

The Station News

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THE WEEK : Farm and Home Week got away to a good start Monday with favorable weather
IN ITHACA : and satisfactory attendance which will doubtless increase as the week
-----: advances culminating with the Governor's visit on Thursday and Friday.

At a banquet Thursday night, the Governor is scheduled to make the presentation of awards to the newly selected Master Farmers and six achievement awards to young people of the State, including two each from a vocational high school, a 4-H club, and the rural scouts, for special attainments in agricultural work. Then at 2:00 o'clock Friday the Governor will deliver an address in Bailey Hall.

So far as the Station is concerned in the Farm and Home Week program

Mr. Slate fired the opening gun with a talk on "Varieties and Culture of Small Fruits" at noon yesterday. His remarks were illustrated with specimens of some of the Station's new seedlings which had been frozen in the Station "cooler" last summer and transported to Ithaca in thermo jugs. Dr. Horsfall, with a talk on "Combating Damping-off of Tomatoes"; Mr. Green, with a talk on "Fruit By-products"; and Mr. Marquardt, who spoke on "Can-cooling and Aeration of Milk" completed the Station's contribution to yesterday's program. Assignments for the remainder of the week are as follows:

Wednesday: R. C. Collison on "Organic Matter In Fruit Growing."
M. T. Munn on "The Present Quality of Seed Stocks and What the
Farmers Can Do to Get Better Seed."
G. H. Howe on "New and Noteworthy Varieties of Fruit Trees."
C. B. Sayre on "The Effect of Various Commercial Fertilizers
on the Earliness and Total Yields of Tomatoes."
Richard Wellington on "The Fruit Breeding Work at the New York
State Agricultural Experiment Station."
A. C. Dahlberg on "Straining Milk on the Farm."

Thursday: P. J. Parrott on "A Spray Program in the Light of Last Year's
Experiences."
F. C. Stewart on "Why Popcorn Pops and Why it Does not Pop."
H. B. Tukey on "The Mazzard and Mahaleb Root-stock Situation."

Friday: F. E. Gladwin on "Grape Pruning and Fertilization."

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CANNERS TO : The annual "school" for the field men employed by members of the New
HOLD "SCHOOL": York State Canners Association which has been held at the Station
-----: for the past several years will get under way on Monday, March 2,
and continue for three days. The program this year is being arranged by Mr. C. B. Raymond at Ithaca who was appointed last fall as Extension Specialist in Canning Crops. Details of the program will be available later.

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MILK JUDGING: Dr. Breed is in Ithaca today to aid in the judging of samples of milk
BEGINS TODAY: submitted from all parts of the State for competition at the State
-----: Fair next fall. Heretofore, this judging has been done in Rochester, Syracuse, and Albany in the winter, spring, and summer, but it has been decided that this year all of the judging will be done at Ithaca, the samples being shipped in to that point for examination by the judges. This method of judging market milk entered for competition at the State Fair thruout the year rather than depending upon the one test that formerly was made the week preceding the Fair met with such enthusiastic support from the milk distributors of the State last year that it will probably become a permanent feature.

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GETTING WHAT: For the second time since the Station issued Bulletin 585 on milk
THEY WANT : strainers, a manufacturer has called at the Dairy Laboratory to obtain
-----: further information on just what a good strainer should be and to announce that in the light of that information and the work reported in the bulletin he was abandoning his old line and would henceforth put out a product along the lines recommended by the Station. Such reactions are always gratifying, both to the individual worker and to the Station. Also, a resident of New York City recently took the trouble to write in acknowledging receipt of certain printed material requested by him that, "It makes one realize what it is to be a citizen of New York State when one gets such good treatment."

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TO GIVE : On Friday of this week, Mr. Wellington is to give two talks before fruit
TWO TALKS: growers in Pennsylvania. One talk is to be given in the morning and
-----: one in the afternoon before groups assembled at North East and at Girard.

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SPOKE AT : Mr. Sayre spoke on the canning crops work here before a meeting of Wayne
SODUS : County vegetable growers in Sodus last Saturday.
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INSPECTED : Mr. F. S. Gardner of the U. S. Department of Agriculture spent two
NURSERY WORK: days at the Station last week reviewing the nursery stocks investiga-
-----: tions here. Mr. Gardner has just recently been placed in charge of
the nursery stock work of the Department.

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SOCIAL : Dr. and Mrs. Hucker and Mr. and Mrs. Marquardt will uphold the fair
AMBASSADORS : name of the Station in a purely social capacity at the annual meeting
-----: and banquet of the Syracuse Milk Distributors Association at the
Onondaga Hotel tomorrow evening. The Association decided this year to dispense with
addresses and a formal program and to stress the social aspects of their annual
gathering, but expressed themselves as especially desirous that the Station be repre-
sented at their meeting, hence the designation of the above-named ambassadors of
good will.

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NEW BULLETINS : The Mailing Room has just completed the distribution of three new
ARE MAILED OUT: bulletins and a new circular, as follows:

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Bulletin 587, "The Quality of Packet Vegetable Seed on Sale in
New York in 1929 and 1930", by M. T. Munn,
Olive Hoefle Sipple, and Mary E. Woodbridge.
Bulletin 588, "Filberts," by G. L. Slate.
Bulletin 589, "A New Method for Enzymic Clarification of
Unfermented Apple Juice," by Z. I. Kertesz.
Circular 117, "Identification of Mazzard and Mahaleb Cherry
Rootstocks," by H. B. Tukey.

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TO CONFER : Mr. Parrott and Mr. Streeter will meet with officials of the G. L. F.
WITH G.L.F: in Ithaca on Thursday to discuss new developments in the rules and
-----: regulations governing the sale of insecticides in this State.

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WANT HELP : A request has come from a large packing house in Gasport for aid in the
IN GASPORT: solution of some apple storage problems with which they are confronted,
-----: and as a consequence Mr. Harman and Mr. Streeter will spend today at the
plant in an effort to solve the difficulties.

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THE GRAPE : Beginning with the February 14 issue of the Rural New Yorker, Mr. Gladwin
OUTLOOK : is contributing a series of articles on "The Outlook for the Grape Grower
-----: of the East."

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SPEAKING : During a recent discussion of projects, serious and otherwise, that
OF PROJECTS: needed intensive research, mention was made of the possibilities for a
-----: real contribution to the welfare and happiness of the Station personnel
if those well versed in the higher mathematics would determine from the data now
available the exact date upon which the horse barn will be placed on its new founda-
tions, including, of course, the probable error. The distance that it has been
moved, and the time consumed thus far in the moving process can be readily determined.
The rest should be a simple matter of deduction, tho wholly beyond our own limited
abilities.

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SOME NEW : Some books recently received in the Library are as follows:
BOOKS : "Holstein-Friesian History."
-----: System of Bacteriology in Relation to Medicine...Medical Research
Industrial Microbiology...Smyth & Obold. Council.(6 volumes)
Survey of Land-Grant Colleges & Universities (2 vols.)...U.S. Dept. of
Albumladen van Plantenziekten..P. J. Schenk. Interior.
Bacteriology.....Buchanan (third edition).
Field Book of American Wild Flowers..Putnam
Field Book of American Trees and Shrubs..Putnam.
Spirazines....C. F. Krafft.
Treatise on Physical Chemistry..H. S. Taylor (two volumes).
Klima und Boden.....H. Lundegardh.