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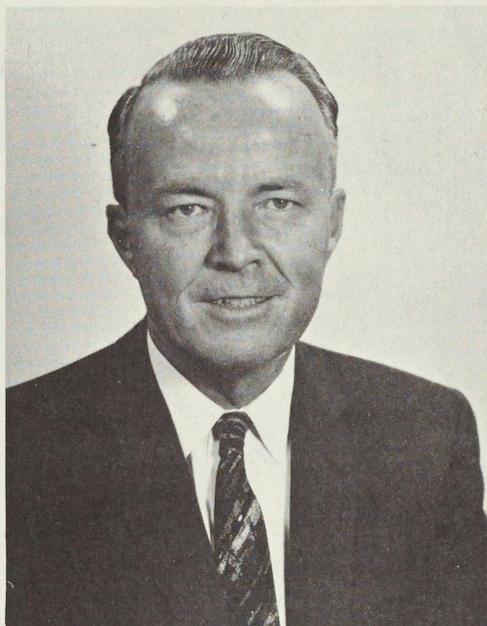
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- January 9 - 1:00 p. m. - Conference Room, Jordan Hall - Planning Committee for N. Y. State Vegetable Conference
- 11 - 10:00 a. m. - Auditorium, Jordan Hall - Cooperative Extension Service: "Management of Large Dairy Farms"
- 11 - 7:30 p. m. - Staff Room, Jordan Hall - Workshop in Arts -- Girl Scouts
- 11 - 8:00 p. m. - Conference Room, Jordan Hall - Finger Lakes Stamp Club
- 12 - 4:00 p. m. - Auditorium, Jordan Hall - Sigma Xi: "The Silent Explosion - Population Growth vs. World Resources," Everett Hafner, Professor of Physics and Astronomy at the University of Rochester
- 13 - 8:00 p. m. - Staff Room, Jordan Hall - Astronomy Club

DAVE HAND STEPS DOWN AS FOOD SCIENCE HEAD

Dave Hand, Head of the Department of Food Science and Technology for the past 20 years, has asked to step down from that position effective January 1, 1967. Dave made the request so that he could concentrate the remaining years until his retirement on research.

During his 20 years as department head, Dave has been personally responsible



for many changes in the food research program. Perhaps most notable was the planning and design of a \$4 million Food Research Laboratory constructed in 1960. Dave took over the headship just 2 years after the department was formed. It is now the largest department in the Station, having more than 80 persons on its staff and operating on an annual budget of \$800,000.

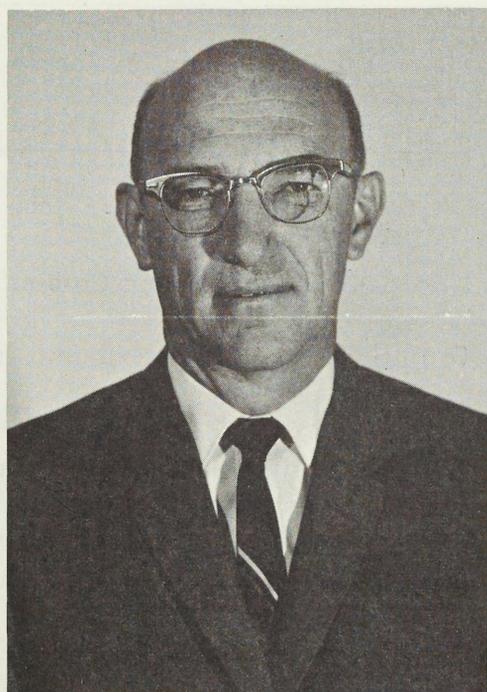
Under Dave's leadership, a laboratory for animal experiments was installed and equipped to study the effects of processing on the nutritive value of various foods. Recently, he has worked closely with the wine industry to develop an expanded research program in this area. The suc-

cessful operation of this cooperative program between industry and the Station is serving as a model for future such programs on other foods.

Dave's talents are not confined only to New York food processing problems, for he has gained a world-wide reputation in the field of international agriculture. He has served on several nutritional survey teams that visit foreign countries, and was asked by Cornell and the University of the Philippines to assist in the planning and the development of a department of food technology in Los Banos. He is currently a member of the Food and Nutrition Board and the Food Protection Committee of the National Academy of Sciences--National Research Council, Washington, D. C.

WILLARD ROBINSON APPOINTED ACTING HEAD OF FOOD SCIENCE

Willard Robinson has been appointed Acting Head of the Department of Food Science and Technology effective January 1, 1967 until the position can be permanently filled.



Willard has a strong research background in the biochemistry of horticultural products with special reference to quality determinations. He received his B. S. degree from Pennsylvania State College in 1940, his M. S. degree from the University of Illinois in 1942, and his Ph. D. with a major in animal nutrition and minors in biochemistry and physiology, from the University of Illinois in 1943.

He joined the staff of the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station in 1943, and has made notable contributions in relating chemical and physical properties, particularly color, to the quality of food products. In recent years, Willard has done considerable research on New York State wines regarding color stability and production standards.

