

The Station News

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MARKING THE : Today, in Albany, fitting ceremonies will mark the one hundredth CENTURY : anniversary of the State Agricultural Society. To those of us who : have come into the State in comparatively recent times, the State Agricultural Society has seemed to function largely as a custodian of the State's agricultural relics and history rather than as an especially potent force in present-day farm enterprises. One needs but to go back a few decades in the history of the Society, however, to find that before our present agricultural agencies came into being the State Agricultural Society included in its membership all of the recognized agricultural leaders in the State and that much of the initiative that led up to the establishment of such institutions as the College of Agriculture and this Station, for example, came from this Society. The preamble of the constitution of the Society states, "The style of this Society shall be 'The New York State Agricultural Society.' Its object shall be to improve the condition of agriculture, horticulture and the household arts." In commenting on the anniversary celebration, Commissioner Pyrke says, "Today we memorialize the fulfillment of this worthy purpose, and make record of the fact that the agriculture of New York would not be upon its present plane except for the inspiration, leadership and achievements of the Society."

DR. HEDRICK : An interesting program has been provided for the Agricultural TO SPEAK : Society meeting, including such topics as "Development of Agricultural : tural Organizations", by Dr. Hedrick; "The Progress in Agricultural Education", by Dr. Betten; "Changes in Farm Practices During the Past Century," by Dr. Ladd; and "Looking into the Future", by Dr. Eugene Davenport. At the famous old-fashioned farm supper to be held tonight, Secretary Hyde will be the guest speaker, while Governor Roosevelt is also expected to speak.

THE DAIRY : The Dairy Meetings held at Syracuse during the past week attracted MEETINGS : the anticipated attendance of 1,000. Producers and distributors were : present to discuss problems of mutual interest. Of special interest to the readers of the News is the fact that a publication prepared by Dr. Van Slyke at the Station 15 years ago was used as a guide in the discussion of the subject of standardization at a session which was attended by 500 dairymen.

AN APPRECIATION : A resolution of appreciation for the services rendered to its Association by Dr. Van Slyke was spread upon the minutes at the meeting of the New York State Dairymen's Association. Reference was made to the fact that Dr. Van Slyke had rendered a valuable service in the pioneer work of the Association, and that he had served as its President 30 years ago.

ANOTHER : A resolution of appreciation of the successful efforts of Drs. Breed RESOLUTION : and Hucker in arranging the joint meetings held at Syracuse was adopted by the New York State Dairymen's Association acting in accordance with the wishes of the five Associations participating in the joint program.

AN INVITATION : An invitation extended to the Dairy Groups by Dr. Dahlberg to visit the station this year was enthusiastically accepted. Tentative plans call for a program of one-day duration at the station during the month of August.

RE-ELECTED : Dr. Hucker was re-elected to the office of Secretary of the New York State Dairymen's Association at the annual business meeting of the Association held on January 14th.

AT ITHACA : Dr. Hucker attended the Annual meeting of the New York State Veterinarians Association held at Ithaca on January 15th. Dr. Hucker presented a paper dealing with the Mastitis Studies at the Station.

WASHINGTON : Mrs. R.C. Collison is in Washington this week representing the local CONFERENCE : unit of the League of Women Voters at the Conference on the Cause and Cure of War.

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IMPORTANT : A report of Dr.Hedrick's address delivered before the New York State
NEWS : Horticultural Society during the past week has reached all parts of
-----: the earth. The Associated Press released a news flash covering the
address.

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REAL : The inability of staff members to obtain competent stenographic
SERVICE : help when away from the Station is a fact which is frequently dir-
-----: ected to the attention of the NEWS. The situation is unique because
of the tendency to compare common office help with the efficient stenographic staff
at the Station. It is, therefore, more galant to appreciate work well done at the
Station than to condemn ordinary achievement by those infrequently called upon
to render stenographic services away from the Station.

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TO ADDRESS : On Thursday, January 21st, Dr.A.C.Dahlberg will address a Meeting
MEETING : of the General Ice Cream Corporation at Schenectady. Dr.Dahlberg
-----: will present the results of the findings dealing with the creaming
capabilities of milk studied at the Station.

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DR. THATCHER : Dr.Thatcher took advantage of attendance at a Massachusetts State
PAYS A CALL : College alumni dinner in Rochester last week to pay a brief visit
-----: to the Station. He was especially interested in going over the new
building, and noting the numerous changes which have taken place at the Station dur-
ing the brief period which has passed since he was in charge of affairs at the
Station.

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PLEASE : Our readers will note that the name of the College of which
NOTE : Dr.Thatcher is President has been changed. Dr.Thatcher designated that
-----: the name "Massachusetts Agricultural College" did not properly desig-
nate the scope and function of the college. The name was not changed in accordance
to popular belief for reasons that scientists of note refuse to work at institutions
having the word "Agriculture" or its derivative associated with its name.

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TO BEGIN ON : Excavation for the new greenhouses is to get under way this week.
GREENHOUSES : At least that is the present plan. The specifications stipulate
-----: that the houses are to be completed by April 1.

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ANOTHER : The State Horticultural Society held another successful and color-
GOOD SHOW : ful show in Rochester last week. While attendance figures will
-----: probably fall short of those of 1931, there was no lack of interest,
either in the commercial and educational exhibits or in the programs provided for
the three days of the event. One of the unusual features of the exhibit this year
was the marked increase in the fruit entries which greatly exceeded anything shown
in recent years. This fruit coupled with that from the Station and with the other
attractive displays from Cornell and Geneva helped make the joint exhibit the
"best ever".

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DR.WALTER : Dr.Walter Eddy, noted food expert, visited the Station yesterday.
EDDY : Dr.Eddy is known to the majority of us because of his contributions
-----: published monthly in the Good Housekeeping magazine. Before leaving
the Station Dr.Eddy was induced to address a special staff meeting at eleven
o'clock. Members of the staff who were able to attend this special meeting thoroly
enjoyed Dr. Eddy's remarks.

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NEWS :
BEHIND : The eleventh hour check up revealed the reason for Mr.Luckett's
THE NEWS : sudden departure for Albany. Our editor is to impersonate Dr.Jordan
-----: in a pageant given before the State Agricultural Society at Albany
on Wednesday. Our best wishes for success in this extra curricula event are
extended to Mr.Luckett.

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FROM : The Station has received an invitation extended by the Agricultural
HUNGARY : Department of the Royal Hungarian Society of Natural Science, to
attend one of its meetings. Our interest in the invitation is due
-----; to the fact that Dr.Kertesz is scheduled to present a paper at the
meeting. "Chemical Studies on the Quality of Cannery Peas" is the title of his
presentation.