



Wherewith are recorded the recollections, the  
 ruminations and the respirations of those who  
 have drunk from the foaming fount of the Depart-  
 ment of Plant Pathology of the University  
 of Minnesota and who now spout forth  
 in divers ways

Let the fount foam and never run dry  
 Let the spout squirt and never lose power

Clarence C. Bausman Establishes a Memorial Fund  
for Research in Plant Pathology

The Regents of the University of Minnesota accepted for the Department of Plant Pathology and Botany on May 10, 1946, the sum of \$20,000 from the estate of Clarence C. Bausman. The income from the fund shall be used for the purpose of research in plant pathology in the State of Minnesota.

Dr. Bausman obtained his Ph.D. from Minnesota in 1919, majoring in botany and minoring in plant pathology. His thesis was entitled "Studies on the Morphology of Some Australian Algae."

OLD TIMERS

A note from Mrs. S. J. WELLENSEK, of Wageningen, Holland, brought the news that her husband was made Professor of Horticulture, with inaugural address and reception afterwards. According to her, it was made "quite an occasion." Wish we might have sent a delegate to convey our congratulations.

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A gorgeous photograph of the famed Rio de Janeiro harbor came from Elisa HIRSCHHORN, whose plane was delayed there by uncertain weather. One more day and she would be in Argentina and with her family.

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The following speaks for itself:

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. SACKSTON are proud to announce  
that their adopted son, Kenneth Steven Sackston  
born July 11, 1945,  
came to live with them  
May 1, 1946.

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The customary plaint of the plant pathology wife during the field season comes from Guillermina RODRIGUEZ, of Mexico City: "José has been away almost all the time; it seems we are just engaged because he never is with me...."

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From Halle, Germany, another Old Timer recently reported: Landwirtschaftrat Dr. Kurt HUBERT, whose Minnesota days were spent in the canyon of the Tottering Tower, says he managed to save his M.S. diploma from Minnesota throughout the war. Dr. Hubert says the worst blow the war dealt his family was the death of their eldest son at the age of six. They have one daughter of 11 and three boys who are younger..... Among those he inquires about, in addition to staff members still here, are Clyde Allison, Jimmy Walter, George Hafstad, T. C. Loh, and John Churchward.

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Those who knew Karl ISENBECK, of Halle, Germany, when he was at Minnesota in 1930-1931, will be very sorry to learn of his death, through accident, during the recent war.

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Dr. Chih TU was kind enough to send several messages recently, from Sinkiang, China, indicating that his memory for people and activities in Plant Path remains good.

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Felix Pierre-Luis, of Haiti, wrote on April 30 that he hoped he had "not quite gone out of the mind of all the people in the Department. I must recall myself to their kind remembrances. Not so long ago I wrote a letter to the Seminar; I wonder whether it ever got there, for ever since I have not heard a word from the Phytobrickhaus."

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Honolulu Rosie, self-styled former secretary, otherwise known as Rosemary McLEOD, phoned us from the depot, where she had arrived from somewhere and whence she was moving on elsewhere almost immediately. Says she is scheduled to return to Honolulu after her vacation.

Post-war life in Australia sounds strangely like post-war life here and elsewhere, judging from a letter written in February by Old Timer Dr. I.A. WATSON, of the University of Sydney: Sydney University has nearly 100 percent increase in enrollment; the people want new cars; there is a terrific housing shortage. Now that travel lanes are open again, he is thinking about new students for Minnesota from various parts of the world and also about possible political discussions in seminar. Says he, "And if Ed Andrews were there he would have great fun sifting out the good from the bad in a lot of these ideas." Sends good wishes to his friends.

Dr. Jack WESTERN, at Manchester, England, wishes he might have been able to say "Meet me in St. Louis." Says he was with us when last the group invaded that city. Sent a snapshot in which he figures prominently, at least in percentage of total space occupied. About this he says, "Look again and reassure yourselves that the old guy is still there--a little longer in the tooth perhaps, but on occasion the eye still twinkles, and the jokes--while still not funny--are still moderately clean."

At the University of Manchester also is Old Timer Alan R. GEMMELL, who professes himself to be happy about resuming academic life again. He is in charge of elementary botany lectures and labs, finds the days scarcely long enough for all he wants to do, and looks forward to research a little later. He says, "Western is here at the moment (Feb. 25)...and we have relived many of the grand old days at St. Paul already and have many other things still to talk over. He is much the same as ever save for a marked increase in girth from which we all unhappily suffer." Because of the housing shortage (here we go again!), Mrs. Gemmell has remained in Scotland with their new son, Alastair Miller Duncanson, born February 9 at 3:45 pm.

