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BEAUTIFUL PICTURES

Dr. Hucker's premier showing of movies, most of them in color, made on his recent New Zealand venture was enthusiastically received by a crowd of 150 or more last Friday evening. The pictures were beautiful and supplemented with comments by Dr. Hucker on their travels and experiences, made a most delightful program. Mrs. Hayward and Mrs. Kokoski supervised the serving of light refreshments following the program.

A SUCCESSFUL SHOW

The Geneva Garden Club did itself proud in its first flower show of the season; in fact, interest in the show was so marked that it was continued thru Sunday and was well attended at all times. The program Friday evening, with the address by Mr. Boerner of Newark, attracted over a hundred persons.

THE GROUP PICTURES

Prints of the group pictures made last week are expected to be on display in the Director's office today when a selection can be made for those who have indicated their intention of purchasing a copy. Others who may wish to place orders can still do so by getting in touch with Miss Jessie Sperry and indicating which picture they prefer.

A REAL FESTIVAL

The Western New York Apple Blossom Festival at LeRoy was an unqualified success as a regional spectacle even discounting newspaper estimates of a 30,000 attendance. Those who have followed the development of this Festival were amazed at the tremendous growth in interest just within the past year. With Geneva tentatively agreed upon as the host city for 1939, the local talent has a real task laid out for it in meeting the high standards set at LeRoy last week. Incidentally, Mr. Hartzell took both colored and black and white movies of the tri-county Festival here on May 14 and of the LeRoy Festival which should prove interesting to those who may be involved in next year's event.

LAST CALL

Final plans and specifications for the Station's exhibit at the World's Fair will be completed this week and transmitted to the New York State World's Fair Commission.

ENJOYING ENGLAND

A letter from the Henings tells of comfortable living quarters found near the Institute and of numerous excursions into London and nearby places, with emphasis upon the cordial reception accorded them by the staff of the Institute and the interesting times they are having.

A GOOD RECORD

The Station group may well be pleased with its response to the Community Chest last week. While no specific quota was set up for the Station, contributions from here totaled \$575, with a grand total of \$984.75 for the "Division" of which the Station was a part. The quota for the Division, which also included the Hospital and Hobart College, was \$725.

Dr. Tukey was elected President of the University Club at the annual neeting of that organization last Wednesday evening. At the same time Dr. Tressler was made a member of the Board of Directors. Club activities will resume in the fall.

"CHAMPEEN" POLE VAULTER

We are indebted to an unidentified contributor for the following item:

"The proper technic of pole vaulting was ably demonstrated
by a member of the Station staff in a recent 'field day'.

For further details, consult Elmer."

PAID UP

In this column we delight in honoring those who make payment in kind for their subscription to the NEWS. This time it is Dr. Willits who wins our gratitude for a generous sample from his maple syrup project. May the NEWS be sweet to him for the coming year!

WE ARE THANKED

The following letter received from students of the Facer School near Romulus should really be shared by all of those who contributed to the entertainment of the youngsters who visited the Station recently:

"The pupils of Facer School asked me to write you a letter of thanks. Of all the things we saw we thought the testing of seeds was the most interesting. It was of much interest to see the good and bad seeds and determine whether they would grow or not. We learned that the farmers could send their seeds in and have them tested free of charge. We appreciate very much the time you and your helpers spent with us because it was very educational."

MR. STEELE RETIRES

Completing thirty-four years of service at the Station on the 9th of this month. Volney Steele is retiring June 1. In recent years Mr. Steele has been in charge of the horses and was a familiar and welcome sight on stormy winter mornings as he detoured the Station snow plow down past the Editor's house on its way back to the barn. The neighbors and others who used the walk along North Street also appreciate Mr. Steele's thoughtfulness, for the Editor seldon has time (?) to do any snow shoveling on his own account. We hope that Mr. Steele has many years ahead of him to enjoy his hobbies, whatever they may be, and that someone will be as generous in keeping his walks cleared of snow as he has been with others in the past.

VACATIONING IN IOWA

Mr. Mark Ford, assistant in the Bacteriology Division, is spending a ten-day vacation at his home in Iowa and expects to bring his mother back to Geneva where she will take up her permanent residence.

ON COMMITTEE

Mr. Wellington will be in Ithaca tomorrow to serve on the committee of the Graduate School at Cornell which will examine Mr. George Oberle for the degree of Ph. D. Mr. Oberle has spent considerable time at the Station studying the inheritance of sex in grapes, the subject of his thesis.

THE STATION PICNIC

The time has come to think of this important annual avent. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clark and Dr. and Mrs. Paul Chapman have consented to supervise the affair this year and have named Thursday, June 16, as the tentative date and Cayuga Lake State Park as the place. More about their plans in later issues of the NEWS.