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WITH THE BEST OF GOOD WISHES



Mr. Parrott leaves Geneva tomorrow night for Washington and New York City where he will board the West Cawthon of the American-South African line which sails for Cape Town, South Africa, at midnight, Saturday. This will mark the first stage of what promises to be an exceedingly interesting journey from one end of Africa to the other, utilizing all modern methods of transportation, including considerable air travel in Africa. In Washington Mr. Parrott will confer with representatives of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and will obtain credentials relative to his commission as a special agent of the Department to make a survey of agricultural conditions in South Africa. His chief objective will be to secure information on the more important pests of agricultural crops and their products, especially of deciduous and citrus fruits. The trade relations between this country and Africa are extensive and of growing importance, and it is regarded as quite essential that the important species of fruit pests which occur there should be known in order to guard against their introduction into this country and to have some information regarding them if such introduction should occur. In addition to making field observations, Mr. Parrott plans to visit the more important university and research centers, particularly those engaged in efforts which bear on control procedures and sanitary regulations. Of particular interest to him are the studies dealing with refrigeration at low temperatures as a means of disinfection, and the large-scale operations against sleeping sickness, grasshoppers, and the codling moth. One month will be spent in Cape Colony visiting the more important apple districts, after which Mr. Parrott will travel northward with Cairo as his final objective. He expects to get back to Geneva about the last of April. Our very best wishes for a most interesting and successful trip go with Mr. Parrott on this adventure!

ACTING HEAD

During Mr. Parrott's absence from the Station, Dr. Glasgow will act as head of the Division of Entomology, according to word passed out by the Director's office.

THE SHOW GOES ON

The chrysanthemum show got off to a good start Sunday when approximately 800 people visited the greenhouses. Tomorrow evening at 8:00 o'clock the Geneva Garden Club will play host to members of the Penn Yan, Canandaigua, and Newark Garden Clubs who will meet in the greenhouse for a talk on chrysanthemums by Mr. Jahn and an inspection of the show. Arrangements are being made for special lighting effects for the occasion.

COMING HOME TODAY

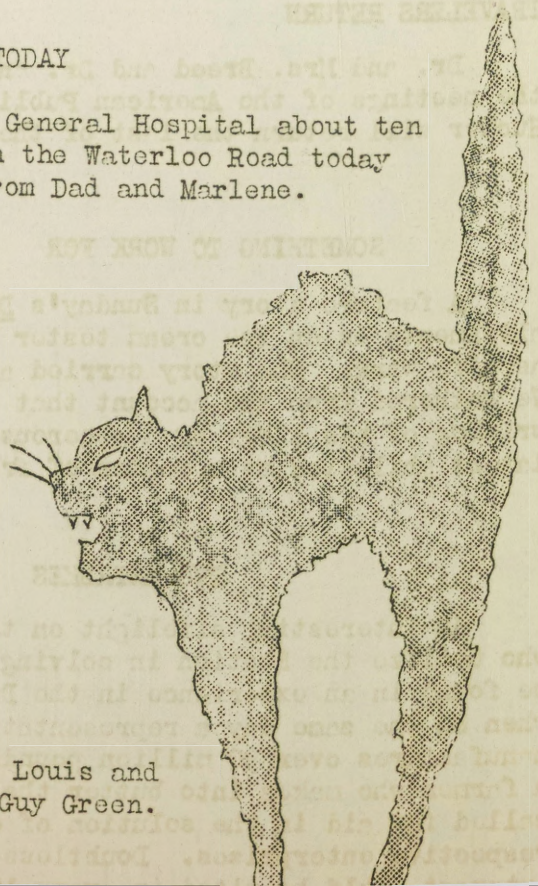
Donald Clair Crosier who arrived at the Geneva General Hospital about ten days ago, will accompany his mother to their home on the Waterloo Road today where they will find a warm welcome awaiting them from Dad and Marlene. Congratulations all around!

TO COOPERATE

Dr. Eugene C. Auchter, Assistant Chief of the Bureau of Plant Industry and head of Division of Fruit and Vegetable Crops and Diseases of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture, visited the Station last Friday to discuss plans for a new cooperative project on fruit breeding between the Station and the Department.

IN THE MIDDLE WEST

Mrs. Hedrick left the first of the week for St. Louis and Ames, Iowa, where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Guy Green.





SPEAKING OF FRUIT BREEDING

The October number of American Fruit Grower carries as one of its feature articles an account headed "The Making of a New Fruit", with a list of outstanding new varieties of the different fruits. In checking the list we find that varieties originated here are conspicuous. Two of the five red raspberries are Station seedlings, two of the four black caps, the one gooseberry and the one elderberry, two of the five strawberries, four of the twenty-two apples, two of the three nectarines, all four grapes, and four of the five pears. A pretty good batting average on the whole.

TO APPEAL TO CONSUMERS

Mr. Tapley is in Syracuse today attending a meeting of a joint committee of the New York State Vegetable Growers Association and the Empire State Potato Club to discuss plans for the joint meeting and show of these two organizations to be held in Syracuse in January. In addition to the usual trade show that has always been an important feature of these meetings, the Bureau of Markets of the State Department of Agriculture and Markets is joining forces with these two organizations in putting on a display of New York State products to appeal especially to the consumer. This exhibit will include fruits, vegetables, honey, maple products, milk, and eggs, with the several farm organizations that represent these products cooperating in the plan.

RECOVERING

Miss Holtby, who has been employed for some time as a stenographer in the Fruit Products Laboratory, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Geneva General Hospital last Saturday. She is reported to be well along on the road to recovery.

STOPPED OFF

Mr. Roy McPherson, Secretary of the State Horticultural Society, stopped off at the Station last Thursday for a brief visit with Dr. Tukey and others concerning plans for the winter meetings of the Society. He was on his way to Kingston to confer with Hudson Valley fruit growers on the eastern meeting of the Horticultural Society.

NO MILK ELECTION DAY

Notice has been posted that the milk room will be closed next Tuesday, Election Day.

TRAVELERS RETURN

Dr. and Mrs. Breed and Dr. and Mrs. Conn are expected back in Geneva today from the meetings of the American Public Health Association in New Orleans. Dr. and Mrs. Hucker will return the last of the week, having "detoured" by way of Texas.

SOMETHING TO WORK FOR

A feature story in Sunday's Democrat and Chronicle cited Dr. Dahlberg's accomplishments as an ice cream tester as something that small boys might well think about as life work. The story carried an excellent likeness of Art sampling some ice cream. We gathered from the account that the inquiring reporter was aided and abetted in the writing of his story by a generous sample of ice cream upon which to develop his latent abilities as a tester of frozen confections.

TWO EXTREMES

An interesting sidelight on the types of people who utilize the Station in solving their problems is to be found in an experience in the Dairy Division recently when on the same day a representative of a concern which manufactures over 90 million pounds of butter annually and a farmer who makes into butter the production of 20 cows called for aid in the solution of certain problems in their respective enterprises. Doubtless similar extremes of interest could be cited in every line of work at the Station.

