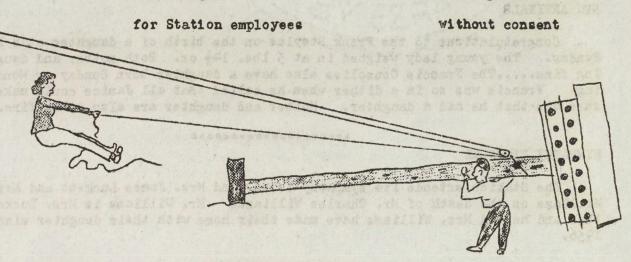
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TO PARTICIPATE IN CHICAGO MEETINGS

Dr. Austin Wagenknecht is leaving Friday for Chicago to attend the Federation meetings. Austin Will present a paper "The Isolation of Phosphatidyl Inositol From Peas" before the American Society of Biological Chemists. Dr. Holley Will also attend the meetings which will be held April 14th to 19th.

EXPERT FROM BELTSVILLE

Dr. Sam Dutky from the Section of Bee Keeping and Insect Pathology will arrive at the Station next Tuesday. Dr. Dutky will assist Station entomologists in determining the cause of the recent high mortality rate among the European chafer grubs collected by the entomologists for test purposes. He will be accompanied by Mr. Richardo Isla, a student from Chili.

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DR. FORSHEY PAYING A VISIT

Dr. Forshey from the Poughkeepsie Lab is spending the latter part of this week at the Station conferring with his colleagues in the Pomology Department.

USDA MEN VISIT THE FOOD SCIENCE DEPT.

Dr. Sidwell from the Agricultural Marketing Service of the USDA at Beltsville and Mr. Decker from the Agricultural Engineering Section of the USDA at Beltsville will visit the Food Science Department on Monday. They are interested in an experimental texturemeter under development at the Station.

SCIENCE JUDGES

Dr. and Mrs. Gambrell were judges at the Central Western Zone High Schools Science Congress at Brockport State Teachers College last Saturday. Foster said there were over 600 entries, so the judges really had a job cut out for them.

GARDEN CLUB TO MAKE A TOUR

The Seneca Trail Garden Club from I rondequoit will visit the Station Thursday morning. Most of their time will be spent in the Greenhouses where they will view some of the experimental work. Station specialists will be on hand to speak briefly about their projects. The tour will end with a trip to the rootstock farm and a talk by Karl Brase.

BIOLOGY STUDENTS FROM GENEVA HIGH VISIT STATION

Mrs. Glasgow brought her biology classes from Geneva High to the Station on Wednesday. There was a total of 110 students divided into 5 groups. Each group spent an hour touring the Station greenhouses and Entomology Department. Various Station scientists spoke briefly on aspects of their work.

PENNSYLVANIA FRUIT GROVERS VISIT STATION PLANTINGS

Two fruit growers, Mr. Trostel and Mr. Traylor from Biglerville, Pennsylvania, visited the Station on Tuesday. They were very much interested in apple trees on E. M. Rootstocks and spent some time with Karl Brase.

VISITORS FROM PENN STATE

Dr. and Mrs. Leonard Mattick from the Dairy Science Department at Penn State visited the Food Science Department last week, and looked over the work in progress.

NEW ARRIVALS

Congratulations to the Frank Stoylas on the birth of a daughter at 8 P.M. on Sunday. The young lady weighed in at 5 lbs. 14½ oz. Both mother and daughter doing fine....The Francis Consolies also have a daughter born Sunday or Monday morning. Francis was so in a dither when he called that all Janice could make out for sure was that he had a daughter. Mother and daughter are also doing fine.

SYMPATHY EXTENDED

The Station extends its sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. James Luckett and Mrs. Charles Williams on the death of Mr. Charles Williams. Mr. Williams is Mrs. Luckett's father and he and Mrs. Williams have made their home with their daughter since May 1956.

MAIL BAG

The girls in the lab heard from Dr. Kertesz last week while he was in Vienna. The Kertesz's were leaving soon for Athens and have now probably arrived in Turkey where he will make his headquarters. Both are having a fine time.

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SOCIAL NOTE

Friday afternoon the Food Science Department threw a farewell party for Dr. Ernest Sondheimer and presented him with a briefcase as a going away present. Ernie left this week for his new job at the School of Forestry in Syracuse.

COUNTRY LIFE

After living in apartments for the last ten years this writer purchased a 100 acre farm last fall and this spring is again becoming intimately acquainted with the business end of hoes, rakes, shovels, pitchforks, wheelbarrows, and last but by no means least, post-hole diggers. Included in this re-education process is the appreciation of the merits of barnyard manure for gardens and lawns, (a course which the wife flunked miserably), and a graduate course in the inate perversity of inanimate objects (mainly rocks and boulders).

Last Sunday afternoon, as part of the landscaping project it was decided to erect our martin house at one corner of the yard. This involved, just as a limbering up exercise, an hour's work with the post-hole digger. While this writer is sentimentally attached to this martin house and its telephone pole sized supporting pole (they were both shipped up from Virginia with the furniture), it is fervently hoped that this is the last time they will be moved. The martin house is roughly the size of a sofa, contains 32 apartments, 16 to a side, and weighs about 60 lbs. and the driftwood red cedar pole weighs another 200. In spite of a block and fall the 95 pound wife just didn't have enough heft to hold what the writer gained by heaving up on the heavy end of the pole. A short piece of 2 x 6 was obtained and a routine of ...heave....brace...take up the strain with the block and fall to be effective and pull it up the rest of the way. Then all that remained to do was to shinny up the pole and pound the top with a hammer for ten minutes to settle the house firmly. Even the wife agrees that it adds to the appearance of the place, we walked half a mile down the road and back to get a good perspective.

We sincerely hope that New York martins will be as appreciative as Virginia ones. One thing is for sure, the starlings and English sparrows certainly are.

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