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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sept. 18 - 10:00 a.m. - Jordan Hall - New York State Fruit Testing Cooperative Association Meeting
- 19 - 9:00 a.m. - Tour - Keuka College Sophomore Nursing Students
- 19 - 4:00 p.m. - Staff Room, Jordan Hall - Service Award Ceremony
- 23 - 9:00 a.m. - Tour - Keuka College Sophomore Nursing Students
- 24 - 7:30 p.m. - Conference Room, Jordan Hall - Finger Lakes Stamp Club
- 25 - 9:00 a.m. - Conference Room, Food Research Laboratory - Pesticide Control Board
- 25 - 10:00 a.m. - Auditorium, Jordan Hall - Senate Roads and Public Works Standing Committee Hearing

## FRUIT TESTERS MEET SEPTEMBER 18

This coming Thursday, the New York State Fruit Testing Cooperative Association holds its 51st Annual Meeting in the auditorium of Jordan Hall. The usual fruit displays and a special panel displaying the new fall-bearing red raspberry, Heritage, are being prepared.

Dr. L. F. Hough, professor of pomology at Rutgers University, will be keynote



speaker.

Dr. Hough is a native of Michigan and received his undergraduate training at Michigan State College. He received his master's degree from Cornell University in 1939 and his doctorate degree from the University of Illinois in 1947. For a time he was associated with Cornell University, later with the University of Illinois, and since 1948 has been at Rutgers University.

This distinguished scientist spent a year in Liberia in 1952-53 as part of the U. S. Foreign Agricultural Service program and also spent part of 1960 in Yugoslavia. He is a recipient of the coveted Gourley Award and is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Society for Horticultural Science, the Genetics Society, and the Phytopathology Society.

Dr. Hough's specialty is fruit breeding, particularly breeding for disease resistance. While in Geneva, he plans to discuss with members of the Fruit Testing Association the fruit breeding program in New Jersey.

Other business at the annual meeting of the association includes the naming of a new fall-bearing red raspberry, Heritage, and reports of fruit breeding progress by various members of the Geneva Station staff. Following lunch, tours are planned of the various fruit farms on the Station and will include visits to the rootstock farm, a look at new and promising apple selections, pears, plums, grapes, and small fruits.

The New York State Fruit Testing Cooperative Association, Inc. was organized in 1918 for the purpose of introducing for testing new fruits recommended as worthy of trial by the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station. It is not part of the Geneva Station and receives no appropriations for operations.

Its nearly 5,000 members located throughout the world serve as a testing board for new and promising fruit varieties that the Station wants tested under a wide range of climatic and geographic conditions. The members grow, test, and report to the association on these new varieties, and as a result of this program, the Station pomologists are afforded an excellent opportunity to determine whether a test variety should be named and recommended as a potential new commercial fruit variety.

Each year, the association publishes a catalogue listing the strong and weak points of the many new fruits being evaluated at the Station. Currently, the association offers apple and pear varieties on size-controlling or semi-dwarf rootstocks to induce early bearing and to hasten evaluation; grapes are grafted on stocks resistant to phylloxera and nematodes; and virus free strawberries, cherries, and raspberries are being offered.

William Blackburn of Medina, New York is president of the association.

#### APPOINTMENTS

Angeline Borzell accepted an appointment as research technician in Food Science and Technology September 2. Angeline was graduated from Geneseo State College in June and spent the summer in a research training program at Roswell Park in Buffalo. She lives in Watkins Glen and is working with Geza Hrazdina.

Greg Failing, who has been an R.I.T. co-op student and who has worked in Food Science every other quarter for the past 3 years, recently earned his B.S. degree majoring in chemistry. Greg is returning to work here on a full time basis for at least a year.

#### MEETINGS

Bob Shallenberger attended the Gordon Research Conference at Providence Heights College in Issaquah, Washington last month where he presented a paper on molecular structure and sweet taste. While in Washington, he also attended the American Society for Horticultural Science meeting in Pullman and presented a paper on the nutritional quality in fruits and vegetables.

Don Splittstoesser attended a conference on the treatment of disposal of wastes from vegetable processing held at New Orleans on August 24-27.



Jerry VanBuren, Gil Mack, Bob Shallenberger, and Keith Steinkraus are attending the American Chemical Society meetings in New York City September 7-12. Keith is presenting a paper on fermentation of Philippine foods.

#### VISITOR

Mr. David S. Morris, Senior Entomologist at the Victorian Plant Research Institute, Burnley, Australia, was here on August 28 and 29. His primary interest is in fruit insects, and he conferred with various staff members in the Department of Entomology. Mrs. Morris accompanied her husband on the visit to Geneva.

#### WEDDING BELLS

Margaret Chase, Food Science, was united in marriage to Joseph Minute on Saturday, September 6. Following a brief honeymoon, the couple will reside in Manchester. Congratulations, Margaret and Joe.

#### RETIREMENT

William Mookhoek retired from the Station September 10. Bill had 35 years of service at the Station and for the past 16 years had worked in Plant Introduction as gardens foreman.

#### HEALTH REPORT

We were very sorry to learn that Sue Dwyer broke her leg last Saturday and currently is in Geneva General Hospital. Sue is a stenographer in Pomology.

Sherril Gibbs, Food Science, who underwent surgery in Geneva General Hospital last Monday, is recovering nicely and is expecting to go home soon.

#### CLASSIFIEDS

Wanted to rent: 1/2 or whole house with at least three bedrooms. Will consider buying house on land contract. Contact Mrs. Mary Porterfield at 787-2216.

For sale: 1962 Mercury Comet. Contact Don Chimera at 787-2274. Must sell because he is going in the service.

For sale: Spring coat, light blue, size 12 or 14. \$15.00. Contact Teresa Porcaro.

#### WEATHER

	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Rain</u>
August 27	69	44	
28	74	51	
29	86	58	
30	86	63	
31	89	69	
Sept. 1	90	67	
2	87	66	
3	73	56	
4	80	59	
5	81	64	