

The Station News

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THE GRANGE
GETS UNDERWAY :

The sixtieth annual meeting of the New York State Grange opened at the armory yesterday morning and will reach a climax tomorrow night with the awarding of the sixth degree, the highest degree conferred by the State organization. The State officers and others who arrived in town early in the week expressed themselves as delighted with the preparations made by the local chamber of commerce for the convention and with the cordial reception they were receiving on all sides. Mr. Parrott presented the usual report on the work of the Station yesterday afternoon and other speakers included Dean Ladd and Dr. Bates of the College of Agriculture. Today's special features include addresses by Mr. E. R. Eastman, editor of the American Agriculturist, and Dr. G. F. Warren of Cornell. This afternoon at 5:00 o'clock the Red Corners Juvenile Grange will confer the Juvenile degree in Jordan Hall, and it is expected that a large class of candidates from the surrounding territory will present itself on that occasion. The juvenile order of the Grange takes in youngsters from five to fourteen years of age. Tomorrow at 2:30, the Ontario County Pomona Grange will confer the fifth degree in Jordan Hall, and it is expected that at least 400 Grangers will attend that ceremony. This event, coupled with the fact that tomorrow afternoon is the only free time available to most of the delegates, is expected to mark the high spot in the meeting so far as the Station is concerned, as undoubtedly that will be the time when most of the visitors will take the opportunity to inspect the Station.

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AN EXHIBIT FOR
GRANGE LECTURERS :

The entire east side of the armory is given over to a display of material recommended to the consideration of Grange lecturers arranged by Miss Elizabeth Arthur, State Lecturer. A Grange lecturer, it might be explained, is a program director and provides the entertainment and educational features of the local Grange meetings. Miss Arthur has included an exhibit of Station publications among her other suggestions to lecturers.

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STAFF MEETING
POSTPONED :

Due to conflicts with preliminary arrangements for the Grange meeting and inability to find a convenient hour for the expected speaker of the day, the Staff meeting set for last Monday afternoon was indefinitely postponed.

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OUR IN-
VALIDS :

Strictly speaking, when one who has been on the sick list is sufficiently recovered to return to one's duties at the Station he no longer rates as "news" and hence drops out of our weekly health report. For this reason we should no longer include Dr. Hedrick in this report for he appeared in his office bright and early Monday morning and attended to several details of his correspondence before calling it a day. With Mrs. Hedrick, he is planning to leave tonight for a two weeks' stay in Atlantic City, where it is hoped that the change of scenery and complete freedom from Station cares will complete the recovery that is progressing so favorably.

Our other distinguished invalids, Dr. Tukey, and Mr. Sayre are said to be doing well. With Harold it is largely a matter of regaining lost strength and weight which should be accomplished with a few weeks more of rest. Mr. Sayre writes from Winter Park, Florida, that they are enjoying Florida weather and flowers immensely. They are living in the same town where Dr. and Mrs. Thatcher are located and say that both of the Thatchers are looking well. The Sayres' address is 667 Oseola Ave.

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DR. MACK
OVER WGY :

Dr. Mack is to broadcast over WGY next Monday at 12:40 p.m., as part of the regular agricultural program of that station. His topic will be "Improvements in the Manufacture of Grape Juice."

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THE PLANT
SEMINAR :

A plant science seminar will be held in Jordan Hall tonight at 7:30, when Dr. Jenkins will discuss "The Effect on Plants of Cyanide Fumigation Following Spraying with Bordeaux Mixture."

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THE STATION AT : The twenty-sixth annual Farm and Home Week at the College of
FARM & HOME WEEK : Agriculture opens at 9:00 a.m. Monday, February 13, and dur-
-----: ing the course of the week will include many members of the
Staff on the program. Monday evening, Mr. Lockett will serve on a committee of judges
to award \$150 in prizes in the annual Farm Life Challenge debating contest, the
subject of this year's debate being "Resolved, that any deficit in state and federal
budgets be made up by a comprehensive sales tax." On Tuesday the following members
of the Staff are scheduled to discuss the topics named below:

G.H. Howe-- New varieties of tree fruits.
W.T. Tapley-- Effects of various fertilizers and rotation upon
earliness and total yield of tomatoes.
M.T. Munn-- The seed laboratory as a necessary agency in seed
and crop improvement.

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A STATION : The current number of Finger Lakes Topics, the "Official publi-
NUMBER : cation of the Finger Lakes Association of Central New York", is
-----: devoted to the Experiment Station and contains several illustra-
tions and a number of articles relating to the history and work of the Station. The
number has been widely circulated among delegates to the Grange convention in
addition to the usual wide distribution of the magazine thru numerous chambers of
commerce and a large general mailing list. Extra copies of this number may be ob-
tained in the Bulletin Room.

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ANOTHER : Every reader of the NEWS WOULD be interested in seeing a copy of
BOOKLET : the little booklet issued by the local Chamber of Commerce,
-----: entitled "A Guide Book to Geneva", which was published for the
convenience of visitors to the City this week. A limited number of copies are
available in the Bulletin Room and copies may also be obtained from the Chamber of
Commerce.

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TALKED TO :
FORESTERS : Dr. Rankin addressed New York State Forestry Association at their
-----: meeting in Rochester last Friday on the subject of "Health
Maintenance in Ornamental Trees."

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WHATEVER :
THE WEATHER : Considerable speculation on the weather was inspired yesterday
-----: by the weather flags. The signal run up on the pole comprised
the dark blue storm flag with the cold wave insignia below, so that today we
should be having "snow and much colder". There hasn't been much opportunity to use
the cold wave flag this year, but we may yet become better acquainted with this
emblem.

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TIMES : Gradually and with a minimum of expenditure our milk distributing
CHANGE : plant is being modernized. The milk room has been rebuilt and painted,
-----: and a loading platform is being built mainly for the convenience of
Mr. Brown in loading and unloading the milk from his truck. These changes call to
mind the days when our milkmen carried the milk supply from the barn to the dairy
building via human yokes. We also recall the horse hair strainer and the iron milk
pipes that were a part of the milk room equipment a decade ago. After these changes
have been made a committee will probably be called upon to investigate the "loose"
milk supply and to make an extensive survey of the milk situation similar to the
one being conducted in New York City.

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A NEW :
GENEVAN : There is rejoicing in the Rankin family over the arrival of
-----: a daughter to Helen Rankin Clark. The NEWS extends congratula-
tions to the Clarks and to the Rankins.
