

TAPLEY ELECTED

At the Agricultural College Faculty meeting last Wednesday in Ithaca it was announced that Professor W. T. Tapley had been elected a member of the Experiment Stations Committee. In addition to Bill, the Station delegation on this committee includes Dr. O. F. Curtis and Dr. G. E. R. Hervey.

ALSO ELECTED

The University Club of Geneva wound up its 1948-49 season Monday evening at the Seneca Hotel, and among other things, elected officers for 1949-50. These include Larry Carruth as Secretary and Nelson Shaulis as a member of the Board of Directors.

ROYALLY ENTERTAINED

About twenty members of Ceres Circle were guests of the Agricultural College in Ithaca Monday afternoon at a tea at the home of Mrs. A. I. Winsor. The attractive setting, good weather, and lavish entertainment combined to make the occasion a most pleasant one.

FUTURE DATES

Organized groups coming to the Station in the course of the next few weeks include a class of thirty students from the agricultural school at Farmingdale on May 17th; agricultural college editors and their families on July 8th; and the Men's Garden Club of Buffalo on July 9th.

ADDRESSED ALFRED GROUP

Last Thursday, Doctor Pederson and Doctor Lee journeyed to Alfred to speak to the Food Processing Club at the University, at its annual dinner meeting.

THE YOUNGEST YOUNG

Harry III dropped in on the Harry Youngs last Friday night, weighing in at eight and a half pounds, at the Geneva General Hospital. Our congratulations to the parents...and you can pass the Editor's cigar over this way, Harry.

NEXT WEEK IN CINCINATTI

Four of our colleagues will attend the annual meeting of the Society of American Bacteriologists in Cincy, May 17th thru 20th. Doctor Breed will preside at Tuesday night's dinner meeting of contributors to Bergey's Manual; Doctor Conn will give the report of the Committee on Bacteriological Technique; Doctor Hofer will speak to Friday morning's session regarding "Bacteriophage under the Phase Microscope"; and Doctor Pederson will attend various committee meetings.

AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY MEETING

Planning to attend next Monday night's meeting of the Rochester Section of the American Chemical Society are Doctors Boyle, Lee, and Holley. Speaker for the evening will be Doctor Severo Ochoa of the NYU School of Medicine, who will speak on dicarboxylic acid.

Veg Crops seems to be hitting the big time with all the fancy machinery they've been using lately. Last weekend, Doctor O. C. French, head of Ag Engineering at Ithaca, and "Dee" Pew spent a quiet Sunday plowing and fitting some land out Fredonia way, in preparation for an experiment on the most efficient use of fertilizer with tomatoes. Doc French himself was in the saddle from around sunrise until past sunset getting the job done. The same fancy machine which was used for the fertilizer placement at Fredonia will be here tomorrow to set up similar tests on carrots at the Darrow farm and at the Tichnor farm near Hall. This phase of the experiment is a co-operative project involving Ag Engineering at Ithaca and the USDA. Consequently, Doctor French will be back again, along with Mr. G. A. Cummings of the USDA engineers. Inasmuch as we're having some pretty high brass handle the plowing, we're anxious to see who does the planting.

RAISING CAIN?

Here's one for Ripley. When the J. C. Cain's made an inspection of the house they bought recently, out Carter Road, they found an old trunk in the attic. Old trunks hold enchantment for most people...and the Cain's aren't exceptions—so curiosity took over. As John Carleton Cain wiped the dust away he was surprised to see the name "Bridget Cain" appear. Coincidental, you might say. Naturally, they made haste to look inside, where they found several old documents inscribed with the name, "John Cain". John Carleton is quite sure that he never lived there so it must be someone else, (Marvelous, Watson.) He's still investigating and would appreciate any clues as to the identity of the family.

BUILDING IDENTIFICATION

The placing of the new name plaques on three of our buildings sent us into the Sperry archives to dig up a little history. The signs have been placed on Jordan, Hedrick, and Sturtevant, only, inasmuch as the Entomology and Chemistry buildings will be razed in favor of the new building program. The purchase of Sturtevant dates back to 1899 and this will be our oldest building when Entomology (1840's?) and Chemistry (1893) bite the dust. Jordan was dedicated in 1918 and Hedrick was christened in 1932. And in case you've wondered, too, the new tablets are made of Benedict Nickel.

SMALL TALK

Doctor Hucker spent Sunday and Monday in Elmira attending the annual district conference of the 171st district of Rotary...Betty Winkle appropriately spent Mother's Day at her home in Wilkes Barre, Pa....Doctor Chapman inspected the Hudson Valley projects on Monday and Tuesday.....Isabel Chartres has left the fold to assume new duties with the State Department in Washington....Ed Smith has moved into the office formerly occupied by the late Doctor Glasgow.....Robinson and Moyer spent last Wednesday in the Hammondsport area inspecting.....ah....grape processing plants.....If you see Professors Hartzell and Gambrell talking to the pigeons during the next few days, don't worry....they're just going all out on the annual bird census which is scheduled for next Sunday. Fred tells us that upwards of a hundred different species have been counted in this area...

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Our erstwhile confrere, H. B. Tukey, is still an avid reader of the STATION NEWS (naturally). We received a letter from him a couple days ago in which he comments on our story of the horse that was white, on one side anyway. Says he, "...reminds me of an experience I had around 1920 at one of my first meetings of the AAAS. As I stepped out of a building I remarked to someone 'It's going to rain'. An elderly man who was a stranger to me, turned and said, 'Young man, when you are as old as I am, you will not say that. You will say 'From the evidence at hand, as I see it, it appears as though it might rain.'"

"Try to be nice to everyone until you have made your first million-after that, they'll be nice to you."