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STAFF MEETING

The regular Staff meeting for September is scheduled for Monday, September 9th, at 3:30 p. m. All members of the Staff are requested to advise their Division secretary before noon of the 9th as to whether they expect to attend the meeting.

TO TALK ON CABBAGE

Doctor Reinking will address a field meeting of Pennsylvania farmers near State College, Pa., next Friday on work underway here on the development of strains of cabbage resistant to cabbage yellows. Several of the Station strains are under test in Pennsylvania, and Doctor Reinking plans to visit some of these test plantings. The field day is under the direction of Professor L. O. Weaver, assistant extension plant pathologist at Pennsylvania State College, and formerly a member of the Plant Pathology Division here.

HUDSON VALLEY TOUR

Representatives of fungicide and insecticide manufacturers and others interested in research on disease and insect pest control on fruit trees assembled at the Station's Hudson Valley Fruit Investigations Laboratory at Poughkeepsie on August 27th for a tour of test plots in the Hudson Valley. The tour was conducted jointly by the Laboratory and the U. S. Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine. Doctors R. W. Dean, D. H. Palmiter, J. A. Adams, and J. L. Brann of the Station Staff, and Dr. D. W. Hamilton of the U. S. D. A. participated in the tour.

GREATLY IMPROVED

Mrs. Ruth Sherman is reported to be much improved following second degree burns suffered in a flash fire from an ether explosion in the vitamin assay laboratory last week. Quick thinking on the part of Mrs. Sherman and others in the laboratory undoubtedly prevented the accident from having more serious consequences, but it was a painful and harrowing experience nonetheless. Our best wishes for Ruth's speedy and complete recovery.

A CRUSHED FINGER

With everyone in the building still jittery from Mrs. Sherman's accident, James Kelland added his bit by getting a finger caught in an air cooling unit in Doctor Moyer's laboratory, resulting in a second emergency run to the Geneva General Hospital within 24 hours. Jim was soon bandaged up, however, with no permanent injury contemplated, and was able to return to work the same afternoon. But occupants of the dairy building are keeping their fingers crossed for victim No. 3!

IN NEW MEXICO

Dr. and Mrs. Conn have received word from Herbert, who by the way is now a T/4 on detached service, telling of his transfer from Fort Knox to Santa Fe, N. M. He was recalled from furlough to take over his new assignment.

BLOOD DONORS

While on the subject of "sick call", we are glad to report that George Murray, formerly janitor in the Chemistry Building, is making good progress toward recovery following an emergency operation at the Geneva General Hospital last week. Five Station employees responded to a call for volunteers for a blood transfusion for George, but only two were found to have the proper type. This incident has led to a suggestion--and a good one we think--that somewhere, possibly in the business office, it would be well to have a list of Station employees who would be willing to volunteer as blood donors, together with a record of their blood type, in order that emergencies such as the one involving George Murray last week might be met with a minimum of delay.

NUT GROWERS

Professor George Slate is attending the annual meeting of the Northern Nut Growers Association in Wooster, Ohio, this week.

VACATION IN GENEVA

Mr. and Mrs. Harold G. Beattie and son Dick spent a few days of their vacation in Geneva last week and the Labor Day week-end, visiting Mrs. Beattie's mother. They left yesterday for a motor trip to northern New York and New England before returning to New York City.

\$1.50 VS. ????

"Cap" Bigelow reports upon his return from a vacation trip to Maine and other points in New England that tomatoes in that area are quite free from the potato blight that has worked such havoc on the tomato crop in this State. At least there are plenty of tomatoes in the northeastern part of the country at present, he says, with prices around \$1.50 a bushel as compared with two to three times that amount in this section--if, indeed, any are to be had at any price.

CHEMISTS IN CHICAGO

Doctor Z. I. Kertesz and Mr. Robert J. McColloch are planning to attend the meetings of the American Chemical Society in Chicago next week. Mr. McColloch, who has been granted a year's leave of absence, will then proceed to Kansas State College at Manhattan where he will engage in graduate work leading to the Ph. D. degree.

OPENS NEW LABORATORY

Several invitations have been received at the Station for the opening of a new laboratory in Westport, Conn., by Doctor Donald K. Tressler and Associates on Saturday, September 7th. Among others to be associated with Doctor Tressler in the enterprise is Mr. Clarence W. DuBois who was engaged in freezing investigations here at the same time that Doctor Tressler headed up the work of the Chemistry Division.

HOP PICKING

Hop picking is now in full swing in the Station's experimental hop yard at Waterville and in cooperative tests in that area. Professor J. D. Harlan and Doctor R. E. Foster are supervising the harvesting of the crop on the test plots.

STATION VISITORS

Visitors to the Station during the past few days included General M. F. Shallenberger of Harrods Creek, Ky., who called to consult with Professor Wellington on varieties and culture of wine grapes; Dr. Ed. Zbinder of Berne, Switzerland, representative of a large food processing concern in his native land, who spent two or three days reviewing phases of food processing under investigation here; Dr. Benj. L. Wolf of the Seabrook Farms at Bridgeton, N. J., who was interested chiefly in Professor Sayre's canning crops investigations; and Marcial Ibarra of Mexico City who has been studying food processing at the University of California and who wanted to see the work under way here in that field.

NEW BOOKS

The following are recent acquisitions in the Station Library:

Shepherd, G. S.	Agricultural price control.
Murray, W. G.	Agricultural finance.
Bunce, A. C.	Economic nationalism and the farmer.
Nicholls, W. H.	Imperfect competition within agricultural industries.
Bunce, A. C.	Economics of soil conservation.
Wilson, D. W.	Preparation and measurement of isotope tracers.
Steinhaus, E. A.	Insect microbiology.
