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RESEARCH IN THE REGIONAL LABS

A special seminar was held in Jordan Hall yesterday afternoon when Doctor John Matchett of the Bureau of Agricultural Chemistry and Engineering in Washington told Station workers about food research projects being conducted in the Regional Laboratories. And speaking of seminars, members of the new Seminar Committee have been named as follows: Austin Wagenknecht, John Natti, Max Patterson, Stewart Patrick, Bob Lamb, and Sig Lienk.

STATION TO EXHIBIT

The Station has been asked to set up some exhibits at the Sheraton Hotel in Rochester this weekend for a meeting of the Empire State Association of Medical Technologists. The displays will visualize some of the Station's food research projects. Doctor Hucker will appear on Saturday morning's program when he will speak on "Food Poisoning".

ATTENDS EDITORS CONFAB

Professor Luckett is in New York City where he is participating in a three-day regional meeting of the American Association of Agricultural College Editors. Invitations were issued to all members in the Northeastern United States and the discussions will focus upon press releases, publications, radio, and television, as media for the dissemination of agricultural information.

A PERENNIAL PROBLEM

The beginning of another busy planting season is again upon us, and with it comes a hum of activity in labs, greenhouses, and farms. The first real evidence of the accelerated tempo was witnessed in the court behind Hedrick Hall where traffic was again snarled up in its own unique fashion. Temper and tact were wearing thin as Station truck operators attempted to worm their paths through a maze of cars which occupied the close quarters for the entire day. In order to preserve the pleasant dispositions of all concerned, we pass out a reminder from the Director's office that the areas immediately behind Hedrick and Sturtevant Halls are to be kept clear for the use of Station vehicles.

CANNERS HERE TODAY

Specialists from the Experiment Stations at Ithaca and Geneva will discuss some of their projects with a group from the Association of New York State Canners today. The guests will learn about some of the projects of interest to the processing industry which are being conducted at the two Stations.

BUDGET BALANCING

Dean William Myers and Prof. A.H. Peterson of the College of Agriculture will spend next Tuesday at the Geneva Station in order to discuss budget requests with heads of the various divisions here.

THE NEW PRINTING CONTRACT

The W.F. Humphrey Press of Geneva has again been awarded the contract for printing Station bulletins and Farm Research. Like everything else, printing costs have risen sharply the past year and the new contract represents an overall increase of 17 per cent. It now costs \$7.00 an hour to make author's corrections (by machine) on proofs, just to mention one item of publication cost. Limitation of corrections in proofs to an absolute minimum is one way the author can help hold down printing expense. This means extra care in the preparation of the manuscript at the outset.

VISITORS

USDA representatives from the Japanese Beetle Laboratory in Moorestown, N. J., are spending a couple of days here. Ralph White, Sam Dutky, and Walter Fleming arrived yesterday to work on the biological control of the European Chafer....On Monday, Jack L. Horsfall of American Cyanamid stopped in at Entomology to discuss projects being conducted cooperatively by his company and the Station....Doctor John Willaman, Chief of the Biochemistry Division of the Eastern Regional Laboratory, met with members of FS&T yesterday. Doctor Willaman was a member of the Station's Chemistry Division back in 1929 and 1930.

BLUE CROSS ACTIVITIES

The Station committee which has been concerned with hospitalization insurance matters met in Jordan Hall last week to hear Mr. O'Grady of the Rochester Hospital Service explain the recent rate increase. He pointed out that this increase had taken effect on all directly-billed accounts to meet rising hospital costs. The Blue Cross representative also explained the advantages of the new surgical plan which is available. Another meeting of the committee has been called for this afternoon when the future functions of the panel will be ironed out.

FOR YOUR EDIFICATION

A public meeting will be held in the Library of the Canandaigua Academy on May 1st at 8 P.M. A discussion, to be led by Doctor Stringham of the V.A. Hospital in Canandaigua, will feature Doctor Albert Kaiser of Rochester's Health Department. Doctor Kaiser will speak on "What a Mental Health Clinic can do for a Community". All interested are urged to attend.

GLUTTONS FOR PUNISHMENT

Undaunted by their recent trouncing, the Experiment Station bowlers have challenged the Lutheran team to another bout. This one will take place on the Masonic Alleys at 9 P.M. on Friday night. The stakes? Well, they're shooting the moon this time for at stake is the privilege of using the Experiment Station's name to identify the team in next year's league.

CELEBRATIONS

Today's the day. You may not see it on your TV set but it's a big event at the Station. With our usual accuracy in prognosticating, we acclaim the fact that Professor Hartzell is today sporting a brand new Dodge 4-door green sedan. To celebrate the occasion, he has bought a new suit, linen duster, and rose-colored goggles. He has announced that he will familiarize himself with the newfangled controls some time today so our readers are cautioned to keep all children and pets indoors for the day....Out Phelps way, there were two 21-gun salutes fired in a space of eight days. On April 11, Willard Robinson's yearling English Bulldog Calibanno whelped three pups, on her first try, with two girls and a boy. On the 19th, Cal's mother, Chunky Cherub followed suit with an issue of two boys and a girl. And they're all pure bloods. Congratulations to all concerned. (There's your free ad, Willard. We're not worried because we've pretty well saturated the German Shephard market anyway).

TWAS EVER THUS

In case the travel regulations get you down occasionally, take comfort in this excerpt from "Policy and Regulations", a booklet of information published by the Station in 1907: "Traveling bills are allowed only when they are incurred in the performance of official duty. They must itemize all expenditures and must specify the points between which the official travels. Subvouchers must be secured for all livery bills and for hotel charges covering more than one day. Charges for mileage books, laundry fees and tips are not allowed. An affidavit executed before a notary must accompany each travel bill. When necessary, loans will be allowed from the Director's petty fund for the purpose of meeting necessary Station traveling expenses."

25 YEARS AGO

April 28, 1926--Nineteen couples assembled last evening in Jordan Hall for the first official dance to be staged by the Station Club in some time. Dr. and Mrs. Thatcher and Dr. and Mrs. Breed were "patrons" of the evening....May 5, 1926--Chief features of the May Staff Meeting included a comprehensive discussion of the fruit breeding work under way at the Station by Mr. Wellington and an interesting account of the entomological work at the Fredonia Laboratory by Mr. Hartzell....Mr. Munn sails for Copenhagen next week to attend an international conference on seed testing as the official U. S. representative.
