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votes his whole time to study and experiments with ornamental plants.

LAWN AND GARDEN COMPETITIONS

Prof. H. L. Hutt, formerly of the Guelph Agricultural College, in presenting the report of the committee on lawn and garden competitions, took advantage of the occasion to announce that he was no longer connected with the Agricultural College, his resignation having been asked for by the Minister of Agriculture, who had declined to give him a satisfactory reason for his action. Prof. Hutt stated that he had laid the matter before Premier Hearst. The committee in their report described the methods of conducting lawn and garden competitions that have been tried by different horticultural societies in the province, and gave helpful suggestions for the conduct of such work. Further mention of this work will be published later.

Mr. M. L. Lay, of Walkerton, gave a practical and interesting address on the "Culture of Sweet Peas." An extract from this address is published elsewhere in this issue and the balance of the address will be published later.

Mr. Bertrand H. Farr, of Wyomissing, Pa., one of the most successful growers of perennials in the United States, gave a lengthy address in which he dealt with succession of bloom and varieties of paeonies and perennials that have given him the best satisfaction. We expect to publish extracts from this address later.

THE APPLE OUR NATIONAL DISH

A suggestion contained in the president's address that the association should endorse the proposal to have the apple selected as the national dish of Canada was heartily endorsed by the convention in the form of a motion moved by Mr. W. T. Macoun, the Dominion Horticulturist, and seconded by H. B. Cowan, President of The Canadian Horticultural Association. The adoption of this report suggested the idea that steps might be taken also to select a national flower. Several different flowers were suggested and a resolution was carried authorizing the directors of the Association to consider the advisability of having the paeony selected as the national flower.

The directors were requested to make arrangements, if found practical, for conducting excursions of members of the local horticultural societies to the parks of Rochester, N.Y., and Ottawa.

The members approved of having the Association affiliate with the National Council of Women, and Mrs. R. L. Brierton was elected its representative to that Association.

Mr. T. D. Dockray, of Toronto, led in a helpful discussion of the best methods of conducting flower shows. He stated that they were useful for the purpose of stimulating an interest in horticulture and increasing the membership of societies. The arrangements should be left in the hands of a show committee.

Messrs. J. H. Bennett, Barric, Ont., J. Cavers, Oakville, and Prof. H. Thompson, of Toronto University, were appointed a committee to act in conjunction with an already existing committee appointed by the Canadian Horticultural Association, to take steps to see that a National Plant Registry be established at as early a date as possible. It was suggested that the committee should correspond with the authorities of the Central Experimental Farm to ask that a qualified member of its staff be appointed to aid the committee in all ways possible.

Mr. F. E. Buck, of Ottawa, presented the report of the committee on Names of Varieties. The report this year dealt with an-