

Station News

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Geneva, N. Y.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Mrs. Hening and to her mother, Mrs. Evans, in their grief over the death of brother and son last Monday night in a Minneapolis hospital, following a siege of illness incidental to an operation for appendicitis. Mrs. Evans left for Minneapolis Sunday night.

THE KINGSTON MEETING

The eastern meeting of the State Horticultural Society came up to all expectations and seemed to meet the requirements of the situation. The "official" attendance figures for the three days were 4,217. As no attempt had ever been made in the past to obtain an accurate check on attendance, there is no real comparison with past performance, but the feeling was that the attendance was at least up to normal. Sunny days and clear roads did much to help fill the exhibit hall and the auditorium.

ALMOST ONE APIECE

Checking up on Station publications taken away by visitors to the educational exhibits at Kingston reveals that 3,766 bulletins and circulars were distributed there. Life in the educational exhibits was made much more endurable this year by the proximity of a 4-H Club booth where spiced (not spiked) cider and applesauce cake were served to the public. Among the 4-H Club agents in attendance during the meeting was Mrs. Stella Gould Fails. A native of Geneva, Mrs. Fails spent some time at the Station during the course of her undergraduate and graduate work at Cornell on a frozen foods project.

OTHER SIDELIGHTS ON KINGSTON

Dr. W. H. Rankin greeted many of his former Station colleagues who were in attendance at the Kingston meeting. He was attending a conference on the Dutch elm disease.---The "service" clubs of Kingston made the most of the presence of Station talent in their city. Mr. Parrott addressed the Kiwanis Club on his African trip and Dr. Tukey talked about apples to the Rotary Club.---Station WKNY, a local broadcasting station, enlivened things in the exhibit hall each noon by a personal interview broadcast with exhibitors and visitors. Following a trip around the Station and College exhibits, the announcer said, "Thank you gentlemen---and Mr. Luckett". That got a laugh---we wonder why?

SPEAKING OF THE RADIO

We learned the other day that the DuBois's pup "Sandy" has one and only one favorite radio announcer who is none other than that genial master of ceremonies on the College of Agriculture broadcasts, Elmer Phillips. With the first word spoken by Mr. Phillips, Sandy takes his post in front of the radio and listens intently until Mr. Phillips has completed his announcements. Not until then will he relinquish his post and partake of his midday meal. So much for the magic of radio!

VEGETABLE BREEDING

Dr. Reinking, Dr. Glasgow, Mr. Sayre, and Dr. Tressler are scheduled to attend a conference at the College of Agriculture on Friday to discuss a projected vegetable breeding program.

IN THE MAPLE BUSH

Dr. Willits has begun a series of visits to maple syrup producing sections of the State in which he will study equipment and containers used in maple syrup making.

HEADED FOR WARMER CLIMES (WE HOPE)

Dr. and Mrs. Hucker sail from New York City tomorrow night for Santa Domingo where Dr. Hucker will study certain problems in which the Bacteriology Division has long been interested at the La Romana, Santa Domingo, plant of the South Porto Rican Sugar Company. The Huckers expect to spend a short time in Porto Rico, but will make their headquarters at La Romana. They will return to Geneva early in March. Here's hoping they escape those southern blizzards and the subs.

NO PARKING BACK OF DAIRY BUILDING

The Parking Committee wishes to call attention to the fact that the space back of the Dairy Building is not for parking. Complaints have been received lately that deliveries to that building are being blocked by cars parked there.

IN NIAGARA COUNTY

Dr. Chapman is attending Farm Bureau fruit meetings in Niagara County today and tomorrow and Dr. Tukey will also participate in meetings in that county on Thursday and Friday.

CABBAGE GROWERS

A meeting of Ontario County cabbage growers will be held in Jordan Hall next Tuesday under the auspices of the Farm Bureau. Several Staff members are scheduled to speak, including Dr. Reinking on "Yellows Resistant Cabbage Varieties", Dr. Hervoy on "The Control of Cabbage Worms and Aphis", Mr. Sayre on "Fertilizers for Cabbage", and Mr. Munn on "The Cabbage Seed Situation".

EXPLAINED FORESTRY SEED LAW

Mr. Heit was in Syracuse last Friday for a meeting of the New York Section of the American Foresters Association where he explained the workings of the recently enacted provisions of the State seed law which apply to forest seeds.

JERSEY BREEDERS

At the annual meeting of the New York State Jersey Cattle Club in Syracuse last Saturday Dr. Dahlberg was re-elected Secretary of the Club and the decision reached to hold the summer meeting and sale here at the Station on June 1.

TO EDIT AGRICULTURAL SECTION

Mr. Marquardt has been advised that he has been selected to edit the Agricultural Section of Volume 5 of the "Chemical Formulary", a service he has rendered in connection with each of the first four volumes.

CONFERRING IN ALBANY

Mr. Munn was in Albany Monday and Tuesday for conferences with officials in the State Department of Agriculture and Markets on various phases of the seed inspection service.

WINTER IN TEXAS

A communication from Leslie Hawthorn, formerly assistant in vegetable crops here at the Station and now with the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture at Winter Haven, Texas, dated January 22, says, "Great excitement here today--the first snowfall (3 inches) in 15 years! Town completely out of film!"

A FATEFUL DATE!

February 29, 1940! That day and year should be enough to make any bachelor's blood run cold! What's more, it is the date set for the Station's Leap Year party! Save the date! Mrs. Mack is in charge.

TICKETS FOR FINNISH RELIEF BENEFIT IN BUSINESS OFFICE