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FRUIT TESTING MEETING

The Thirty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the New York State Fruit Testing Association will be held Thursday, September 19th in the auditorium at Jordan Hall. The program will begin at 10:00 A.M. with a welcoming address by Director Heinicke, which will be followed by a business meeting and election of three new directors to fill vacancies. At the conclusion of the business meeting Dr. Magness, chief of the Fruit and Nut Research Branch of the Agricultural Research Service, USDA, will speak on "The Place of the Variety in Fruit Growing". A group of pomologists from the Vineland Station in Canada plan to be present and it is expected that one of this group will also speak to the morning session. The balance of the morning session will be taken up by a Question Box with Station fruit specialists acting as panel members.

The afternoon session, beginning at 2:00 P.M. will feature a large exhibit of varieties and new seedlings from the Station orchards. This exhibit will be held over for a second day in order to give every opportunity for interested persons to see the fruit and to confer with the specialists. Tours of the orchards and vineyards at the Station will start at 2:00 P.M. and continue through the afternoon. All members and their friends are cordially invited to attend.

ATTENDING MEETINGS

The Western New York Nurserymen's Association is holding its annual meeting in Dansville on Wednesday. Foster Gambrell, John Einset, Bob Gilmer, Claude Heit, and Karl Brase are planning to attend.....Bill Schroeder, Rosario Providenti, and Bill Tapley were in Gowanda, New York, Tuesday attending an extension service meeting on tomato variety trials.....Sig Lienk and Dr. Chapman attended a conference in Ithaca on Wednesday on the control of the gypsy moth. The conference was attended by Federal regulatory officials from Washington, D. C. and by state regulatory officials from New York and adjoining states. They met to discuss the 1957 gypsy moth control program and to confer on plans for 1958.

AROUND THE FARM

The Pilot Plant is setting up to run applesauce this week. The Station food specialists will process apples for sauce over a range of harvest dates to observe the quality of sauce and attempt to define optimum harvest dates in terms of heat units.....The Plant Introduction crew has converted a hammermill into a threshing machine for forage legumes and grasses. They were putting it through its paces Monday morning down in the barn. Incidentally, a committee has been formed to study the possibility of setting up a room in the barn where all departments can thresh, clean, and dry seeds. Des Dolan is chairman and John Natti and John Atkin are the other committee members.....The blacktopping crew has been busy for several days and have put down tar and gravel on all the Station parking areas and driveways.

RESERVATIONS IN ORDER

Members of the Staff expecting to attend the luncheon on October 4th in connection with the Anniversary Symposium should fill out a reservation card and turn it in to the Editor's office by the end of this week.

FORMER STAFF MEMBER SAYS HELLO

The Brauns met Dave Rodney, former Station pomologist, in Arizona on their trip to California. Dr. Rodney began a new job with the Citrus Station of the University of Arizona the first of September. He sends regards to Station friends.

IN GENEVA HOSPITAL

Nancy Inscho was taken to the hospital Saturday with a case of pneumonia. The girls at the Seed Lab say that she is improving.

STATION NOTES

Dr. Pederson's brother and sister-in-law from Buffalo, and his brother from Wisconsin, who has just returned from a visit to Norway, were week-end visitors at the Pedersons.....LaVerne Herrink visited the Seed Lab last Friday. LaVerne was on his way to Vermont to attend the meeting of Seed Control Officials and stopped off for a short visit.....The Gambrells son, Foster, Jr., left Friday for duty at Fort Benning, Georgia. He finished his basic training at Fort Jackson and had been home on leave.....Roger Way, Al Braun, and Charlotte Pratt showed up at work on Monday. They all looked relaxed after taking in the California meetings and enjoying California weather.....Incidentally, the Brauns have a garage full of mineral specimens. Al said he didn't think the old car springs would take it, but they just couldn't pass up all the beautiful samples.....Barbara Smith gave a concert in the solarium at the Clifton Springs Sanitarium last Thursday evening. Patients and the public were invited and enjoyed Barbara's singing immensely.....Don and Jean Queale arrived back from a camping trip to the Gaspé Peninsula, on Tuesday. I understand Don had several standing orders for 40 pound salmon, but only brought back weak alibis, such as the "salmon season was closed", etc.

SUMMER HELP MELTING AWAY

More of the summer help is leaving. Most of them are going back to school, but Norma Lerkins is returning to her librarian's job in Niagara Falls and Dr. Gallup is returning to Hobart to teach psychology.

THEN THE FUN BEGAN

It is rumored that Leonard Mattox is wearing a large bump on his head. Seems that the father of a friend was out fishing and caught a large lake trout, as a matter of fact it was the largest fish he had ever caught. Leonard mistakenly told him the trout season was over the 1st of September instead of the 10th, so he released the fish and didn't learn the truth until they reached home.

NOTICE

Operators license renewal forms are available in the Business Office for those who have to renew their drivers license this year.