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DAIRY MEETINGS : All of those who attended the various sessions of the several
PROVE INTERESTING: dairy associations that held their meetings in Cleveland last
-----: week expressed keen satisfaction with the programs and with the
many interesting exhibits at the Dairy Industries Exposition. Those who set out for
Cleveland by auto had varied experiences, on account of the heavy fall of snow south
of Buffalo. In one instance, the car was left in Buffalo and the trip completed by
train; while in another case, after spending the night in East Aurora because of
blocked roads, a detour to the south afforded an uninterrupted trip.

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DR. BREED AT: Dr. Breed is attending the meetings of the Laboratory Section of the
FORT WORTH : American Public Health Association in Fort Worth, Texas, this week.
-----: In addition to a report on the use of the standard methods of milk
analysis in public health laboratories over the country, Dr. Breed will lead a dis-
cussion on the New York milk code and its enforcement.

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DR. HEDRICK : Dr. Hedrick received yesterday the silver medal, known as the Wilder
RECEIVES MEDAL: medal, awarded to him last fall by the American Pomological Society
-----: for conspicuous work in the breeding of new fruits.

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BELATED : Congratulations to Dr. Jordan on his arrival at the 79th milestone are
BUT SINCERE: none the less sincere for coming two days after the event, October 27th.
-----: Our wish is that there may be many more markers to record!

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MORE ABOUT : The statement about the Saturday afternoon mail made in these columns
THE MAIL : last week appeared just in time for retraction this week. The present
-----: schedule of hours under which the mail is taken to and from the post
office coincides with the hours maintained by the Station labor force. From November
to April all Station workers are off on Saturday afternoons. Hence, beginning next
Saturday, the last mail to leave the Station on Saturdays will go down about 11:30,
and there will be no mail brought up from the post office Saturday afternoons.

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UNION LIST: The Library has just recently acquired a formidable document in the shape
OF SERIALS: of the Union List of Serials published by the H. W. Wilson Company under
-----: the supervision of a committee from the American Library Association.
The volume, which contains 1,588 pages, lists approximately 75,000 serials which are
defined as publications "not issued by a government agency, appearing at regular or
stated periods of less than a year, and including articles on various subjects." This
automatically excludes annuals, monographs, government publications (including
experiment station and agricultural college publications), almanacs, gift books, etc.
Serials of seemingly "ephemeral" value, such as church reports, local trade union
publications, etc., are also omitted from the list. Only serials in existence prior
to 1925 are included. Under each publication appears a key to the libraries in the
United States and Canada from which the publication in question may be borrowed. In
all, 225 libraries are cooperating, and it would seem in glancing thru the pages of
the list that one would find any periodical, no matter how obscure, that he might
want to consult, and along with it the name and location of a library that is willing
to loan the publication. It is of interest to note, too, that the Library copy, which
by the way cost \$50, is printed on rag paper which will assure a considerable longer
life than would ordinary paper stock.

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TO WORK ON : Work will soon be resumed on the extension of Collier Drive thru to
COLLIER DRIVE: Preemption Road. There is considerable leveling to be done to
-----: complete this road as it is intended to carry it thru from Castle
Street in a straight line, cutting thru the embankment in front of the dairy barn.
Some of the fruit plantings on the south side of the present road will doubtless have
to give way to the new driveway.

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A LILAC : With the new landscaping of the grounds about the Director's residence
GARDEN : well under way, the next important step in the beautifying of the Sta-
-----: tion grounds is the laying out of a lilac garden between the Chemistry
Building and Collier Drive. This garden will be 100 feet in width and will extend
212 feet in an east and west direction which will bring the eastern border about in
line with the carpenter shop. This space, which was seeded down to grass last spring,
is to be laid off into three large beds to be devoted to a collection of some seventy-
five French lilacs. Flanking these beds and at the corners of the garden will be
smaller collections of species of lilacs. The center of the garden will remain in
sod, except for two small beds of very fine peonies. A summer house on the northern
border of the garden, together with the lilacs, will serve to screen the buildings
in the background. The selection of the varieties to be included in the collection
and their arrangement in the beds is in the hands of Mr. Van Alstyne and is being
worked out on the basis of a color scheme with gradations from white thru pink, pale
blue, blue, violet, and purple to red. The garden has already been staked out and
the preparation of the several beds will soon be under way.

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A ROSE : Another project to receive attention within the near future is a bird
GARDEN : "sanctuary" in the plot of ground adjacent to Castle Street and just south
-----: of the Director's residence and north of Collier Drive. In addition to
the usual bird bath, it is intended here to provide an abundance of trees and shrub
prolific in the berries and fruit, such as certain cherries, which prove especially
attractive to birds. This planting will be arranged with respect to the size and
habit of growth of the horticultural specimens so as to fit into the general scheme
for beautifying the grounds. Also, as soon as possible, it is proposed to construct
on the south side of Collier Drive and extending from Castle Street to the green-
houses a rose garden twenty to thirty feet in width. This planting will have a back-
ground of climbers with beds of hybrid rugosas, perpetual hybrids, and hybrid tea
roses in the foreground. Mr. Van Eseltine is supervising the selection and arrange-
ment of the specimens to fill these beds.

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RECENT : Kr. Saarein of Oslo, Consulting Agriculturalist for the Norwegian govern-
CALLERS : ment, called at the Station yesterday. He was especially interested in
-----: the dairy work. Another recent caller was W. D. Smith of the National
Canners Association in Washington, D. C., who came to the Station to inspect the work
under way in the Divisions of Vegetable Crops and Chemistry on pumpkins and squash.
Muneo Kikuchi, Professor of Crop Science, Hokkaido Imperial University, Sapporo,
Japan, also called to discuss the Station work with vegetable crops. C. L. Kuehner,
Extension Specialist in Horticulture at the University of Wisconsin, visited the
Pomology Division during the past week.

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FOREIGN : We are advised on the best of authority that the only man at the
ENTANGLEMENTS: Station who ever broke into national advertising in a big way has now
-----: invaded the foreign field. In other words, Will Lydon is now demon-
strating to Belgian farmers, thru the medium of pictures (which leave nothing untold),
the benefits to be derived from cement tanks for cooling milk. More power to Will,
say we all!

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APPLE : Not in the vulgar sense in which this term has come to be used in this
SAUCE : modern age, nor by way of "filler", do we approach the subject of
-----: apple sauce. But rather with the fervent, tho probably futile, hope
that some "good house-wife" may read and go and do likewise. We quote from an item
discovered while looking thru an early number of the Genesee Farmer published in 1831,
when they took their apple sauce seriously, to wit: "At this season of the year
(October) it is customary for our good house-wives to prepare a barrel (the under-
scoring is ours) of apple sauce, for the use of the family. There is nothing novel
in this, and yet, ****we find a very great difference in quality.****Having learned
the process by which some of the best housekeepers in our acquaintance prepare the
above, we give it for the benefit of the whole. The best fruit for making apple sauce
is sweet apples of good size; let them be pared and quartered as for drying, and
spread until they have become of a brown color quite through, or what might be called
two-thirds dry; put them in a brass or copper kettle, and pour over them new cider
from the press sufficient to cover them. Let them hang over a gentle fire, and simmer
for a couple of hours, when they may be taken off and carefully put in the cask where
they are to remain." Then follows a warning against making a "jam" out of the apples
instead of a "sauce", and of the unsatisfactory results obtained from the use of old
cider, which may or may not have detracted from the finished product, depending on
one's tastes. Little wonder that those times have come to be known as the "good old
days"!