At the University of Cambridge, School of Agriculture, Old Timer Sydney DICKINSON wrote late last year that they were "simply inundated with students." Said his family were all together still, and still in their own home, for which they were grateful. Daughter Margaret is in her School Certificate year and hopes to go to Oxford to take up history. Other remarks deal with the less cheerful aspects of post-war existence and therefore will not be put into this cheerful, optimistic journal (???)

Recent Old Timer Eric SHARVELLE, now in the Hoosier realm of the so-called State of Indiana, finds life strange as a bachelor, for his family of wife and two children (the girl's a blonde, he'd have you know) parted from him in New York City and reached Ireland by plane in less time than it took Eric to return to Indianer by automobile.... "Greetings to all the boys and girls of the edifice I admire and greatly respect, and my thanks for all they meant to me from 1939 to 1946."

Ralph LINDGREN's deep voice was heard in the halls on June 28 but he rushed off almost right away to see the dentist. Apparently he has been almost everywhere there is to go and seen all sorts of sights. He knows the continent of Africa intimately, at least judging from what your reporter overheard, and has been looked down upon by many a handsome giraffe. We'd like to hear more. Now he is off to Mexico!

Dr. David GOTTLIEB, now Assistant Chief in Plant Pathology, Department of Horticulture, at Illinois, asks to have his address changed on the Aurora mailing list. Says his family is growing up, with daughter Deene in the chattering stage and son Jan sprouting up. Sends best wishes.

Major Huey BORDERS flew up from Florida and spent June 13 with us.

Told us about beans and Borders, hurricanes, the Homestead Experiment Station, about meeting duCharme down there, and lots of entertaining "little old" things. He was full of beans, even after losing a night's sleep!



From the same source comes the story of a group observing a demonstration in Florida. Among the group was Coyt WILSON from Alabama. When the latter's name was mentioned, Borders pricked up his ears and a Minnesota meeting was held, although the two had never met. Sure of the magic in the name Wilson, Coyt had patiently awaited recognition. Such is fame!

Dr. Olaf S. AAMODT, chief of forage crops and diseases in the U.S.D.A., has gone to Alaska but we don't know why. Seems pretty far to go grazing.

One of the Old Timers in his organization, C. Lewis ALLISON (Lew), arrived at Minnesota on June 13 just in time for coffee at evening seminar. Lew and behold he is leaving Wisconsin to take new work in Beltsville, Md., as coordinator in the forage division.

It is our understanding that Dr. Howard JOHNSON, whose position Allison is taking, will be located at Stoneville, Mississippi, where he will take a more active part in the research of the Forage division.

One of our traveling ambassadors returned from Cornell with the news that Leon J. TYLER was in travel status and might come to Minnesota. So far we haven't seen him, but we are hoping!

On June 7 C. J. "Big Andy" ANDERSON arrived. After discharge from the army in 1943, he took up his old work of "looking for bugs and things" at ports of entry for the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine, stationed first at San Francisco, more recently in Seattle. Listen, you gals who worked in the Division way back when, he asked about you!

Dick DAVIDSON, Minnesota potato man and man of general culture, although not in the botanical sense alone—stated in a letter to one of his Minnesota correspondents that he wished to be remembered to every one he knew here and to say hello to every one he didn't know! We hope he isn't losing potatoes or culture in Rhode Island.

Dr. Harold FLOR, Ph. D. 1929, Pathologist in the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Fargo, N. Dak., spent several part-time days with us. His wife, native of Albert Lea, and two daughters also inspected the building and chatted with many of the Old Timers.

While Dr. Flor was in the midst of a serious pathological discussion in walked Dr. Peewee WALLACE, another Ph. D. 1928, and another famous kittenball player. Dr. Peewee is stationed at Riverside, California, with the University, working on virus diseases of citrus. This famous virologist is the same good old soul he was when he left here in 1927. He played golf with Dr. Flor and he intends to play with Dr. RODENHISER, who, according to Wallace, will be here on July 3. We are looking forward to meeting the families of both.

Tommy KING, who returned to Minnesota for commencement exercises and to get his wife, informed us that Dr. C. C. ALLISON had been made a full Professor by the University of Ohio, where he will devote his energy and enthusiasm to teaching and research in plant pathology. Congratulations!