In 1953, Dr. Robinson was asked to serve as Technical Secretary for the Food Protection Committee, National Academy of Sciences--National Research Council, Washington, D. C. for a year, and since then he has been serving as a member of the Food Technology Subcommittee. He is a member of the Institute of Food Technologists and the American Society of Enologists and belongs to the honorary societies, Phi Lambda Upsilon, Gamma Alpha, Gamma Sigma Delta, and Sigma Xi.

ROBINSON RETURNS FROM SURVEY ASSIGNMENT

Willard Robinson and wife, Alice, have returned from an interesting visit to Central America. Robby participated as food technologist in a nutrition survey of Honduras conducted by the Office of International Research in cooperation with the Institute of Nutrition of Central America and Panama. After 5 weeks of traveling by jeep, plane, and boat in the course of evaluating the food production and processing facilities of Honduras, he was joined by Alice for a short vacation trip which included visits to Guatemala, San Andres, and New Orleans.

San Andres is a small Caribbean island, relatively unknown to tourists from the U.S.A. Belonging to Colombia, it is 300 miles north of South America, 110 miles from Central America, and 250 miles southwest of Jamaica. Its clear waters and clean sandy beaches are perfect for snorkel swimming, boating, and relaxation. During its fascinating history, it has belonged to Holland, England, Spain, Portugal, France, "The Allied Republics of Buenos Aires and Chile," Nicaragua, United States, and Colombia. In the 1640's, a group of New England Puritans decided to abandon the rigorous Massachusetts climate and set out in two boats for this tropical paradise. But in the interim between departure and arrival, the Spanish had taken over the island, and the Puritans were turned back by Spanish guns. The infamous pirate, Henry Morgan, used the island as a headquarters while preying on the Spanish gold fleets under auspices of the British.

ENTOMOLOGY-PLANT PATHOLOGY BUILDING ON SCHEDULE

Sandy Davis reports that construction is proceeding satisfactorily on the new Entomology-Plant Pathology building. So far, the cold weather has proved no obstacle and unless an extreme cold spell sets in, it should not interfere with progress on the building.

MEETINGS

The NE 35 and NE 48 Regional Meetings will be held in New York City January 3-6.

Foster Gambrell is currently attending the American Association for the Advancement of Science Meetings in Washington, D. C. December 26-31.

Al Avens spent December 14 reporting on the Station's work concerning the Official Inspection of Agricultural Liming Materials for the 1965-66 seasons at the Winter Meeting of the New York State Lime Association held on the Ithaca campus.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

Gregory Wooster accepted an appointment as a research associate in Food Science and Technology effective December 16. He is a chemical engineer from Cornell and will work with Jim Moyer and George Saravacos on pilot plant projects. Greg and his wife live at the Pinecrest Apartments here in Geneva.

Gregory Failing, who has spent the last 3 months in Food Science as a participant in the Rochester Institute of Technology Cooperative-Work-Study Program leaves today to return to his studies at R. I. T. January 3.

Sung Ock (Terry) Lee, who has been working with Stan Shannon since last March in Vegetable Crops, has left the department to continue her education at Berkeley, California.

Daniel F. Farkas has resigned his position as Extension Food Processing Specialist in Food Science to accept a position with the ARS at its Western Regional Utilization and Development Division in California. Dan's resignation is effective February 14, but he and his family will be leaving January 5. He will be conducting engineering research on his new job.

HEALTH AND HAPPINESS REPORT

John Gigliotti is a patient in the Geneva General Hospital where he is undergoing tests.

WANDERING MINSTRELS

Morie and Winnie Vittum flew to Ypsilanti, Michigan December 27 to attend a nephew's wedding.

Marilyn Mautz, Food Science, is spending the holidays vacationing in Trinidad.

Many members of the Entomology staff are vacationing in various parts of the country. Jeanne Cleere is spending the holidays in the Los Angeles area, the Lippolds were in Chicago for Christmas, the Roelofs are visiting in Iowa, and the Lienks are in Canada.

NOTE OF INTEREST

If you are looking for additional work, there is in the library some material from the Personnel Division of the Agricultural Research Service, U.S.D.A., concerning career opportunities for chemists, entomologists, economists, marketing specialists, statisticians, engineers, physicists, technologists, microbiologists, parasitologists, pharmacologists, plant scientists, soil scientists, human nutrition, consumer economics, food economics, veterinarians, animal scientists, plant quarantine inspectors, and plant pest control inspectors.

DAVE HAND HONORED BY FOOD SCIENCE STAFF

More than 90 persons in the Food Science Department honored Dave Hand last night at a party at the Lafayette Inn. Guests included Dean Charles E. Palm and Director Barton. Jim Moyer served as spokesman for the Department of Food Science and Technology.

In addition to comments by the Dean and Director, Dave was presented with a new electronic flash gun attachment for his camera and a photograph album containing pictures of the dedication ceremonies for the Food Research Laboratory in 1960.

WEATHER

	Maximum	Minimum	Rain, Melted Snow, etc.
December 17	42	28	
18	51	33	
19	47	17	
20	26	14	.02
21	33	23	.01
22	32	20	
23	30	13	.05
24	25	14	
25	29	19	.02
26	25	17	.02
27	28	20	.09
28	29	9	.08
29	32	12	.14
30	34	24	

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