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RABBIT EXPERIMENT STATION
TO BE DEDICATED MARCH 3

With all construction details completed and with a large stock of rabbits on hand, the United States Rabbit Experiment Station, maintained by the Division of Fur Resources of the Bureau of Biological Survey in cooperation with the National Rabbit Federation and local rabbit breeders at Fontana, Calif., will be formally opened March 3. It is expected the dedication ceremonies will be attended by the Governor of California and other State officials. Paul G. Redington, chief of the Biological Survey, will represent the Department of Agriculture.

First of its kind in the country, the station will be under the directorship of D. Monroe Green, formerly of the Washington office of the Biological Survey, who went to Fontana several months ago to take charge of the erection of the station. Assisting Mr. Green will be John W. Meyer, formerly of the office of exhibits of the United States Department of Agriculture, who, with his family, recently moved to the California community.

The station is in a beautiful orange grove, only a few blocks from the Fontana town site. Structures on the site include the administration building, superintendent's residence, a two-car garage, a number of buildings containing rabbit hutches, a large feed building, and a storage structure. The administration building is of Spanish architecture typical of the section and contains executive offices, laboratory, and a large assembly room.

On the program arranged for the dedication are scheduled brief talks by departmental and State officials and a tour of inspection, followed by a dinner, on the menu of which rabbit meat will be featured, and a ball at the Fontana Inn. A feature of the ball will be a style revue in which models will display the latest creations in rabbit fur.

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