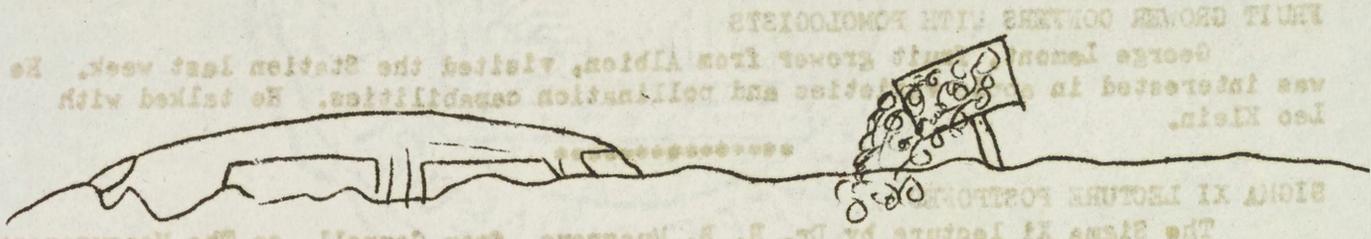


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WEEK'S WEATHER

	Maximum	Minimum	Precipitation
Feb. 9	40	30	.03 inches of rain
Feb. 10	53	33	.08 inches of rain
Feb. 11	48	20	.08 inches of rain
Feb. 12	26	12	.2 inches of snow
Feb. 13	23	10	.5 inches of snow
Feb. 14	18	9	9.5 inches of snow
Feb. 15	33	16	.8 inches of snow

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REVIEW COMMITTEE HERE FOR 3 DAYS

A comprehensive review of Fruit Breeding and Fruit Tree Propagation Research is being held in Jordan Hall on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, February 16, 17, 18. The Review Committee met with the Director on Tuesday morning and were briefed on the organization of the Station and the relationship with the Ithaca Campus of Cornell and on some background information on fruit breeding and nursery programs. Later in the morning the group made a tour of the Station's research facilities. The remainder of the programs will consist of individual conferences with members of the Pomology Department. The Review Committee is sponsored by the Office of Experiment Stations of the USDA for the purpose of reviewing and evaluating the work of departments of State Experiment Stations at the request of the Experiment Station concerned.

CHERRY RESEARCH CONFERENCE

The Red Sour Cherry Research Conference, sponsored by the National Canners Association and the National Cherry Growers Council, will be held in Jordan Hall on Wednesday and Thursday, February 24 and 25. Dr. Hand will preside over the Wednesday afternoon session. Dr. Heinicke will speak on the Aims of National Cherry Research. He will be followed by speakers from Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Cornell. Following a discussion at 3 p. m. G. A. Swanson, Michigan State Dept. of Agriculture, will speak on Progress in Objectively Estimating the Cherry Crop. Dr. Gilmer will speak on Production of Virus-free Sour Cherry Trees in New York and will be followed by speakers from Wisconsin and Michigan. The Wednesday evening program will be held at the Lafayette Inn and will begin with a Panel Discussion on Progress in the Mechanical Harvesting and Handling of Red Sour Cherries. R. T. Whittenberger, Eastern Regional Research Laboratory, U. S. D. A. and R. L. LaBelle, from the Station, will speak on Effects on Fruit Quality.

On Thursday morning T. C. Stebbins, Secretary, National Cherry Growers Council, will preside. One of the morning talks will be An Enzymatic Approach to Color Problems in Sour Cherries by Dr. J. P. VanBuren. The conference will end with a tour of the new Food Research Building led by Dr. Hand.

GRAPE GROWERS CONVENTION

A report on new developments in chemical weed control in vineyards will be featured at the 11th Annual Finger Lakes Grape Growers convention in Penn Yan on Feb. 24th. Professor Shaulis will be the speaker on weed control. Other Station speakers will be Dr. Braun, who will speak on the grape disease control situation; Dr. Taschenberg, who will speak on "Grape Insect Control"; and Herman Amberg, who will speak on Managing Grape Foliage. All Finger Lakes area vineyardists, processors and others interested in grapes are invited.

TO ATTEND MEETING IN BELTSVILLE

Dr. Clark will leave for Beltsville, Maryland on Thursday. He will attend a meeting called by the Association of Official Seed Analysts to discuss seed research.

FRUIT GROWER CONFERS WITH POMOLOGISTS

George Lamont, fruit grower from Albion, visited the Station last week. He was interested in apple varieties and pollination capabilities. He talked with Leo Klein.

SIGMA XI LECTURE POSTPONED

The Sigma Xi lecture by Dr. R. B. Musgrove, from Cornell, on The Measurement of Photosynthesis scheduled for Wednesday, February 17 has been postponed indefinitely. Dr. Musgrove has the flu.

EXCELLENT JOB OF SNOW REMOVAL

We owe thanks to Jack Gerahy and the snow plow crew for the nice job of cleaning the walks, drives, and parking lots. They worked hard Sunday and started early Monday so that Station roads, walks, and parking areas were well cleared when the Station opened for business Monday morning.

ONE WAY TO RETIRE

We are indebted to Mrs. Laura Gates, formerly Station Librarian, for word about the doings of her brother, Rex Collison and his wife in Uganda, East Africa. (Rex was agronomist here at the Station from 1912 to 1945.) Some time ago the Collisons moved from their home in California to a mission station near Kampala. At present Rex is engaged in "landscaping" 20 acres of African brush, with the "aid" of 19 natives. Soon, he and Mrs. Collison will be established in a caretaker's house in the area. In addition to this project, the Collisons are supervising the translation of literature into 12 to 15 native dialects and conduct correspondence and teacher training courses among tribes within a 100 to 150 mile area. "When work and a climate that is perpetual spring get them down, they spend a week or so on Mt. Kilimanjaro where the climate is not too different from ours and where much the same fruit is raised," says Mrs. Gates.

MAIL BAG

We have heard from the Campbells in Decature, Indiana. Bud and his family are well established as Hoosiers and enjoy it very much. And a special note to those of us who have just shoveled out a 20 inch snow-filled driveway, Bud and the boys say they MISS the snow.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Barbara Brase for her high score in the 1960 Regents College Scholarships. Barbara, with her score of 231, was among the top five scorers in Ontario County.

NOTE FROM THE TIMES

Here's an item we picked up from the Geneva Times. George Slate, whose position on fluoridation is well known, has named their car "Fluoride", because says George, she kills so many rats.

NOTICE

There is a letter in the bulletin room addressed to Maximino Torres. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Mr. Torres please advise.

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