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GREENHOUSE TESTS OF POTATOES

At the request of the New York Seed Improvement Cooperative Association that a study be made of the use of greenhouses at the Station for the testing of certified

seed potatoes for disease readings, a cooperative research project has been set up under the supervision of the Department of Plant Pathology at Cornell which will make use of house No. 1 here at the Station. The experiments will include tubers known to contain leafroll, mosaic, and spindle tuber viruses to be compared with healthy stock. Observations will also be made on the use of artificial lighting and on different planting distances. Representing the Seed Improvement Association in the preliminary planning for the project were H. J. Evans, Georgetown; Harry Andrews, Waterloo; Bruce Jones, Hall; A. G. Allen, Waterville; Roy A. Porter, Elba; and A. M. Koon, Auburn, all members of the Association's Greenhouse Committee. For the College, the conferees included Dr. C. E. F. Guterma, Dr. K. H. Fernow, Dr. M. F. Barrus, Dr. M. B. Linn, and Dr. M. F. Massey. The work is expected to get under way about Nov. 10th with the Division of Vegetable Crops here supervising the greenhouse operations.

BACK FROM THE WARS

First Lieutenant Stewart Patrick paid a visit to the Station last week upon his return home on furlough from the Army. "Pat" conveyed the welcome news that he was to be released from military service at the expiration of his furlough on November 8th and that he would soon be back at his desk in the Seed Laboratory. It is appropriate that being the first to be called into the service, Pat should be the first to be released and we join his many friends in welcoming him back to stay. Recent word from the War Department informs the Director that Captain Derrill Daniel will probably be held in the service for another year. Derrill is located at Fort Bragg, N. C.

AT PARTY HOUSE

The Central New York Branch of the Society of American Bacteriologists will hold its regular fall meeting at Party House in Seneca Castle next Saturday, with a program which includes several members of the Station Staff. Among the speakers listed for the all-day event are Miss Eleanore Heist and Dr. J. R. Sanborn, "Thermophilic Bacteria Isolated from Paper Pulp and Paperboard"; W. G. Walter, "Sanitization of Beverage Glasses"; E. H. Smith, "The Use of Bacteria in the Control of Injurious Insects"; Dr. C. S. Pederson and H. G. Beattie, "Preparation and Preservation of Fruit Juices"; Dr. M. W. Yale, "Problems in Classifying Coliform Bacteria"; and Dr. G. L. McNew, "New Trends in Research on Plant Diseases".

A BIG OVERSIGHT

We regret that we failed to record the retirement on October 15th of George Murray for the past several years caretaker of the Chemistry Building and a fiend for work. George began his duties at the Station in April 1927. We understand that he is temporarily employed at the Seneca Ordnance Depot. Viggo Jensen, himself a veteran Station employee with various connections dating back to 1925, has been appointed to fill Mr. Murray's position, or perhaps it would be more nearly correct to say that he is taking over Murray's duties—it would be asking too much to insist that he "fill" George's shoes.

"BOWEN BOULEVARD"

The new approach to Jordan Hall, officially known as "Bowen Boulevard" was practically completed during the past week and promises to be a notable addition to the Station's highway system.

THE MILK ROOM WILL BE CLOSED ALL DAY TUESDAY, NOV. 4—ELECTION DAY

THE NEW OFFICERS

Officers of Ceres Circle for 1941-42 elected at the meeting last week include Mrs. George Hervey, President; Mrs. Harold Brundage, Vice President; and Miss Beatrice Cass, Secretary-Treasurer.

ALSO A NEW SLATE

The Shuffler's Club also elected new officers recently, with Mr. Walter Davis as Chairman and Bill Walter as Secretary-Treasurer. The dance committee for the 1941-42 season arranged chronological in order of the events they will direct includes Dr. and Mrs. Reinking, Mr. and Mrs. Everson, Mr. and Mrs. DeFelice, Mr. and Mrs. Beattie, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter. The first dance of the season will be held Saturday evening November 8th.

AN EAGLE SCOUT

Congratulations to Donald Pederson upon receiving the Eagle award at the banquet of the Finger Lakes Council of the Boy Scouts of America held in Gorham last Wednesday night!

A CORRECTION

We erred last week in stating that Mrs. Brailowsky's sister, Miss Martha Lipton, was singing at the Metropolitan. Actually, she is one of the artists of the New Opera Company which presented Verdi's "Macbeth" last Saturday night. The critics were highly complimentary of the production and the cast.

GETTING STARTED

President McNew of the Experiment Station Club has called a meeting of the Board of Directors for tomorrow afternoon at 4:00 o'clock in Jordan Hall to make plans for the 1941-42 season. Memberships will be accepted during the coming week so that the extent of the social activities may be planned definitely. As in the past, the dues will be used to defray the expenses of the annual dinner given exclusively for the adult members, the Christmas party for the younger generation, and the picnic for the entire family. The possibility of promoting additional social functions will be considered since several members have expressed a desire to see the present program expanded.

MR. WAUGH

We extend sincere sympathy to Mrs. Paul Chapman in the death of her father in Ithaca last week.

FROM CANTON

A group of about 45 students from the State School of Applied Agriculture at Canton visited the Station Monday afternoon under the direction of Charles Tressler and Mr. Zimmerman. Mr. Tressler spent several days last week at the School giving special instruction on the analysis of maple sirup to students who will act as testers for a large maple sirup cooperative in northern New York next spring.

AN "ALUMNUS" WINS PROMOTION

Mr. C. J. Shroer of Lima, Ohio, was a recent visitor in the Dairy Division where a few years back he was one of the first cream cheese "students" to receive instruction in the "Geneva Method" for making this product. Mr. Shroer has just been named production manager of the Islay Dairy Company with headquarters in Sandusky, Ohio.

AN "EXPEDITING ENGINEER"

Mr. C. E. Heit is utilizing most of his vacation in serving as an "expediting engineer" for the W. S. Logar Company, the consulting architects for the Seneca Ordnance Depot.

ON ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

Mr. Everson and Dr. Crosier, private and first class private, respectively, of Company K (Geneva) of the 3rd regiment of the New York Guard, were elected to membership on the athletic committee at the annual regimental meeting recently. Company K is now being increased to include 65 men and officers.