Earl D. HANSING, of Kansas State College, is being advanced to the rank of Associate Professor on July 1. More congratulations! Says Earl, "My research will continue primarily on the smuts of wheat, oats, and barley."

"Walter N. EZEKIEL, recently stationed at the Naval Ordnance Laboratory, Silver Spring, Md., and previously plant pathologist at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, is now principal mycologist, Bureau of Ordnance, Navy Department, Washington, D. C." From SCIENCE, May 10, 1946

Congratulations on professorships are not the only congratulations due Old Timers: H. H. "Thorny" THORNBERRY reported directly to Aurora that he was married

on June 18 to Kathryn Winder at Pecatonica, Illinois. Mrs. Thornberry taught English at Illinois during the past year and is also teaching in summer school. Says the bridegroom: "An invitation is extended to pay us a visit."

Jimmy WALTER, whose new address is not yet known, but who is scheduled to move to Columbus, Ohio, when he finds a domicile, or even if he doesn't, has been occupied in tearing down the Dutch elm disease laboratory at Merristown, N. J. Says he to the Chief here, "Hope you've had the satisfaction of meeting the ball squarely often in showing the boys how to bat this season, and that your team is the best in the league as usual... (Jimmy really is out of date, isn't he?).... My best regards to all of the outfit who remember me."

Dr. Milton H. "Kerny" KERNKAMP, of the U. S. Sugar Plant Field station at Meridian, Mississippi, recalls how he longed for petri plates and test tubes while overseas. Now that he is surrounded with these tools of the trade and with shoulder-high sorghum in which diseases are beginning to develop, he is happy. "I know now that I knew what I was talking about at the time. I'm really beginning to appreciate how much I did miss them." He says Mohn PRESLEY is only 90 miles from Meridian, and Kerny hopes to visit him soon.

Word has been received that Delia E. JOHNSON died suddenly last April. At the time of her death she held one of the leading positions in the Department of Public Health of the University of Nebraska, where she was doing excellent work and was highly regarded. Miss Johnson received her Ph. D. at the University of Minnesota in 1930, working with Dr. J. G. Leach on the relation of the cabbage maggot and other insects to the spread and development of soft rot of crucifers. She will also be remembered by Old Timers for her work on bacteria antibiotic to smuts and other fungi and on chitin-destroying bacteria while she was a member of the Department.

#### BOOKSHELF

BAILEY, Canadian plant pathology in retrospect and prospect, Agr. Inst. Rev., Sept. SANFORD, Soil-borne diseases and microflora, Soil Sci., Jan. GREANEY, Seed-borne diseases, prevalence and control, Scien. Agr., Feb. NEWTON (Margaret) and PETURSON\*, Barley leaf rust, yield and quality, Canad. J. Res., Dec. The same lady and JOHNSON, Phys. races *P. graminis tritici* in Canada 1944, Ibid., April. JOHNSON and the lady again, Cereal rusts: specialization, hybridization, mutation, Bot. Rev. No. 6. JOHNSON (all alone), DDT and stem rust reaction of Khapli, Canad. J. Res. Apr.

COONS (wonder what he will think about being included here?), Argentine curly top of sugar beet, Jour. Agr. Res. No. 1.

Phytopath., June, has HANSING\*, Oats loose smut, and DECKER, blue lupine.

In Plant Disease Reporter there are BORDERS on late blight, CASSELL\* on vegetable diseases, VALLEAU, and JOHNSON and VALLEAU, reporting Kentucky troubles.

What did the people here write? 1/3 of the ff: Flag smut of wheat in Mexico, Phytopath., June.



\* Other authors)

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REMEMBER the Mud Flats! Rainfalls of 1.51 in. and 1.80 in., followed by 2.03 in., resulted in flooded conditions in the low spots of the University Farm field plots for three days. One potato plot was killed entirely. Several competent drivers were mired, but not admired, for their recklessness in trying to navigate the slippery roads.

May rainfall 1946 = 2.55 in.  
3-yr.av=5.17 in.

June rainfall 3 yr.av. = 6.98 in.  
1946 = 7.70, with more to come we hope not (as of 6/28)

#### LITERATURE SEMINAR

May 2. Purchase of 3 books by the library committee (Starling of the Whitehouse, Autobiography of William Allen White, and This House Against This House) stimulated a discussion on national ethics as they influence world peace. Mr. Hak presented the plant disease picture of Egypt, dwelling especially on their method of rice culture. Food was on Frank Stevenson.

