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EXTENSION FRUIT TOUR

Station entomologists and plant pathologists will take an active part in the annual fruit tour sponsored by the Extension Service. The visits to experimental plots and commercial orchards will run from August 19th through 22nd, beginning at the Experiment Station and continuing through Western New York and winding up in the Hudson Valley. County agents and representatives of chemical and equipment firms will make up the visiting body.

HORT SOCIETY TOUR

Doctors Heinicke and Hamilton have joined members of the New York State Horticultural Society in a tour of Vermont and Canada. The three-day event began on Sunday and includes visits to farms, a cooperative market and the University of Vermont.

ISRAELI VISITOR

The Head of Horticultural Research for the Ministry of Agriculture in Israel is spending a week at the Experiment Station. He is Dr. Rudolf Samisch who is touring the United States on an FAO fellowship. On Monday, he joined the Finger Lakes Grape Growers Tour at Fredonia and will come to Geneva later this week. While in this country, Dr. Samisch hopes to obtain information aimed at the improvement and diversification of fruit-growing in Israel.

TO JOIN SEED STAFF

The appointment of Raymond J. Bula as an assistant professor in Seed Investigations will take effect on August 18th. World War II interrupted the new analyst's undergraduate work at Wisconsin but, after service in Japan, he returned to earn his bachelor's, master's, and doctor's degrees from that institution. He majored in agronomy and plant physiology. In his work at Geneva he will be charged with the testing of grain and forage crops, both in the laboratory and in the field trials. Dr. Bula comes to us as a veteran husband of nine days. We extend best wishes and a hearty welcome to the newlyweds. Living quarters have not as yet been arranged for and the Seed Division would appreciate notification of the availability of a furnished apartment.

ALUMNI DAYS

Former workers abound at the Station these days. Dr. and Mrs. R.F. Suit and son, David, are spending a couple of weeks as guests of the Bigelows and Conns. Dr. Suit is head of Plant Pathology at the Florida Citrus Experiment Station. Another son, Ross, Jr., is in his third year of electrical engineering at the University of Florida....Dr. and Mrs. Bob Brooks and their four daughters of Columbia, Missouri, are spending a vacation on Seneca Lake at their Billsboro cottage. Bob was a bacteriologist here just a few years ago....Dr. "Bill" Walters, head of Bacteriology at the University of Montana, is visiting former associates here. Bill left here in 1942. The Doctor sobriquet was earned at Michigan this year....Director James Horsfall of the Connecticut Experiment Station with Mrs. Horsfall and daughters Margaret and Anne were weekend guests of the Herveys. They're on their way home after a six-week's tour of the West.

The Slates are spending the week in Massachusetts.....The Swensons left last week for a visit home in South Dakota.....Janice Rizzo is taking a week's respite at her home in Geneva.....The Gibbs family is visiting at his home in Alleghany..... and Anne McCullough is visiting in Canada.....The Hands spent last weekend and early part of this week at Cape Cod visiting son Clifford who is working at a summer camp.

STATION WORKERS BEREAVED

Our heartfelt sympathy goes to the family of young John Davis who lost his life in a truck-bicycle accident last Thursday morning. Among the survivors is a brother, Clifford Davis, Jr., who works in the greenhouse....And our condolences, too, go to Dr. Pederson whose father, Carl Pederson, Sr., passed away at his home in Tomah, Wisconsin, on Sunday evening. The elder Pederson was 90 years of age. He is survived by his widow, five children, and several grandchildren. Dr. Pederson left on Monday evening for the family home.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

A stork race in the Veg Crops Division wound up in a photo-finish last weekend with the new Jensen baby in first place. Frederick Erwin Jensen arrived at the Geneva General Hospital at 3 P.M. on Saturday afternoon. The 8 lb. 4 oz. youngster is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Jensen....At 6 A.M. the following morning, Donna Kathleen was born to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Barton. She accounted for her second place showing with one more cunce of avoirdupois. Congratulations to both sets of parents.

GLADIOLUS GLEANINGS

August marks the beginning of the annual run of gladiolus shows and, as far as Station people are concerned, last Saturday's Genesee Valley Show of the Empire State Glad Society started the ball rolling. Mr. Klein added three more blue ribbons to the unbroken string of winnings for his recent introduction, "Heirloom". In the pre-introductory class, another Klein origination, "Butterfly", began its career with a first-place triumph. Among the named varieties, Professors Boyle and Robinson also copped some ribbons. Yesterday, Mr. Klein took some of his spikes to the big Eastern International Show of the North American Gladiolus Society but results were not known at press time.

COUNTY GROWER MEETINGS

Drs. Hamilton and Szkolnik spoke at a tour of Onondaga and Oswego County fruit growers in the Sodus area on Friday. The growers visited commercial plantings as well as experimental plots. A similar tour will be taken by Wayne County growers this Friday....Tonight, Professors Tapley and Schroeder will speak at a meeting of Erie County tomato growers. Varieties and disease control will be their topics.

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Visitors to Plant Path on Monday were W. A. Kreutzer of Modesto, Calif., and E. F. Feichtmeir of Denver. Both are research workers for the Shell Chemical Company and were here to view apple scab control tests with their company's products.... Dr. Davis is spending the rest of this week at Poughkeepsie and Farmingdale in connection with corn earworm control projects Donald Crowe, assistant at the Fredonia Laboratory for the past four years, has resigned from his position there..... Mr. LaBelle is attending a tomato-grading school in Rochester this week. The training session is sponsored by the Raw Products Division of PMA....Mr. and Mrs. Szkolnik spent the weekend motoring in the Niagara Falls-Toronto region Young Billy Heit is the third baseman on Geneva's Little League All-Star team. The mighty mites won the sectional championship at Waterloo last week and will vie for the next higher rung at Liverpool today Prof. Luckett and Mr. Wesselmann are in Syracuse, today, where they are setting up background material for the Station exhibits at the State Fair.... News was hard to find in Pomology yesterday. Professors Wellington, Einset, and Shaulis and Messers Watson, Kimball and Carleton were all away on the Finger Lakes grape tour; Mr. Harlan left for a meeting with hop growers at Malone; Prof. Slate was on vacation; and Mr. Klein was at Binghamton tallying up his gladiolus ribbons.

According to the USDA Extension Service, several national societies are exerting pressure for universal adoption of the words "flammable" and "nonflammable". They're hoping to toss out their confusing and cumbersome predecessors, "inflammable" and "uninflammable". Webster's New International Dictionary, 1951 printing, goes along with the National Safety Council and the U. S. Chamber of Commerce in these recommendations.

Consultant—A man who knows less about your business than you do and gets paid more for telling you how to run it than you could possibly make out of it even if you ran it right, instead of the way he told you.

"There is no wholly satisfactory substitute for brains but silence does pretty well"--Kanawha, Iowa, REPORTER.