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GOVERNOR'S VISIT :
IS POSTPONED :

-----: Dr.Hedrick, in a telephone conversation with Lieutenant Governor Lehman yesterday, learned that Mr. Lehman could pay only a very brief visit to the Station if he called today and that he preferred to delay his call until a later date when he would have time to see something of the work of the Station.

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CHEMISTS: With a favorable break in the weather about 150 chemists from Rochester, Syracuse, and Ithaca are expected to come to the Station next Saturday for a joint meeting of these three sections of the American Chemical Society in recognition of the Station's fiftieth anniversary. The program calls for assemble at 2:30 for a tour of inspection of Hedrick Hall and the Chemical Laboratory, together with a sampling of such fruit as may be available. At 3:30 the group will assemble in Jordan Hall where Dr. Hedrick will speak on the history of the Station. Dr. D.K. Tressler, Chief Chemist of the Birdseye Laboratories will also speak on "Certain Chemical and Sanitary Aspects of Quick Freezing and Storage of Packaged Foods." Dr.Tressler's address will be illustrated with demonstrations, exhibits, and motion pictures. Dr.Carpenter is in general charge of local arrangements.

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MEETING : Last Thursday the Fruit Testing Association enjoyed one of the most successful meetings, particularly in point of attendance, that it has had in recent years with about 150 fruit growers and others from Canada, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and other sections. An attractive exhibit of many new varieties of fruits both from the Station plantings and from private plantings, together with a display of frozen fruits and a collection of vegetable varieties, added interest to the program.

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THE NEW DIRECTOR : Announcement has been made at the College of Agriculture of
OF EXTENSION : the appointment of Prof. L.R. Simons as Director of Extension
-----: to succeed Dr.Ladd. Director Simons, who is well known to most of the Staff, was born and reared in Erie County, graduated from Cornell in 1911, and in 1914 became county agent in Nasaue County. In 1920, he was made assistant county agent leader at the College and continued in that position until 1928 when he became county agent leader.

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THE POT : Maine may or may not be a national barometer of political events,
BOILS : but there is no question about the significance of the annual
----- election of officers of the Experiment Station Club. With the appointment of the Nominating Committee, the local politicians come to life and we shall see what we shall see. The committee just appointed by President Pederson is as follows: Dr.Hucker, Mr.Streeter, Mr.Enzie, Miss Woodbridge, and Mr.Marquardt. This committee will report at the annual meeting which will follow a supper on the evening of October 3, providing no serious conflicts arise in the meantime to occasion a change in the date.

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BACK : Dr. and Mrs. Thatcher arrived in Geneva last Saturday to spend several
HOME : weeks here. They are making their headquarters at 457 Castle Street.
-----: Dr.Thatcher is planning to use the Station library during his stay, which will give ample opportunity for the Staff to renew its acquaintance with the one-time "Big Boss".

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CONFERRED ON : Dr. F.A.Waugh of the Massachusetts State College spent the week-end
LANDSCAPING : at the Station conferring with Dr.Hedrick and Mr.Van Alstyne on
-----: the landscaping of the grounds. Dr.waugh has just returned from a visit of several months in Japan and the East.

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CALLERS FROM : Dr. and Mrs.Cunningham of Riverhead called at the Station Saturday
LONG ISLAND : on their way back to Long Island following a vacation. Dr.Cunning-
-----: ham took over Dr.Clayton's position in plant pathology at the Vegetable Research Farm.

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WHO'S : The Station fares rather well in the new edition of Who's Who with
WHO : eight members of the Staff listed in that weighty volume. The list
-----: includes Dr. Breed, Dr. Conn, Dr. Dahlberg, Dr. Hedrick, Mr. Munn, Mr. Parrott,
Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Wellington.

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WHERE DO : We are asked to try and locate the destination of a consignment
THEY BELONG? : of hydrochloric acid and a box of "cork borers" that have been
-----: reposing in the basement of Hedrick Hall for some time. Possible
claimants should consult Dr. Nebel.

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PAINFULLY : Dr. W. D. Petheplace, Director of Research for the Pfaulder Company,
BURNED : who has been working with Mr. Marquardt in the Dairy Laboratory for
-----: the past several weeks on the installation of some new equipment,
received painful burns from hot water last week. That his injuries were not more
serious than they were is attributed to the well-stocked first-aid cabinet which is
maintained in the building.

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SAFE- : Bill Lydon is rejoicing in the fact that new equipment which has
GUARDED : recently been installed for sand blasting the dairy glassware tested
-----: in the Dairy Laboratory reduces to a minimum his liability of con-
tracting silicosis. The old apparatus afforded little or no protection of the op-
erator against the inhaling of considerable amounts of sand as the glassware passed
thru the blast. The new equipment is housed in a special room with controlled
ventilation which will greatly improve working conditions. With more than 35,000
pieces of glassware to mark annually, there is good reason for having the most
up-to-date equipment available.

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WHAT IS : The powers at Albany are going to try to settle that point today
ICE CREAM? : when they will fix the legal standards for ice cream. Dr. Dahlberg
-----: has been called in on behalf of the State Ice Cream Association to
aid in formulating the standards. Despite the fact that he is a recognized authority
on ice cream and that the researches with ice cream at this Station have received
wide acclaim by the industry, Dr. Dahlberg confessed some misgivings when called upon
to define ice cream for purposes of a legal code. So far as the official ice cream
testers around the Station are concerned, the folks in Albany can call it anything
they wish so long as we continue to get the brand that has been dispensed by the
Dairy Division lately.

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THESE ARE : The Librarian asks for information on the whereabouts of the follow-
MISSING : ing periodicals:
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Science, No. 1959 (July 15, 1932) and No. 1961 (July 29, 1932)
Fruit Products Journal, Vol. 11, Nos. 8 and 9.
Journal of Agricultural Research, Vol. 44, No. 4.

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THANKS JUST :
THE SAME : A surplus of space and a scarcity of news leads us to comment at
-----: this time on a matter that has long preyed on our peace of mind--
not that we entertain much hope of relief, but at least we can relieve our feelings.
We refer to the old custom, prevalent in certain quarters, of referring all agents,
especially of the insurance and book varieties, to the office of the Editor. Just
a day or two ago a gentleman stepped into our office, called us by name, and said
that he had been referred to us by two chiefs in research who make their headquarters
in the building diagonally across the street from Jordan Hall and who obviously used
this means of ridding themselves of a troublesome pest. The fact that we in turn
referred the gentleman to the Librarian and the Director has nothing to do with the
case. The point is that we are bedeviled sufficiently with salesmen of one kind or
another who find their way into our quarters unaided without adding to the list all
of those who infest the other offices on the grounds. So believe us when we say that
we appreciate the spirit in which the thing is done, but that we would appreciate
even more a high-minded self-restraint when the temptation comes to refer these
gentlemen of the road to our office when they press their claims too strongly. Why
not send them to the financial office, where at least they will be turned down by
some charming young lady.