May 9. Thor Kommedahl officiated for the 18th Seminar of the year. Reminiscences were stimulated by letters from Old Timers Jimmy Walter, N.J., Garcia-Rada, Peru, Dixon Lloyd Bailey, Toronto, and Syed Vaheeduddin, India. The Tottering Tower was brought to life for the benefit of the youngsters of the Department. Recent talks by Dr. Waksman were discussed. Tables were turned with "Where were you born?" Bill Loegering on the receiving end.

May 16. Reintroduction of Old Timer Don deZeeuw brought chuckles and souvenir signs HERREN, DAMEN, und RAUCHZIMMER. The Seminar has not decided whether to put the signs to use or to leave them on display in the Seminar Room. Literature was reviewed. Seminar feted Dr. Stakman on the occasion of his birthday. Happy Birthday, Doc!

May 23. Rodrigo Orellana officiated. Recent frost injury on a nation-wide scale was pointed out. Literature review included winter injury to wheat and a recent paper on smuts by Fischer and Elisa Hirschhorn. Chet Wismer entertained us with food and colored slides of Hawaii.

May 30. Memorial Day and a Holiday!!

June 6. Introduced was Mr. Hasnain of India, student of plant genetics and plant path. More books for the Seminar library. JJC was induced to offer congratulations to newly-elected Sigma Xi candidates: Mrs. Ling, Ellis Darley, and Coyt Wilson. John Rowell precipitated a heated discussion of adaptation and the role of genes and cytoplasm in this adaptation. Harry Young had difficulty maintaining the chair after providing the food, because of Walt Thomas's persistent efforts to pass the candidate. Chris finally passed Harry with reservations.

June 13. Walt Hendrix' offer of Hawaiian sugar was unanimously accepted by the Seminar. Hint to the sugar experts: we could use some of your produce for comparative tests in our coffee. Walt Thomas reviewed literature on take-all disease of wheat. Thor Kommedahl and Clyde Christensen stressed forest pathology with papers on a phloem necrosis of elm and canker stain of plane trees. Dr. Stakman discussed Luther Burbank and other less famous if more skilled plant breeders. Misra of India provided food and pertinent comments on the question of freedom for India. Earl Hanson introduced J. Lewis Allison, who made a very interesting talk on his recent travels to Montana, with crop and weather reports.

June 20. The presentation of a number of books by the library committee (Hart, Loegering, C.M. Christensen, Tervet, Daly) led easily to the question of why these were good books. The general conclusion is that they are good books if they are



independent of time and space. Dr. Stakman reviewed the rust situation, pointing out that this is a light rust year to date. Walt Thomas showed some of his work on the epidemiology of late blight of potatoes. Mrs. Ling, up for refreshments, answered questions on Formosa or Tiawan, the first point of her imminent return to China.

June 27. A better-late-than-never box of marriage cigars on Walt Hendrix, and a box on Senor Jim Lyle (successful Spanish exam) caused such a blue haze in the Seminar room that speakers for the evening had difficulty in finding the front of the room. Noel Robertson of the British Colonial Office compared Scotch and English educational systems, complete with Scotch burr and chalk illustrations. Dr. Stakman introduced orator Peewee Wallace, of Riverside, California, who showed slides and talked on some of his work with viruses on sugarbeets and citrus trees. Dorothy Gordon served and supplemented the Colorado Chamber of Commerce.

#### REGULAR SEMINAR

Seminar closed for the season with a burst of speed to include for the year 4 papers from the previous year, 19 regular papers, and 18 short papers.

In May, Mohan Gattani finished his discussion of the behavior of diploid lines of Ustilago zeae. The discussion proceeded quickly to adaptive enzymes by W. Feldman and inheritance of biochemical reactions in fungi by Frank Stevenson. Potato work was well reviewed in the effect of fungicides on potatoes by Jim Lyle, physiologic specialization of Phytophthora infestans by Martha Kotila, bacterial soft rot problem of potato tubers by Nancy Ling, and the effect of environmental factors on the development of potato scab by Rodrigo Orellana.

