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THE FOOD PROCESSORS

Program plans for the food processing meeting to be held at the Station next Wednesday are shaping up. Headliners for the day include Mr. H. E. Babcock who will speak during the luncheon period and Dean W. I. Myers who will address the group in the evening following dinner at the Seneca Castle Grange. Doctor L. A. Maynard, Director of the School of Nutrition at Ithaca, will appear on the afternoon program. Doctor Heinicke will discuss progress in the development of improved varieties of fruits and vegetables for processing, and members of the Division of Food Science and Technology will report on current research. Doctor Hand will set the pattern for the day with opening remarks on the purpose of the meeting and comments on the research program on food processing under way in Cornell University. The session will close with a discussion period and "Question Box" to be led by Doctor Hucker.

ITHACA MEETINGS

Several members of the Staff are taking part in meetings and conferences at the College of Agriculture this week. Yesterday, Professor Tapley, Doctor Reinking, and Doctor Foster attended a meeting of the College Seed Committee called by Doctor H. H. Love, Chairman. This committee passes on new introductions and recommendations of varieties. Beginning today and extending thru Friday, the 10th annual insecticide and fungicide conference will occupy the attention of the entomologists and pathologists. Doctor Reinking will preside at the Friday morning session and Doctor Chapman Friday afternoon. Other Staff members participating will include Doctors Schroeder, Carruth, Glass, Dean, Taschenberg, Hamilton, Palmiter, Braun, Hervey, Gambrell, and Young.

FLAVOR TESTING

The second in the series of Station seminars will be held in Daguerre Hall this afternoon at 4:00 o'clock when Professor Hening will discuss flavor testing techniques. He has a bulletin on the subject "in the works" and is well primed for a discussion of the topic. Doctor Foster and his committee have come up with a schedule of seminars for the second and fourth Wednesday of each month thru June 8, 1949, and have even made a start on the fall program with a talk by Doctor Kertesz on "Food Science in Australia" in September. The program provides for a variety of specialized topics interspersed with general discussions by Division heads of the research program of each Division.

IN VERMONT

Doctor Dean will represent the Station at the New York and New England Spray Service conference to be held in Burlington, Vt., Thursday and Friday of this week. Ralph will make a quick hop from the Ithaca conference where he is to speak on Thursday to the Vermont meeting for a personal appearance on Friday.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Mr. George Bliss who has been employed in the machine shop and pilot plant of the Division of Food Science and Technology terminates his connections with the Station on the 15th and is going into business for himself in Ithaca. His immediate project is the development of the electronic egg grader, the use of which was discussed by Professor A. L. Romanoff of the College of Agriculture in Farm Research last year. Miss Shirley Watkins of the Division of FS&T has resigned her position effective November 24th. A recent appointment to the Division is Miss Elizabeth Winkel as research assistant. Miss Winkel is a 1948 graduate of Bucknell and is from Pittston, Pa. Mr. Bruce Maples of Geneva, a 1948 graduate of William and Mary College, is assisting Doctor Pearce temporarily.

MR. CAIN

Doctor Cain was called to his home in Homestead, Fla., last Saturday upon the death of his father. We extend sympathy to Doctor Cain and the family in their loss.

MRS. YALE

It is with deep regret that we note the death last Saturday of Mrs. M. W. Yale at her home in Patterson, Calif., following a long illness. Doctor Yale served as a member of the Bacteriology Division here from 1924 to 1943 and is now employed in commercial dairy work. Both Doctor and Mrs. Yale were most active in Station and community affairs while residents of Geneva. Our sincere sympathy to Maurice and the family.

CANADIAN DELEGATION

Doctor Hucker played host to two visitors from Canada last week who spent two days at the Station discussing the cleaner-sanitizer research and the possibilities of adapting the results to Canadian conditions. They were C. K. Johns, Dominion bacteriologist and Doctor Jones who was especially interested in the program from the food processing angle.

RENEWING CONTACTS

Doctor Norman Wright, Chief Scientific Advisor to the British Food Ministry, called on Doctor Hand and other members of the Food Science Division last Friday. Doctor Wright studied at Cornell from 1924 to 1928.

CONGRATULATIONS

Arnold Rechsteiner and Miss Marian Keebler were married on October 30th and are making their home at 30 North Morrell Avenue. Mr. Rechsteiner worked with the Entomology Division during the summer months.

A LETTER OF THANKS

Doctor Hand is in receipt of a letter from Harold M. Simpson, General Chairman of the Geneva Community Chest campaign, which reads, in part, as follows:

"We are particularly grateful to the personnel of your organization for the part they played in securing the largest sum ever raised by the Geneva Community Chest. The quota for the Experiment Station was \$1,150 and 104% of it was raised--\$1,198.00 having been subscribed."

WANTA PLAY?

Do you like to play handball? Would you like to organize a Station basketball team and play in a YMCA league? Do you like to swim? If so, the Geneva YMCA is holding its annual membership campaign this week and is ready to provide practically any type of recreation desired. There are two handball courts, a good gym for basketball, volley ball, and other sports, and an excellent pool. Senior membership in the Y, including the use of a box locker, costs \$12 a year. The ladies are welcome and can hold membership for \$5.00 a year, with use of the pool at specified times. High school boys pay \$8.50 with broad privileges, while younger boys pay \$6.00 and girls \$4.00. Doctor Pederson and Mr. Lockett will be glad to furnish more detailed information about accommodations and privileges for those who may be interested in keeping fit at the Y. Or perhaps you would like to make it possible for some youngster to use the Y in which case there are "scholarship" memberships.

FRANKLY--IT STINKS!

Mr. LeFevre holds some sort of a record among the Station nimrods--at least he has something to show for his efforts. In fact you can tell it from a long way off! And he did it with his bare hands, too! As a real woodsman should. We refer to his latest trophy, a live 'possum which he snatched near Sampson the other day. At the time our inquiring reporter called upon Mr. LeFevre his "catch" was on display in a rubbish can behind the Entomology Building. If you want to see it, just follow your nose!

FOUND--A KEY

Bob Larsen has turned in a flat key found on the steps of the carpenter shop. It bares the mark "SK 89" and is attached to a clasp commonly found in "keytainers". It may be claimed at the Editor's office.

LAND GRANT COLLEGE MEETINGS

Doctor Heinicke is in Washington this week for the annual meeting of the Land Grant College Association.

ALSO ITHACA BOUND

The Editor and Editorial Assistant, Bob Wesselmann, will be in Ithaca tomorrow to meet members of the Department of Extension Teaching and Information and to discuss plans for the January Farm Research, exhibits at the winter meetings, radio, and other joint activities.
