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11:00 A. M. SATURDAY

A full attendance of all Station employees who come under the regular classified list at the meeting called for 11:00 A. M. next Saturday, May 26th, is urgently requested by the Director. Announcement was made today from the Director's office of the following promotions and changes of title:

From Assistant Professor to Associate Professor--S. W. Harman, G. E. R. Hervey, G. D. Oberle, D. H. Palmiter, G. W. Pearce, and G. L. Slate.

From Investigator to Assistant Professor--W. B. Robinson, F. J. Smith, J. L. Brann, E. F. Taschenburg, and A. W. Avens.

Changes in Title--C. R. Bigelow, F. J. Kokoski, F. L. Kopko, and R. L. McCulloch from Investigator in Chemistry to Research Associate in Chemistry; R. F. Carlson and K. D. Brase, from Investigator to Research Associate in Pomology; R. F. Brooks from Investigator in Chemistry to Instructor in Bacteriology; and C. E. Heit and S. R. Patrick from Investigator in Seed Investigations to Research Associate in Seed Investigations.

Announcement was also made of the renewal for three years of the grant by the Nutrition Foundation, Inc., for studies of the chemical changes that take place in the conversion of carbohydrates to fat. Dr. Robert F. Witter is engaged on these investigations. The Sugar Research Foundation has also contributed to the project for a one-year period.

TO MAKE INSPECTION

Mr. Harold C. Knoblauch of the Office of Experiment Stations, U. S. Department of Agriculture, will make the annual inspection of the research projects of the Station supported by federal funds on Monday and Tuesday of next week, May 28 and 29.

COMES BACK NORTH

Clarence DuBois, formerly with the Chemistry Division here in connection with the freezing investigations, has resigned his position with the Louisiana Experiment Station where he was Research Associate in Food Preservation to become associated with Dr. D. K. Tressler at Westport, Conn.

GIVES CREDIT TO DR. TRESSLER

Mr. H. E. Babcock, chairman of the Board of Trustees of Cornell University, in an address at the luncheon for Governor Dewey in Willard Straight Hall on Monday, May 14th, on the occasion of the official opening of the "Mother Zero Freezer Locker Plant" in Ithaca, began his remarks as follows: "Back in the early thirties..... I first heard of the idea of freezing food to preserve it. The information came to me through Dr. Donald Tressler, who was then at the Geneva Experiment Station..My conversation with Dr. Tressler speedily convinced me that here was a good idea, also that a tremendous amount of information had to be developed about its application, if it were to be of any great value to human welfare....I scraped up some grants from concerns like the GLE and some of the public utility companies. Dr. Tressler wangled the loan of some equipment from two or three manufacturers and we got underway the work which produced the first commercially built farm freezer in the United States, the bulletins which have become the freezing rule book of thousands of housewives, and the project which we are launching here today."

CERES CIRCLE TODAY, 3:30--MRS. WELLINGTON'S RESIDENCE--TOPIC: "BUTTONS"

BACTERIOLOGISTS CONVENE

The Central New York Branch of the Society of American Bacteriologists will hold its regular spring meeting here at the Station Saturday, May 26th, with luncheon at the Seneca Hotel to be followed by a brief program and business session. Among topics on the morning program will be a summary by Dr. Alexander Hollaender, of the National Institute of Health, on studies on air disinfection and air-borne infections under way at Sampson; a report, probably by Dr. H. L. Gilman of Cornell, on investigations being carried on jointly by Dr. Gilman, Dr. Dahlberg, and Mr. Marquardt on "The Viability of Brucella abortus in Cheddar Cheese"; a paper by Doctor Hofer on his work with Dr. Richards of the Spencer Lens Company on "Bacteriophage Particles of Legume Bacteria as Seen with the Light Microscope", to be followed by a demonstration of the new phase difference microscope developed by Spencer Lens; and a report by Dr. Breed on the classification of soil and water bacteria. At the afternoon session at the Seneca Hotel, Dr. Stuart Mudd, president of the Society of American Bacteriologists, will discuss the subject, "Can Chemo-therapy be Extended to Include the Intra-cellular Disease Agents?" Dr. J. M. Sherman of Cornell is Chairman of the Branch. All members of the Station Staff and the public in general interested in the program are invited to attend both the morning and afternoon sessions.

RE-ELECTED

Doctor Hucker was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer of the national Institute of Food Technologists at a meeting of the Council of the Institute held in Rochester last week.

DR. LAWSON BACK

Doctor and Mrs. James Lawson were week-end visitors in Geneva. Doctor Lawson, now engaged in library work at the University of Toronto, served as museum preparator here at the Station from 1920 to 1935 and is responsible for much of the fine work on display in the museum.

INSECT PHYSIOLOGY

Doctor V. B. Wigglesworth, Professor of Entomology in the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and author of several notable works on insect physiology, spent yesterday at the Station visiting with the entomologists and the chemists interested in insecticides. Doctor Wigglesworth is one of a group of English scientists visiting Cornell this week and is slated to head up a new division of insect physiology under the Ministry of Agricultural Research.

TO BECOME A MARINER

Charles Lockett left last Monday for the U. S. Maritime Training Station at Sheepshead Bay to prepare for the merchant marine.

NEWLY ACQUIRED

The following books have been added to the Station Library recently:

- Miller, W. Micro-organisms of the human mouth. 1890.
- Dodge, C. Medical mycology. 1935.
- Bromfield, Louis, Pleasant valley. 1945.
- Moore, A. The farmer and the rest of us. 1945.
- Carnegie Institute of Washington Yearbook, 1943-44.
- Schillaber, C. P. Photomicrography. 1944.
