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SEMINAR TOMORROW



Doctor Reinking is the scheduled speaker for a seminar on Thursday afternoon. His topic, "Virus Diseases of Abaca and Banana in Borneo and the Philippines and their Implications to New York State Crops", will get underway at 3:30 P.M. Coffee will be served before the meeting, commencing at 3:20. Latecomers are warned that the coffee bar will close promptly at 3:30 so that the seminar may begin on schedule. Doctor Reinking's talk will be illustrated by a goodly number of Kodachrome slides.

STAFF MEETING FRIDAY

Acting President of Cornell University, C. W. de Kiewiet, will speak to staff members at a special meeting on Friday. The meeting is scheduled for 4:00 P.M. in the staff room. Earlier in the day, the Agricultural Council of the New York State College of Agriculture and Experiment Stations will meet in Jordan Hall. After the business has been dispensed with, some of the local projects will be inspected. Among the members of the council are Dean Myers, Doctor Guterman and Doctor Heinicke.

RESEARCH AWARD

The October 1949 issue of American Fruit Grower carries notice of an award to be made for outstanding work in the field of horticulture as related to the nursery industry. The Norman Jay Colman Award is being sponsored by the American Association of Nurserymen for the purpose of stimulating research work in the Land Grant Colleges and Universities and other research institutions of the United States. The award is a gold and bronze medal plus \$100 in cash and a trip to the annual meeting of the Association. Judging will be done by a committee of directors of agricultural experiment stations on the basis of submitted contributions of published research.

DOCTOR BREED HONORED

Doctor and Mrs. Breed attended a meeting of the American Public Health Association in New York City last week. At a banquet on Thursday evening, Doctor Breed was presented with an embossed certificate recognizing his forty years of active membership in the organization. It was at that meeting, just forty years ago, that he delivered a paper on "The Direct Microscopic Method of Counting Bacteria in Milk", a method which is now universally used and known as the "Breed Method".

SECOND ANNUAL FOOD PROCESSING MEETING

A committee headed by Doctor Hucker has been busy for the past several weeks organizing the Second Annual Food Processing Meeting which is being sponsored by our Division of FS&T. The program, just completed, lists several prominent speakers in addition to many Station specialists. The full-day conference will be held on November 16th in Jordan Hall with a luncheon to be held at the First Presbyterian Church and an evening banquet at the Geneva Country Club. Luncheon speaker will be Professor F. F. Hill, Head of Agricultural Economics at Cornell University and the banquet speech will be made by T. M. Proctor, Vice President in charge of Research and Development for General Foods. Other out-of-town speakers will be V. F. Troy of Continental Can and Professor Maynard of Ithaca. Local dignitaries on the program include Doctor Hand and Professors Robinson, Pederson, Moyer, Holgate, Kertesz, Boyle, Holley, Chapman, Hucker, and Hening. The NEWS will carry a complete program in advance of the meeting.

JOHANNESSEN-MARTIN

A card from Ray Sheldrake at Ithaca tells us that Veg Crops Graduate Assistant George Johannesen finally did it! He and Miss Pat Martin began 'pulling double harness' after a ceremony in Dansville, New York on Saturday. Even though Ray scooped us on this story, we're glad to hear the good news and extend best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Johannesen.

ANYBODY LOSE A PEN?

Doctor Braun reports finding a fountain pen recently on the Station grounds. He states that the owner may claim it after proper identification. We made a stab at it but missed on the color. Al's a real stickler for details so if anyone else would care to wrest it from his grasp, we'll pass out a few hints. It's a Parker, conventional point, and it isn't grey and black.

WITH OUR NIMRODS

Lucile and Mildred wouldn't speak to your reporter this week so gossip is at a premium. Consequently, we're printing just about anything we could pick up or dream up. With the hunting season still quite young, we have some startling bags already tallied. Our advice, though, is to take these reports with a grain of salt-lick. S. R. Patrick claimed a 6-point deer on last week's trip to the Adirondacks. John Einset was on an expedition which brought back four coons last Sunday night. Lester Atkinson of Hedrick Hall bagged a pheasant and Curtis Dearborn says that he's been eating pheasant and partridge for breakfast. When Dick Wellington heard a couple of these stories, he handed in a scorecard which listed a pheasant, an opossum, and three skunks, but he didn't say anything about breakfast. Well, this could go on forever.

STORK MARKET

With just a few but important details to back up our item, we are happy to report the birth of a boy last Friday to Plant Pathology's Mr. and Mrs. John Woodard.

BADMINTON TONIGHT

A reminder that the second session of the Station's badminton enthusiasts will take place tonight at 7:30 in the North Street School. Those who didn't attend last week's workout are urged to participate tonight, along with any "veterans" who may have recovered from last Wednesday's play.

ANOTHER COINCIDENCE

We hadn't yet gotten over that Munn-Carruth accidental meeting out West when another one came to our attention. This one involved Charley Rutschky and Rufus LeFevre, both former members of our Entomology Division. Seems that Rufus was returning from a lecture someplace around Harrisburg and stopped at the "Amity Hall" eating place around 11:30 P.M. Next through the door came Charley who is now stationed at Penn State. No telling when that gab-fest broke up!

COMING AND GOING

Director Heinicke has returned from the Kansas City meeting of the Association of Land Grant Colleges and Experiment Stations...The meeting was held from October 23rd through the 27th.....Don't know if it's budget trouble or not but the Vittums will spend the next month as guests of their parents. The time will be divided between her parents' home at Cummington, Mass., and the home of his parents at Haverhill, Mass.Bill Tapley writes that he and Mrs. Tapley finally reached Arizona's Valley of the Sun only after battling a nice cold blizzard. They ran the gamut of weather conditions before reaching their destination.....Seems that Jim Harlan is taking a lion's share of the awards in the Geneva Camera Club print competitions.... A piece of correspondence handed in by Mabel Sperry wins this week's silver oyster award. It's a card which says "Please send me all you have on Agriculture". It's signed but there's no address and the postmark is Brooklyn, N. Y!

VISITORS

Entomology furnishes us with the guest roster for the week. Doctor Gordon Dustin of the Vineland Station and Doctor L. L. Percumen of the California Spray and Chemical Corporation dropped in last week. And tomorrow, Doctor J. L. Horsfall of American Cyanamid's New York office will meet with the entomologists to discuss the merits and demerits of the use of parthion.

"A pat on the back develops character if administered young enough, often enough, and low enough." -- Richard Scott

Doctor James Y. Simpson, a professor of obstetrics at the University of Glasgow, experimented with anesthetics for use in childbirth. When he was knighted for his outstanding work, Sir Walter Scott wrote to him and suggested that he adopt as a coat of arms, in commemoration of his use of anesthetics during childbirth, "a wee naked bairn" with the accompanying motto, "Does your mother know you're out?".--D. T. Armstrong in Ladies Home Journal.

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