The remainder of May and June were filled with carefully clocked talks, unlimited discussions and an occasional lucky name drawn with absolute non-discrimination from a hat. The following list gives an idea of the range of interests of the students: Helminthosporium diseases of corn--Robles, breeding for disease resistance in alfalfa--McLennan, diseases of soybeans--Boosalis, black stem rust in Egypt--M.A.G. Ayad, flagellosis in Asclepias syriaca--H.C. Barnett, resistance of raspberry varieties to mosaic and the inheritance of resistance--R.C. Lamb, techniques used in catching microorganisms in aerobiology--C.E. Logsdon, sources of resistance and inheritance of reaction to leaf rust, Puccinia anomala in barley--K.T. Payne, pathological problems in potato production in Ecuador--L. Rodriguez, toxicity in plants caused by insect feeding--R. Steward, breeding sorghum resistant to Pythium root rot--J.R. Thysell, the microflora of the rhizosphere--C.A. Wismer, and molds in stored grains--K. Yao.

Almost as numerous were the short papers not presented, but the general consensus of opinion is that this was a particularly successful season.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE

Several contributions to the general edification of the public have been made, all of them in the form of classes at the Elevator Operators Short Course given during the last two weeks of June. In the order of their appearance, but not necessarily the order of importance, were speeches by J. J. Chris on the microflora of the seed, Hanson on the discoloration of seed, Moore on seed treatments and protectants, C. M. Chris on molds and storage of grains, and Tervet on problems of handling soybeans.

Most of the Department's "spud men" have been circulating among the growers dispensing bits of information here and there, and doing what C. J. Eide likes to call "Feeling the Public Pulse."

Not in the same vein, but definitely of service to a "limited public" has been the distribution of strawberries among various and sundry members of the Department by Mader and Teller.



LOCALS

June has been one tea party after another, as a steady exodus has taken place from the old stamping grounds. Early in the month Chet Wisner started back for Hawaii....Luis Rodriguez, from Ecuador, left to tour the southern part of the United States during the lovely months of July and August; then he returns to Ecuador, the Land of Eternal Spring. Under the emotional stress of his farewell tea he almost admitted that he preferred Minnesota in January! ....Huan-ru Wang, Mu-Hwa Pu, and Nancy Ling left at the end of the month to catch the boat leaving San Francisco July 9 for China..... Frank Stevenson is turning from teaching in the General College at Minnesota to investigating virus diseases of potato at Pullman, Washington. Incidentally, he passed his prelim on June 27..... Merle Michaelson went to Delaware to work on white pine blister rust, but he will be back with us again next fall.....Earl Hanson starts, or is scheduled to start, on July 1 on a new job at Madison, Wisconsin, where he will work on forage crops and diseases for the U. S. Department. As of the end of June he was still working on his old job here..... Ian Tervet is breaking a long association with the Minnesota plant path department to become professor of plant pathology at the University of Nebraska.

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Monsieur le Professeur E. C. Stakman has just received a diploma dated May 20, 1946, appointing him a foreign member of "L' Académie Royale d'Agriculture de Suède fondée par le Roi, le 28<sup>me</sup> Décembre 1811."

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June commencement brought an M.S. for Nancy Ling and a Ph.D. for Tommy King. Tommy returned from Ohio to receive diploma and hood in person. \* \* \* \* \*

\* \* \* June 25 brought a baby girl to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Young Jr. \* \* \* \* \*

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Don Munnecke returned from army duty in the South Pacific May 31. Temporarily he is examining rust slides and renewing his acquaintance with the physiologic-race survey in the greenhouse.

Don deZeeuw, also recently returned from service, is not to be downed by a housing situation or anything else. Dorothy, the pup, and Donald arrived one bright day in June in their house trailer, parked near University Farm in a shady lane, and went to work.

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Elected to Sigma Xi were Nancy Ling, Coyt Wilson, and Ellis Darley.

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Jim Lyle can now officially read Spanish; Dorothy Gordon and H. W. Bockstahle German.

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During June we enjoyed the visits of Dr. McNew of the U. S. Rubber Co.; Richard Pen from Ohio States; and Noel Robertson from Edinburgh, who is touring this country preliminary to going to West Africa to work on virus diseases.

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Dr. L. W. Melander made a trip in June, first to the San Juan basin in Colorado to see how experiments on chemical eradication of barberries were coming, then to the Palouse area of Washington, and to Seattle to inspect the University arboretum collection of Berberis.

