

# The Station News

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A SILVER

ANNIVERSARY : When Farm and Home Week gets under way at Ithaca next Monday, it will mark the twenty-fifth annual occurrence of this popular event. Many members of the Station Staff will participate in the programs which have been arranged and which will extend thru Saturday. Those whose names appear in the printed list are as follows: Dr. Breed, Dr. Dahlberg, Dr. Glasgow, Mr. Marquardt, Mr. Parrott, Mr. Tukey, Mr. Munn, Mr. Collison, Mr. Wellington, Mr. Enzie, Dr. Horsfall, Mr. Sayre, Mr. Slate, and Mr. Tapley. Mr. Casey is scheduled for the most unique event from the Station-- twenty minutes of "Old Time Melodies" over WEAI on Friday afternoon--but more about that next week. Speakers from the Station and their topics for the first part of the week are as follows:

Tuesday, Feb. 16

Mr. Enzie--Sweet corn variety trials: History and methods of comparison and adaption of varieties

Mr. Sayre-- Something new in planting peas.

Mr. Slate-- New developments in small fruits.

Dr. Horsfall--The significance of pea root-rot to the grower and to the canner.

Mr. Tapley-- A century of bean varieties.

Wednesday, Feb. 17

Mr. Munn--Is the farmer getting and using the kind of seed he should?

Mr. Collison--Orchard soil and fertilizer problems.

Mr. Wellington--New fruit varieties at the New York Agricultural Experiment Station.

There are a limited number of programs available in the Editor's office.

First come, first served!

DR. HEDRICK : Dr. Hedrick left Monday night for Martinsburg, West Virginia, where he will address the West Virginia Horticultural Society on the subject of "New Apples". He will return to Geneva Saturday.

A BIRD OF PASSAGE : Dr. Hamilton, to the envy of all of the rest of us, is spending two weeks of a well-earned vacation amid the beauties and delights of Bermuda.

BACK ON THE JOB : Karl Brase and Mr. Crawford, one of Mr. Daniel's assistants, have returned to their duties at the Station following a semester of work at Cornell. Both report interesting and profitable periods of study.

DOCTOR KELLY : Having successfully weathered all final examinations, courses, theses, and other requirements imposed by Cornell University, Mr. Kelly last week stepped into the ranks of the Ph.D.'s amid the congratulations of his associates.

WILL SPEAK IN PHELPS : Mr. Tapley will be the speaker at the meeting of the Phelps Grange tonight when he will speak on the general topic of vegetable gardening.

WORK DELAYED : Work on the greenhouses has been temporarily halted until suitable provision can be made for a drainage sewer and also pending action from Albany on a request for a slight change in the location of the houses. The 14-foot cellar under the greenhouse goes down into the ground much too far to make it possible to run the drain into the present sewer, which is only some 6 feet below the surface of the ground. Incidentally, the time limit on this construction has been advanced to May 1.

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A WORD OF : The following resolution adopted at the Eastern Meeting of the  
APPRECIATION : State Horticultural Society at Poughkeepsie was received at the  
-----: Station on Monday:

WHEREAS, The fruit growers of the Hudson Valley are grate-  
ful for the untiring efforts of the research and extension workers  
of the New York Agricultural Experiment Station and the New York  
State College of Agriculture, and are appreciative of the personal  
sacrifices of these men in order to be present at this meeting, new,  
therefore be it

RESOLVED, That an expression of thanks of this Society be  
tendered these loyal workers, and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be sent to each,  
and the thanks of the Society also be extended to all others who  
have contributed to the success of the meeting.

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WHY : Following a plea made in last week's NEWS that unwanted experiment  
NOT? : station publications be turned over to the Library for return to the issu-  
-----: ing institution, we have received the suggestion that separates and re-  
prints received by members of the Staff but not wanted for their private files also  
be referred to Miss Rogers. She has agreed to file such material under subject  
matter headings for ease of reference. In view of the fact that fields of research  
and of interest change and that what may be welcomed by someone else at some other  
time, this suggestion would seem to us to be very much worth while.

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LAB TABLES :  
INSTALLED : The E.H. Sheldon & Company of Muskegon, Mich., has completed the  
-----: installation of the laboratory tables in the new building, having  
had four men on the job for the past ten days or so. While there are still some odds  
and ends of equipment to be supplied for some of the offices and laboratories, for  
the most part the building is well furnished and ready for business.

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A TOUR OF : For a study in contrasts, we recommend a trip thru the Dairy  
INSPECTION : Building and an inspection of the changes that have been made in the  
-----: bacteriological quarters. Passing from the wide open spaces on the  
first floor, occupied more or less fully by the Dairy Division, one finds the Bact-  
eriology Division greatly rearranged on the second floor, with no one save Dr. Breed,  
Dr. Pederson and Miss Hogan in their accustomed quarters. Either a directory or a  
guide will be needed to find other members of the Division, but once they are located  
one is impressed with the improved laboratory and office facilities now available to  
the Division. A sight of Dr. Hucker's "oriental" rug alone is worth a trip thru the  
building. When all of the contemplated changes in the building are completed, both  
the Bacteriology and Dairy Division are going to be much more satisfactorily housed  
than at any time in their history.

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EXPERIMENTAL : Equipment of an unusual character has been installed recently in the  
EQUIPMENT : chemical and dairy laboratories. In the former are to be found units  
-----: of Seitz filters for use in the work under way in the Chemistry  
Division with fruit juices, which just now are centering on cider. These filters are  
unique in that they are supposed to filter out bacteria as well as sediment, thus  
producing a supposedly sterile juice. A contrivance of this sort would have very  
obvious advantages in cidermaking. In the Dairy laboratory, the Pfaulder Company,  
makers of glass and glasslined dairy equipment, have installed two types of "vat"  
pasteurizers, one of them glass-lined, for studies of the effect of vat pasteuriza-  
tion on the creaming of milk.

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MR. GOODWIN : "Ben" Goodwin has set what we believe is a record for recovery from  
REPORTS : appendectomy (thanks Ben for the chance to use that word) when he  
-----: reported for work yesterday, less than three weeks since he entered  
the hospital. We understand, too, that Dr. Yale is making good progress toward recovery  
and that he is now able to have an occasional visitor.

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OFF TO A :  
GOOD START : The NEWS has had more than the usual interest in the Y.M.C.A.  
-----: campaign this year because of Mr. Tukey's role as leader of the  
"drive". Without doubt the high degree of success attained thus far in these difficul-  
t times is very largely due to the careful planning and the preliminary efforts of  
Mr. Tukey and his committees. Dr. Pederson, Mr. Henning, and Dr. Nebel, who are aiding in  
the canvassing, report that everywhere they are met "with a smile" and in most  
cases with more substantial recognition of the Y.