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RED CROSS

Send the Red Cross wherever it goes--
And it must go everywhere an American goes--
Now its forces of Mercy are healing, mainly,
the Wounds of War
But--Reserve forces stand ready for disasters
of every type--floods, fires, famine--if
humans are in need the Red Cross is there--
Think about the Red Cross every day--

WAR FUND

The 1944 Red Cross War Fund the Experiment Station next Wed until everyone has had an opportunity, altho it is hoped to as the Station is concerned with Tukey is chairman of the Station following persons aiding him in the Miss Maude Hogan, Miss Jessie fercn, Dr. Lee, Dr. Magie, and Geneva Chapter is \$51,500. The above last year, in recognition of the fact that the professional and white-collar groups have not shared in the increased wages that have been enjoyed by most industries. The so-called Industrial and Commercial Divisions in the local campaign are carrying the brunt of the load. Even at that, however, it means substantial contributions all around if we are to do our part in keeping the Red Cross "At his side".

Give generously
to the 1944
Red Cross Fund

March is
Red Cross
Fund Month

campaign opens nationally and at nesday, March 1, and will continue tunity to make his or her contri- clean up the solicitation so far in two or three days. Dr. H. B. Red Cross committee with the fol- campaign: Miss Betty Cullinan, Sperry, Dr. Chapman, James Hef- Mr. Slate. The quota for the Station's quota is \$490, just \$40

INCORPORATED

Dr. Conn was in Philadelphia Monday for the first meeting of the Board of Directors of the newly incorporated Biological Stain Commission. As is generally known, Dr. Conn has been chairman of the Commission for several years. The organization has just been granted a charter by the University of the State of New York, giving it a legal status it has never had in the past. The action makes no change in the operation of the Commission. Dr. Conn attended a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Commission which formally accepted the charter and then became the Board of Trustees. Headquarters of the Commission will continue to be at Geneva as in the past. The chief function of the Stain Commission is to test and standardize biological stains manufactured in this country, an activity that has been greatly expanded since Pearl Harbor.

A CHANGE OF HOURS

The Jordan Hall Neighborhood Red Cross group which has been meeting on Wednesdays and Thursdays to fold surgical dressings announces a change of hours to begin next week. Hereafter, the meeting days will be Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 1 to 4, and Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9.

ICE CREAM FORMULAS

Doctor Hucker upon his return from a recent trip to Chicago tells of a brief visit with Mr. and Mrs. Hening. Among other things, Court is working on ice cream formulas for the Quartermaster Corps and is enjoying his connections with the subsistence laboratory with its many and varied problems.

A CALAMITY INDEED

We are indebted to Extension Echoes for the following moving story on the plight of negro farm operators: "Enough to make even the most hardened reader shed bitter tears is a passage in the 1943 report of cooperative extension work in agriculture and home economics, as directed to War Food Administrator Marvin Jones by M. L. Wilson, extension service director. In the section on negro extension work, we find this: 'It is estimated that 600,000 (negro farm operators) have chickens, leaving 81,000 without chickens.'"

OUR SINCERE SYMPATHY

The NEWS extends sincere sympathy on behalf of the Station group to Miss Pauline Jennings and other members of the family in the death of her mother, Mrs. Thomas A. Jennings, at their home on Washington Street last Sunday, following a long illness.

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HE KNOWS THE ANSWERS (HA, HA)

Frank K. Bowen spent a day at the Geneva Trust Company's Income Tax School last week and is supposed to have all the answers. (There is an old proverb to the effect that a little learning is a dangerous thing.)

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SUMMER HOURS

Beginning **Wednesday**, March 1st, the Station office hours will revert to the summer schedule, with everyone on the job at 8:00 a. m. It should be easier and easier to make the "deadline" now that the days are lengthening and that spring is just around the corner.

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CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

Dr. Tukey has just been named a contributing editor on the Scientific Monthly in connection with the recently introduced feature in that magazine entitled "Science on the March".

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INTERESTING DOCUMENTS

In looking thru the material rescued by Dr. F. H. Lathrop at the sale of Dr. Jordan's effects in Orono, Maine, and forwarded to the Station, Dr. Heinicke came across some interesting correspondence pertaining to the first meetings of the Board of Control back in 1880. One of these is the call for the first meeting of the Board issued from the Executive Chamber under date of July 7, 1880, and signed by Governor A. B. Cornell. It is addressed to General N. M. Curtis, President of the New York State Agricultural Society, and reads as follows:

Dear Sir:

The first meeting of the Board of Control of the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station will be held at the Executive Chamber in the Old Capitol at Albany on Wednesday, July 14th, at 11 o'clock a. m.

Yours respectfully,

(Signed) A. B. Cornell

Under date of July 14th, also over Governor Cornell's signature, is a communication regarding this first meeting, as follows:

Sir:

The first meeting of the Board of Control of the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station, duly convened this day at the Executive Chamber in the old Capitol at the city of Albany, was adjourned to be held at the rooms of the American Institute, No. 22 Cooper Union, in the city of New York, on Tuesday the 20th of July instant, at 12 o'clock of that day. Your presence is very desirable.

Then, under date of July 29, 1880, came a communication from the office of the Comptroller addressed to General Curtis advising him that "the tax authorized to cover this appropriation (\$20,000 to establish the Experiment Station) will not reach the State Treasury until April and May of next year, and in view of the condition of the General Fund, presently and prospective, I will not feel authorized to make any advance on this appropriation in anticipation of the receipt of said tax."

Altho this correspondence does not touch on the subject, the fact is that early in 1881 the comptroller discovered what he regarded as a defect in the law which made the appropriation unconstitutional, altho the Attorney General did not concur in this view. It was deemed advisable in order to avoid controversy to draw up a new bill, and in due course such a measure became law on August 15, 1881. Under the terms of this act, title to the Station farm passed to the State in February 1882, and E. Lewis Sturtevant, A. M., M. D., took possession of the Station property on March 1st as the first Director.