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ALL :
SET : Tomorrow is Dairy Day at the Station, and no detail to make the event
-----: a complete success has been overlooked by members of the Dairy and Bact-
eriology Divisions who have the meeting in charge, From the moment our guests arrive
tomorrow morning until the last auto pulls out in the evening, there will be enter-
tainment and amusement for all. According to the printed program, there are to be
four tours in the morning, timed so that everyone can make all four trips, if they
so desire. One of these trips will be to the dairy barn, now known in more refined
circles as the "Lactorium"; two will take in the Dairy and Bacteriology Divisions;
and the fourth will be a general tour about the Station. Following lunch will come
the more formal part of the program with addresses by Dr. Hedrick, Prof. H.H. Wing,
Dean Ladd, and others, and with music by the Skaneateles high school band. At the
conclusion of the serious part of the day's program, Mr. Rodney Pease, Farm Bureau
Agent for Ontario County, will take charge of a sports program. As usual with such
events, it is impossible to make any predictions as to attendance, but from corres-
pondence and personal contacts an exceptionally good crowd would seem to be indicat-
ed, especially if the weather man continues to hand out the same brand of August
weather that has prevailed for the past few days.

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ALL HONOR TO : The Station is to be especially honored tomorrow by the presence
PROF. WING : of Prof. Henry H. Wing, for many years head of the Department of
-----: Animal Husbandry at Cornell University. Our interest in Prof. Wing,
however, lies chiefly in the fact that he was the first member of the original
scientific staff of the Station to set foot on the Station property in March 1882.
He served as Assistant Director of the Station and was in charge of the early work
in animal husbandry here from 1882 to 1884, when he went to the University of
Nebraska. In 1888, he returned to Cornell as Deputy Director of the Cornell Exper-
iment Station where, by progressive stages, he advanced to the head of the Department
of Animal Husbandry in 1903. He held this position until 1928, when he became
Professor Emeritus. Prof. Wing is the only surviving member of that notable group
of Experiment Station workers who made up the first Station staff, the others being
Dr. E.L. Sturtevant, Director; E.S. Goff, horticulturist; and S.M. Babcock, chemist.
It is especially appropriate that Prof. Wing is to be the guest of honor tomorrow,
not only because of the prominent place he has filled in New York dairy circles for
the past fifty years, but also because of the associations with the early history
of the Station that he will bring to this celebration of our fiftieth anniversary.

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THE : The Skaneateles high school band, sixty-odd in number, will arrive on
BAND : the Station grounds at 10:30, according to the present schedule. Trans-
-----: portation, for a part of the group at least, will be supplied by the
Station truck. After the boys and girls have had an opportunity to look around the
grounds and absorb some dairy products, they will supply music for the formal
afternoon program. This is only one of the many innovations introduced by "The Manage-
ment" to make the day an outstanding event in Station history.

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HAND- : Further perusal of the printed program and conversation with these in
OUTS : charge reveals the fact that those who can qualify as "visitors" to-
-----: morrow will have an opportunity to sample some of the products of the
Dairy and Bacteriology laboratories. For example, there will be various cheeses,
sauerkraut, etc., to be sampled on the tours in the morning, while at noon the
"Free Ice Cream" sign will be hung out and generous samples of the Dairy Division's
new raspberry ice cream dispensed by several attractive young ladies.

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DAIRY INDUS- : Believing that they will survive tomorrow's festivities, the
TRY DAY : Station "Dairy Specialists" have set Friday, the 19th, as "Dairy
-----: Industry Day" and have invited in the State Ice Cream Association,
the Milk Dealers Association, and others who are concerned more with the dairy
manufactures than with the dairy farm. While this latter group will scarcely exceed
125 or 150, it is expected to be keenly interested in all that the Station is
doing even in fields outside of dairying. The same tours of inspection as provided
for tomorrow will be repeated on Friday, but in the afternoon the group will transfer
its activities to the Geneva Country Club where the remainder of the day will be
given over to golf and other diversions.

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A TRIBUTE TO : Douthitt, published by F.H. Douthitt of Chicago, largest producer
DR. VAN SLYKE: of equipment for the manufacture of milk powders, has just recently
-----: come into being, the August issue being No. 5 of Vol. 1. The current
issue carries as the leading article an account of the life and work of Dr. Van Slyke
prepared by Dr. Dahlberg, together with Dr. Van Slyke's picture on the cover. The
article is the third in a series of biographical sketches of scientists who have
contributed largely to the dairy industry, the first two subjects being Dr. Pasteur
and Dr. Babcock.

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THEY WILL : Among recent visitors in Geneva have been Mr. and Mrs. Peter
COME BACK : Carodemus, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Dayton, and Mr. and Mrs. Morton, the
-----: husbands in each case having been at one time members of the Chem-
istry Division.

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WANING : The vacation list took a sharp slump this week with only two names
-----: to be added to the list of those absent on official leave. Mr. Clark
and Mr. Howe were reported as being out for a few days.

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MR. MURRAY : We are glad to be able to report that George Murray is gaining
GAINING : steadily from injuries sustained in a fall while working around the
-----: Chemistry Building, altho he is not yet able to return to duty.

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IN CHARGE : Dr. C.P. Clauson, who was recently placed in charge of all of the
OF PARASITES : parasitic work of the U.S. Bureau of Entomology, called at the
-----: Station last week to discuss the work under way with parasites
of the oriental fruit moth and the codling moth.

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INSPECTING : Mr. Enzie left yesterday for a trip to Amherst, Mass., where he
SWEET CORN : will inspect extensive plantings of sweet corn varieties at the
-----: Massachusetts State College. He will also visit the trial grounds
of the Rice Seed Company at Cambridge, N.Y.

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HUMBLE : It was not until we began reading the Director's section of the forth-
APOLOGIES : coming Annual Report that we realized that we had been guilty of a
-----: serious oversight, namely, the announcement of the appointment to the
staff and the posting of the names in the organization list of those three genial
musketeers of the Entomology Division, the Messrs. Crawford, Cox, and Hammer. We
offer our humble apologies and state herewith that since January 1 these three men
have been rated as Assistants in Research in Entomology.

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MISS ROGERS : Miss Rogers is expected to return to her duties in the Library
EXPECTED BACK : today, following several weeks of special library training in
-----: Syracuse University summer school.

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EXONE- : A popular news story sent out each season from this Station has to do
RATED : with the preparation of a poison bait for cut worms, which are a per-
-----: ennial pest of most gardens. This spring we noticed a rather spirited
attack on the use of this bait by a reader of the Rural New-Yorker, where the Station
formula had been recommended. The objection was raised that the bait would be eaten
by birds or that birds would eat the poisoned cut worms and thus come to an early
and unhappy end. But just last week the Rural New-Yorker carries a refutation of
these charges by a Mr. O.A. Ritter of Michigan who says in part, "I have used the
bait for several years with practically 100 per cent results. I have kept close
observation for birds and have never seen a dead bird nor a live one pick up a dead
cutworm. I have stood and counted dead cut worms by the dozens lying on the ground,"
and so on, the writer stating that he had seen cut worms crawl as far as two feet
to reach the bait and believes that they will crawl ten feet if the bait is
sufficiently well scented.

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VEGETABLE : The sixth annual vegetable variety field days held under the auspices
FIELD DAYS : of the Division of Vegetable Crops of the Station and the Department
-----: of Vegetable Gardening at Cornell are to be held next Monday at
Geneva and on Tuesday and Wednesday at Ithaca. The event always attracts a representa-
tive attendance of experiment station men and graduate students. Tuesday evening Mr.
Tanley will take part in a symposium on methods of studying vegetable varieties.