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In the realm of sports, "sackcloth and ashes" appear to be in vogue in Plant Path of recent times. After getting off to a good start by winning the first three softball games, fate dealt us a terrible blow. We could blame the loss of the final two games on injuries and the loss of our star first-baseman, but we shan't even whisper such an excuse. Neither will we mention the hackneyed cry "wait 'til next year!" The team just bears up as best it may under the terrible blow and hopes the Chief will deign to speak to them again.



At the Minnesota Horticultural Society meeting at University Farm on September 23, all manner of questions were fired at the so-called experts on hand from Horticulture and Plant Pathology. Problems ranged from vegetables to ornamentals and back again, until the experts appeared to be stumped on one. Up spoke a voice in the audience, "The thing you want to do is see, Miss Dodsall." And Daisy Abbott, English garden expert for the St. Paul Pioneer Press, confirmed the recommendation with, "She is the most useful woman I know of by a long ways!"

News Item of The Year: William Q. Loegering has acquired a new (if you want to call it that) car??? A red and black 1932 Model T Square Tin Lizzy. It has a one foot brake but it hasn't functioned lately since shoe leather is getting quite costly. Bill is now having it overhauled -- new tires, chassis, wheels, seats, motor, and fenders. Quite a saving, since he doesn't have to buy a new front bulb.

Minnesota has certainly been enjoying excellent weather. The Chief's conviction that this is "typical" remains to be seen. If the next issue of the Aurora is delayed you can blame it on Minnesota's "typical salubrious climate."

#### BOOKSHELF

Walter,\* Canker stain of planetrees, N. Y. Circular 360.

Kreitlow,\* Improving pastures, grasslands for N. E. States, U.S.D.A. Misc. Pub. 590.

Wellensiek, Het Streven naar Geluck, speech before Senate of Agricultural School at Wageningen. (see Old Timers Column, recent issue).

Leach,\* The cytology of *Ustilago striiformis* forma *poae pratensis* in artificial culture. Phytopath., October; Person, The soil rot of sweet potatoes and its control with sulphur, Ibid., October; Newhall, More on the name *Ausalospora acerina*, Ibid., October.

Chilton,\* Some characters inherited independently of reaction to physiologic races of *Cercospora oryzae* in rice, Jr. Am. Soc. Agronomy, October; Sackston, Flax diseases in Manitoba in 1945.

Can. Plant Dis. Survey 25th Report, August.

Stakman, Plant Pathologist's Merry-Go-Round. A survey of the never ending battle against plant diseases. Jr. Heredity, October.

\*Other authors.

A Sad Tale To Relate

A memorandum was issued to staff members from the Acting Chief, J. J. Christensen. The long-awaited invasion had been scheduled. The air was rife with speculation. Queries like "How will Eagle take it when he returns?" and "What will Matt Moore say when fragments of gadgets are discarded?" occupied the conversation of the students customarily engaged in speculation anyway. Practically all able-bodied males were conscripted for service, irrespective of their marital or occupational status. The day for cleaning the fieldhouse had arrived!! General Chris could be seen directing the campaign, dressed in his oldest son's oldest clothes. The only audible order in the grand melee was "Throw it away!" Matt Moore, approaching the fieldhouse surreptitiously through the apple orchard, obviously trying to salvage some of the debris without being observed, was caught with his fingers in the mechanism of Millardet's sprayer. When discovered he slipped away from the crowd, looking straight ahead with his jaws working. Eide sauntered over to scan the junk pile for castaways likely to be useful in his back yard, like wire and short pieces of 2 x 4. Rats running out of the doors and windows resembled a Lemming migration. Harry Young found a small bag of copper sulfate marked "Prevost, 1807, SAVE!" Mike Daly found, hanging from the rafters, some smut collections with a label that was scarcely legible. It was written in French and after translation was found to be Tillet's collection. What a day of thrills it was; what memories were resuscitated! That's what Chris says, "What memories!"

Upon completion of the main floor and attic, a reconnaissance crew volunteered to descend to the basement. Two graduate students of ancient vintage and infected with Rigor mortis were found behind packs of fertilizer.\* They too, were thrown away.

The fieldhouse is scarcely recognizable as such anymore. It has no atmosphere; no past speaks forth--bare walls make it seem bleak and foreboding. One shrugs his shoulders, as though to cast off a feeling of loneliness. The link with past has been severed. It is only a field house and be it ever so humble it'll never be home. It is very sad.

\* The administration hotly denies this, explaining that they were only scarecrows used by Olaf Lamont in the dark ages when he was the plot supervisor.

