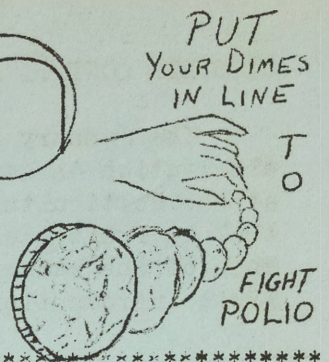


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ONTARIO GROWERS TO MEET

Vegetable growers of Ontario County will hold an all-day session in Jordan Hall on Friday and have listed Geneva and Ithaca specialists on the speaking program. Professors Sayre, Barton, and Munn will discuss some recent Station projects and Professors John Carew and M. C. Bond will tell about work conducted at Ithaca.

GUATEMALAN TRAVELOGUE

At a Station seminar scheduled for next Wednesday, Doctor Michael Szkolnik will tell about some of his experiences during a year-and-a-half stay in Guatemala. In 1949, the local plant pathologist went to Central America on an assignment for the Merck Chemical Company, in a successful effort to stamp out a disease of the cinchona tree. During his tropical interlude, he found time to record some of his technical and general observations on Kodachrome slides, which he will use in his talk. Coffee will be served at 3:30 and the seminar will begin at 4 P.M.

TO SPEAK AT ALBION

Professor Sayre will discuss latest findings on fertilizers for canning crops at a meeting of Orleans County vegetable growers in Albion, tomorrow.

THE TALLY SHEET

Despite the antics of an unfriendly weatherman, sixteen couples found their ways to Jordan Hall last Friday evening for the Station Club Bridge Party. First place awards were given to Mr. and Mrs. Herb Reitmann and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boyle; and second place winnings were captured by Mr. and Mrs. Vittum and Mr. and Mrs. Henning. Prizes for being noble losers were given to Mr. and Mrs. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Lienk. The Macks were in charge of the affair.

HOSPITAL REPORT

Back from the Clifton hospital and proudly displaying a jar of one hundred assorted gallstones is Joan Middleton. She returned to her home on Thursday and is doing very well. Her father's recovery from a heart attack is not quite as rapid and he's expected to stay at Clifton for another ten days....As if the Business Office weren't besieged by sufficient misery, Leon Jones went and broke a bone in his wrist in a fall in back of Jordan Hall last Wednesday evening--but he's still at his desk, plaster cast and all. Leon claims that his plaster-dipped arm makes a good shillala for keeping order in the office....From Fredonia comes word that Gay Swetland began his annual vacation by reporting to the hospital for an operation. That happened on Monday and no later word was received at presstime....And a very sketchy report from Columbia, Missouri, tells us that Mrs. Bob Brooks is receiving medical attention at a hospital in the "Show-Me" state....Claude Heit is back on the job after a minor operation at the Geneva Hospital recently.

JOHN CAMPBELL

Death came last week to John Campbell, a worker who left the Station's employ in 1942, after eleven years of service. "Jack" first came to the Station in 1931 and worked in the Dairy Department under Doctor Dahlberg. He was highly regarded by the many friends he made here.

BACK IN THE FOLD

After a leave of absence for the purpose of studying at Ithaca, Keith Kimball will formally rejoin the staff on February 1st. At present, however, he is spending a few days at the family home in Connecticut, where his father is in ill health.

ON BIRTH CONTROL AND SUCH

The January 22nd issue of the Rochester Times-Union carried a rather lengthy observation on some of the Station's fruit-breeding work. Based upon the exhibits at the Horticultural Meeting, the columnist aptly described the work as birth control in fruit blossoms. Interviews with Mr. Klein and Professor Slate provided much of the material which spotlighted some of the Station's recent apple and small fruit introductions.

THIS 'N' THAT

The Hort shows are over for another year and the exhibit material has been safely stored among the cobwebs. Professor Luckett and Mr. Klein returned from the Kingston meetings late Friday night. An accident which could easily have proven more serious befell Mr. Luckett when he was within minutes of being home. As he was approaching Border City a rear wheel of the Station Carryall parted company with the rest of the vehicle, bringing said Carryall to a very abrupt stop. Fortunately, the driver, sensing that something was amiss, had pulled on to the shoulder to investigate what he thought was a flat tire. The machine has been repaired and will be given a test hop today to Ithaca with Bob Wesselmann and M. T. Vittum as test pilots.....Speaking of infernal machines, a tradition, which had its conception back in the days when Professor Hartzell purchased his Model A Ford, was broken last week. Charlotte Pratt, she of velocipede fame, has traded her faithful two-wheeler for a Plymouth four-wheeler of 1952 vintage. Acquisition of the former vehicle dates back to the '30s.

HOSPITAL REPORT, II

Three more casualty reports reached the NEWS just before it went to press. Mrs. U. P. Hedrick was operated on at the Geneva General Hospital yesterday after she suffered a fall down the cellar stairs in her home breaking her hip. Her condition is reported to be good and we wish her good luck and a speedy recovery..... A fall which she suffered last week is turning out to be more serious than expected, for Lucile Holtby. X-Ray results show that she sustained a fracture of the right kneecap, and, with it all, she's been on the job ever since it happened. Tomorrow, she'll report to the hospital for casting and she's been warned that she'll be immobilized for three or four weeks. Good luck to you, too, Lucile....."Zeke" Mendel is back in the Bath Hospital, suffering a relapse after his recent operation.

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REPORTING FOR DUTY

Henry Bennett will assume his duties with the Fruit Testing Association on Friday. He'll serve as an assistant and understudy to Harry King.

Man is the only animal that laughs and weeps; for he is the only animal that is struck with the difference between what things are and what they ought to be.

--Mark Twain

If we noticed little pleasures as we notice little pains;
If we forgot our losses and remembered all our gains;
If we looked for people's virtues and their faults refused to see;
What a comfortable, happy, cheerful place this sad old world would be!