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MERRY CHRISTMAS: It is again our pleasure to extend our wishes for a Merry Christmas TO ALL : to all. To those who have eagerly awaited Santa Claus the Christmas Day has much to offer. It is a day of rejoicing for those imbued with spiritual inclinations. Even to those who sense in a minor way the spirit of Christmas, the day offers a splendid chance for relaxation. The NEWS is sincere, therefore, in extending a Merry Christmas to all.

THE CHRISTMAS PARTY : A large number of Station folks and their friends attended the Station Club Christmas Party on Friday. The Christmas play, the appearance of Santa Claus, the singing of Christmas carols, and a contest were the feature events of the evening. The youngsters were well satisfied with the generosity of Santa Claus. The committee responsible for the success of the party included Mrs. Dahlberg, Mrs. Breed, and Santa Claus. The committee received excellent help from Mrs. Tapley, Mrs. Sipple, and Mr. Sweeney.

VISITS ALBANY: Prof. Parrott was in Albany during the past week for the purpose of AND : attending a conference held by the Department of Agriculture and WASHINGTON : Markets. He was called to Washington on Friday to attend a conference held in the Bureau of Entomology.

SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS : Director Hedrick and twenty members of the Staff will journey to Cleveland next week to attend the annual gathering of the American Society for the Advancement of Science.

ENTOMOLOGISTS MEET : Prof. Parrott, Dr. Glasgow, Dr. Chapman, Dr. Gambrell, Mr. Hartzell, and Dr. Hockett will participate in Scientific meetings at Cleveland next week.

PATHOLOGISTS MEET : Drs. Horsfall, Hamilton, and Clayton will participate in the Cleveland meetings of the American Phytopathological Society.

HORTICULTURAL MEETINGS : Several members of the Horticultural Department will go to Cleveland next week to attend the 27th annual meeting of the American Society for Horticultural Science. The meetings will be held at Western Reserve University on December 29, 30, and 31. The following papers will be presented by members of the staff:

- A chemical thumb test for distinguishing Mazzard and Mahaleb.....B. R. Nebel
- Some factors in the production of cherry trees in the nursery.....H. B. Tukey and Karl Brase
- The use of peat and mulch paper in field nursery operations.....H. B. Tukey and Karl Brase
- Recent findings in cytology of fruits.....B. R. Nebel
- The value of the European grape in breeding grapes for New York State.....Richard Wellington
- The common apple, its taxonomic history and present systematic status.....G. P. Van Eseltine
- Some effects of nutrient solutions on the structure, composition and quality of peas.....C. B. Sayre and B. R. Nebel

Mr. Tukey is Secretary-Treasurer of the Association, and he is also a member of the executive committee and the program committee.

SEED ANALYSTS MEET : Mr. Munn, Mrs. Sipple, and Miss Woodbridge will attend the Cleveland meetings of the Botanical Society and the sessions of the Association of Official Seed Analysts next week. They will present papers at the sessions for the Analysts; and Mr. Munn will also give a report of the work of the International Association of Seed Analysts.

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BOSTON : The Society of American Bacteriologists will hold its 32nd Annual Meet-
MEETINGS : ing in Boston on Dec. 29, 30, and 31. Several members of the staff plan
-----: to attend these meetings. The following papers will be presented by
members of the staff:

The Genus Leucohostoc.....G. J. Hucker and C. S. Pederson.
The effect of certain simple non-nitrogenous salts on the growth of
bacteria in soil.....H. J. Conn.
Floral changes in the fermentation of sauerkraut....C. S. Pederson.

Doctor Prickett, formerly of our staff, will address the General session and present
a paper before the Agricultural and Industrial section.

Doctor Breed will act as chairman of a Session organized to discuss the important
work of the International Commission on Bacteriological Nomenclature. Dr. Breed is
the permanent Secretary of this Commission.

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TO VISIT: Col. and Mrs. Sayre plan to spend the holidays with Mrs. Sayre's folks
CHAMPAIGN: at Champaign, Illinois. Col. Sayre's first vacation after a 16-month
-----: period of hard effort will be brief as meetings at Syracuse will require
his attention during the first week in January.

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CONCERNING: Mr. Henning's splendid presentation over WEAI yesterday concluded our radio
WEAI : activities for this year. Several talks had been listed for the remain-
-----: ing days of December, but these will not be presented as the Federal
Radio Commission has requested station WEAI to make some changes in physical equip-
ment. This move will necessitate the closing of station WEAI for a period of about
10 days.

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THE STAFF: The NEWS wishes to call attention again to the January Staff meeting. As
MEETING : previously recorded the meeting will be held on Monday, January 5, and
-----: Dr. Warren of Cornell will address the staff.

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IN INDIANA: Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Luckett and Jr. departed on Saturday for Lafayette,
-----: Indiana. They plan to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Luckett's
folks, Mr. and Mrs. Williams. Mr. Luckett will go to Cleveland after Christmas to
attend the meetings held in connection with the annual gathering of the American
Association for the Advancement of Science.

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A RUSSIAN : Dr. N. N. Kuleshov, an instructor in Plant Industry at Leningrad, visited
VISITOR : the Station during the past week. Dr. Kuleshov was impressed with the
-----: horticultural activities at the Station.

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ANOTHER : On Dec. 20 a baby girl arrived at the Daniel home. Our strutting major
GIRL : from the South is rejoicing over the event, and the Station staff thru
-----: the courtesy of the NEWS extends congratulations to the Daniel family.

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A MICHIGAN: Miss Grace Blakeborough who is seed analyst with the Farm Bureau Services,
VISITOR : Inc., of Lansing, Michigan, spend three days last week in the seed
-----: laboratory, acquainting herself with New York's methods of analyzing and
testing farm seeds.

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A CALIFORNIA: Dr. A. M. Boyce of the Citrus Experiment Station, Riverside, Californ-
VISITOR : ia, spent Monday with the Division of Entomology. Dr. Boyce was
-----: formerly with the spray service of New York State.

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SEMINARS : On account of the Boston and Cleveland meetings the Station seminars
-----: will be discontinued until after January 1.

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CONTRACTS : During the past week Dr. Hedrick received word from Albany stating
AWARDED : that the contracts for the new building had been awarded as follows:

Construction of Building: The De Hamel Construction Company
of Cleveland.

Heating Work: Barr and Creelman of Rochester.

Sanitary Work: Hickey Brothers of Olean.

Electrical Work: William Kallock of Rochester.