neediest cases were supplied with provisions for home consumption. The
party was recorded as a success by those in attendance.

ANOTHER BILL: Last week we noted the introduction of a bill into the Legislature
INTRODUCED : calling for an appropriation of \$65,000 for equipping the new horticul-
tural laboratory building. Since then, a second bill has been intro-
duced providing for an appropriation of \$15,000 for alterations in the Dairy Building
to convert that building into laboratory and office space for the Divisions of
Bacteriology and Dairying. These two items have yet to pass the Legislature and
receive the Governor's signature to become effective.

TO GO TO : Dr. Breed and Mr. Eglinton leave tomorrow for Albany where they will
ALBANY : participate in the school for milk and dairy inspectors to be held in
that city under the auspices of the State Department of Health.

TO BE IN : Dr. Dahlberg will be in Cleveland on Monday to attend a committee meet-
CLEVELAND : ing in connection with the Journal of Dairy Science of which he is the
editor.

DEAN DAVENPORT : Dean Eugene Davenport, formerly with the University of Illinois
PAYS BRIEF VISIT: until his retirement a few years ago, stopped off in Geneva for a
brief visit last week, following a conference in Washington on
matters pertaining to the Land Grant College Association.

TO TALK ON: Members of the Station Staff are again indebted to Hobart College for an
FINANCING : invitation to join the Hobart faculty and student body in hearing a
notable speaker. Next Friday afternoon, Myron C. Taylor, Chairman of
the Board of Finance of the American Steel Corporation, will speak in Coxe Hall on
"Corporation Financing".

TODAY'S : Dr. J. E. Knott of the Department of Vegetable Gardening at Cornell is to
SEMINAR : be the speaker at the horticultural seminar in the Director's office at
3:30 today. Dr. Knott is engaged in plant physiological researches and
will discuss chiefly the methods employed in his studies.

TO SPEAK ON : The next meeting of the University Club will be held at the Pulteney
DAIRY RESEARCH : Inn at 6:30, Tuesday, March 31, when Dr. Dahlberg will discuss
"Some Aspects of Dairy Research."

IN SERIOUS : Mr. Fred Eppler, for several years a member of the Station labor force,
CONDITION : is in a serious condition in the Geneva General Hospital following an
operation the first of the week.

ARRIVES : Mrs. Charles F. Williams of Lafayette, Indiana, arrives today for a visit
TODAY : of several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Luckett.

DR. HEDRICK: Dr. Hedrick is to speak in Fredonia tomorrow night on the grape work
IN FREDONIA: under way at the Station.

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GRAPE MEN: Last Friday, Mr. Gladwin from the Fredonia Vineyard Laboratory and repre-
CONFER : sentative grape growers from the Fredonia region conferred with Dr.
-----: Hedrick, Dr. Carpenter, and Dr. Kertesz on grape juice problems.

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DEAN MANN: Formal bestowal of the Order of the White Lion upon Dean Mann by the
HONORED : Czechoslovakian government, the awarding of which was announced sometime
-----: ago, will take place tomorrow evening in Ithaca at the annual banquet of
agricultural extension workers to be held in Willard Straight Hall. Dr. Jaroslav
Novak, Consul General for Czechoslovakia in New York, will represent President
Masaryk in conferring the decoration upon Dean Mann. The honor is in recognition of
Dean Mann's services in connection with the International Education Board in 1924-26,
when he visited practically every European country to make a study of agricultural
education and its needs.

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TALKS WITH : Dr. M. T. Jones, in charge of the extension work of the Bureau of
ENTOMOLOGISTS: Entomology of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture in the northeastern
-----: states, visited the Station recently to confer with members of the
Entomology Division on important insect problems in New York.

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NOT SO GOOD: Persistent reports have appeared in various places of an "open season"
-----: on experiment station and agricultural college appropriations in the
middle west as a consequence of a widespread demand for tax reduction. According to
a statement in the current issue of the Breeder's Gazette, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois,
Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan have been caught in the movement. Deploring
the situation editorially, the Gazette says in part, "The institutions of the people
should have more support, not less. The voters never said that they were to be cut.
They said that waste was to be cut, not progress such as is represented in our state
universities." Again we say that this Station may well congratulate itself on the
generous treatment it received at the hands of the New York Legislature in this year
of stress.

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WHY THEY : A visitor to the Station Mailing Room, impressed by the activity manifest-
ARE BUSY : ed there, might well be curious to know the output of the Mailing Room in
-----: a year's time. Just a year ago a "project" was outlined with this in
view and with Mrs. Hening in charge, and a progress report can now be made on the
period from March 1, 1930, to February 28, 1931. In response to requests for bulle-
tins and circulars received in the daily mail, the following number of publications
were sent out during each of the 12 months:

March.....6945	July.....2880	November.....8094
April.....6385	August.....2936	December.....6282
May.....5552	September...6717	January.....11,213
June.....5521	October.....3246	February..... 8,828

This represents a daily average distribution of 239 publications, and is in addition
to some 116,000 copies of the 11 technical bulletins, 10 general bulletins, 1 annual
report, and 5 circulars distributed over the same period to the regular mailing lists.
It also does not take into account the very considerable number of bulletins that are
mailed out directly by the several Divisions, a number that the Mailing Room cannot
estimate with any degree of accuracy. The project has been expanded to include dur-
ing the coming year a record of the distribution on a subject matter basis, on the
number of actual requests received, and on the geographical distribution of the
requests. Observations for 9 working days on the latter phase of the "problem" show
that requests were received from 41 states and 9 foreign countries, with requests
from New York amounting to about one-third of the whole.

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VEGETABLE: The annual dinner of the Vegetable Gardening Club at Cornell was held
MEN DINE : last night at Forest Home Church in Ithaca, with Mr. and Mrs. Tapley and
-----: Mr. and Mrs. Enzie representing the Station.

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THE BARN : Evidently all that was needed to move the horse barn was to enlist the
MOVES : muscle of the Station labor force; at any rate the task was accomplished
-----: in remarkably short order once these stalwarts took a hand in the matter.
About all that remains to be done now is to join together the two sections that were
cut apart for the moving operations, when the Station teams can be restored to their
old quarters.
