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HOLD SPECIAL STAFF MEETING: Dr. Hedrick called together the Staff last Thursday afternoon to act upon a resolution on the life and work of Dr. Jordan which had been drawn up by a committee named earlier in the week. The resolution was approved and ordered printed and will probably be available within a few days.

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DR. THOMPSON'S TRIBUTE: We mentioned in these columns an especially fine tribute paid to Dr. Jordan by his friend and colleague in the Land Grant College Association, Dr. W. O. Thompson, President Emeritus of Ohio State University. We are now able to reproduce Dr. Thompson's telegram which was read at the services for Dr. Jordan, as follows:

The death of my long-time friend, Dr. Whitman H. Jordan, will bring sadness of heart to those of us who remain and have known him for thirty years or more. His professional career is an open book. He made a large and welcome place for himself in the scientific world. In the Land Grant College Association, he was trusted, honored, and beloved. His Christian character interwoven with integrity, loyalty, a keen ethical discrimination, and a fine sense of humor compelled admiration and affection. The experiment station and agricultural college men will mourn the loss of a wise leader.--W. O. Thompson.

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DO YOU WANT ANY BULBS? If so, get in touch with Mr. Van Alstyne before June 15, when the order for Geneva Garden Club members will be sent in to Mr. David J. Scott of Corfu. A discount will be due members of the Club ordering prior to June 15; also orders placed after that date will have to take their chances on being filled as desired as Mr. Scott does not guarantee to cover all items in his catalog after the 15th. Delivery will be made in the fall. Mr. Van Alstyne has a supply of catalogs for any who may wish to consult them.

The tulip show turned out even better than our early reports indicated and was voted an unusually good opening flower show. According to the present outlook, the iris show will be held the latter part of next week, depending, of course, upon weather conditions for the next few days.

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A SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY: Mr. and Mrs. Marquardt will leave Geneva by automobile on June 1st for California, where Mr. Marquardt will be engaged for the next four months in graduate work in the Upper Division of the Graduate School of Leland Stanford University. His studies will be directed by Dr. Carl Alsberg who is director of the Food Research Institute of the Carnegie Foundation and also Dean of the College of Physical Sciences. Dr. Alsberg formerly was chief of the Bureau of Chemistry of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture. Mr. Marquardt's work at Stanford University will consist of course work closely associated with a project proposed and outlined by Dr. Dahlberg and approved by Dr. Alsberg. On July 14 and 15, he plans to attend the annual meeting of the American Dairy Science Association, which is to be held at the University of California this year, for the purpose of presenting results of investigations conducted here.

Enroute to and from California, Mr. Marquardt will visit several large dairy plants which have for several years made use of the results from investigations conducted at this Station. He has also accepted invitations to visit several large estates in Southern California, including the Eliot-Brant and Adohr estates, where there is also a keen interest in the findings of the Station relative to dairying. While in California, Mr. and Mrs. Marquardt will reside at Palo Alto. They plan to return to Geneva about October 1.

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A NATIONAL DAIRY MEET: Syracuse is to be the scene of the annual meeting of the American Holstein-Friesian Association most of next week, and members of the Dairy Division plan to attend some of the sessions. Much credit is given to H. W. Wing, Professor Emeritus of Animal Husbandry at Cornell, for the success of this organization, which is one of the leading breed associations in the country. Professor Wing is now President of the Association.

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MR. MUNN ON WEAI: With the appearance of Mr. Munn on next Tuesday, the Station's part in the program of WEAI for the present quarter will be completed. He is to talk on "A Visit to the Seed Laboratory."

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PENN STATE'S: Invitations and programs have been received by several members of the
CELEBRATION : Staff for the Soil Fertility Conference to be held at Pennsylvania
-----: State College, June 24 to 26, to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary
of the famous series of soil fertility plats laid out at that institution by Dr.
Jordan in 1881. The program is to be largely technical, with one evening session
devoted to the historical aspects of the occasion. In a brief biographical note on
"Pioneers in Fertility Experiments" which precedes the program, Dr. Jordan is
described as the "Father of the old fertility plats", which are said to be the oldest
continuous fertilizer experiment in America. As stated here before, Dr. Jordan was
to have been the guest of honor and was to have delivered the address of the evening
on the occasion of the formal celebration of the fiftieth anniversary. The Station
will probably be represented at the Conference by three or four members of the Staff.

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SPRAY MEN: A group of Farm Bureau spray service men from the western section of the
CONFER : State called at the Station last Saturday for one of the periodical con-
-----: ferences held with members of the Entomology Division and others on
recent developments in insect control.

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PLANS EX- : Mr. G. A. Cummings, Agricultural Engineer of the Bureau of Public
TENSIVE TESTS: Roads, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, spent some time the first of the
-----: week with Mr. Sayre in planning an extensive series of tests on ferti-
lizer placement with beans and corn. Mr. Cummings has been engaged in studies of
fertilizer placement, especially with reference to the development of suitable machin-
ery for the placing of fertilizers in particular locations with respect to the seeds
of various crops, notably cotton. It is now intended to inaugurate cooperative tests
with the Station in carrying the method to other crops. Mr. Sayre's experiments have
shown that the method of applying the fertilizer is as important, or even more import-
ant in some cases, as the fertilizer itself, particularly with such crops as peas and
beans, and it is expected that the proposed experiments with the federal Department
will supply much valuable information on this particular problem.

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VISITORS OF : Visitors of the past week included Dr. F. A. Varrelman, head of the
THE WEEK : Department of Biology of the American University at Washington, D. C.,
-----: who really should rate higher than a visitor as he spent a week and a
half in the Pomology Division studying the anatomy and fertilization of seedless
apples. Others who would more properly fall under the heading of "Visitors" were
Mr. Paul Stark of the famous Stark Brothers Nursery of Louisiana, Missouri; and
Dr. N. F. Buchwald from a veterinary science institute of Copenhagen, Denmark. The
latter was particularly interested in the operation of the Mailing Room and the
distribution of the Station publications.

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VISITING : Dr. and Mrs. Hucker left the first of the week for Iowa where they expect
IN IOWA : to do a good deal of visiting among friends and relatives for the next
-----: week or ten days. Among other things, Dr. Hucker will see his "kid"
brother graduate from Lenox College. They also plan to visit Mrs. Hucker's sister,
Miss MacKenzie at Ames.

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GENEVA : Mr. J. Taub, who is actively associated with the cheese industry in New
ABROAD : York City, while visiting the Station last Friday, predicted that the new
-----: method for making cream cheese perfected here would be introduced into
many foreign countries in the immediate future. Evidence that this is a well-founded
prediction is to be had in the daily mail received by the Dairy Division which contains
an increasing number of inquiries from abroad on the details of the procedure. With-
in the past few days letters have come from England, Colombia, Cuba, and Latvia on
this subject alone.

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MR. STREETER: Mr. Streeter was sole representative of the Station at a meeting of
REPRESENTS : Farm Bureau directors, Farm Bureau agents, and others interested in
-----: Farm Bureau work in Rochester last week. Many matters of interest to
fruit growers in particular came up for discussion at that time.

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THE BIG : And now for the really good news of the week! The Editor is leaving,
SURPRISE : tomorrow for a ten-days' absence from the Station and during that time
-----: the fortunes of the NEWS will be looked after by the girls, with Miss
Hogan officiating as Editor-in-Chief. If you have read this far, we know that you
will look forward to next week's issue with "baited" breath. Our best wishes and
heartfelt sympathy go out to the new staff.
