

THE NEWS has been delayed this week due to the Editor's absence from Geneva on Tuesday.

AT THE FIRST staff meeting of the year held last Monday afternoon, two standing committees for the coming year were appointed as follows:

Meetings Committee:	Mr. Parrott, Chairman
	Dr. Anderson
	Dr. Carpenter
	Mr. Dahlberg
	Mr. Hucker

Library Committee:	Dr. Breed, Chairman
	Mr. Collison
	Mr. Wellington
	Mr. Streeter
	Mr. Lockett

Mr. Munn was appointed Secretary of the staff for the coming year.

Dr. Thatcher discussed, under the head of "Organized Projects," the advantages of having the different lines of investigation under way at the Station stated in a systematic manner, such as the project statements, so that the administrative officers of the Station, the research workers themselves, and visitors to the Station may grasp more readily the nature and scope of the Station work. He pointed out, on the other hand, certain dangers from too much emphasis on administrative control over research activities. He pointed out, also, the desirability of taking a broad view of the research work of the Station and of not regarding additions to the staff in any one line of work as an attempt to build up some one division. The segregation of the staff into research divisions is for administrative purposes only, declared Dr. Thatcher, and any thought of competition between divisions is highly undesirable.

A SUMMARIZED REPORT on the News Service for the first eight months of 1923 as compared with the same period for 1922 showed a decided gain over last year's figures. A total of 119 stories were sent out from January 1 to September 1, 1923, and have appeared 3,341 times in newspapers and farm papers having a total circulation of over 51,000,000. For the same period last year, 112 stories were sent out. These stories were used 2,239 times in papers having a circulation of something over 23,000,000.

DR. AND MRS. BREED left for Washington the first of this week to attend the official opening of the World's Dairy Congress. Both Dr. and Mrs. Breed are members of the official reception committee. On Thursday, the foreign delegates and many others attending the Dairy Congress will go to Philadelphia and from there will proceed to Syracuse for the opening of the National Dairy Show on Friday of this week. The principal sessions of the World's Dairy Congress will be held in Syracuse on the first three days of next week. Members of the staff who will read papers during these sessions are as follows:

- Dr. Breed, Hygienic and Economic Control of Market Milk.
- Mr. Dahlberg, The Influence of Salt on the Flavor of Butter.
- Dr. Van Slyke, The Chemistry of Casein
- Mr. Hucker, Flora of American Cheddar Cheese and Its Relation to Quality.
- Mr. Robertson, The Sterilization of Milking Machines.

Dr. Carpenter, Mr. Marquardt, Mr. Hening, and others expect to attend the Congress and the Dairy Show during the week.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, many of the foreign delegates will come to Geneva to inspect the Station.

DR. BREED EXPECTS to get away from the Dairy Congress long enough to go to Boston for a meeting of the American Public Health Association to be held in that city on Monday and Tuesday of next week. He will report to the Association as referee on standard methods for bacteriological examination of milk.

DR. YOUNG, who conducted special research work here at Geneva during the summer with sulfur as a fungicide, has left to take up work as head of the department of botany at the Ohio experiment station at Wooster.

DR. CONN has gone to Philadelphia and Washington on matters pertaining to the National Research Council's Commission on the Standardization of Biological Stains of which he is chairman.

THE CHURCHILLS have a grandson, Fred Van Gieson, Jr. The line will form on the left for cigars.

WORD HAS BEEN RECEIVED that Hugh Hockett, Entomologist at the Long Island Vegetable Research Laboratory at Riverhead, was married on September 12 to Miss Grace V. Watkins of Indian Spring, Georgia.

OUTSTANDING FEATURES of the annual meeting of the Experiment Station Club held last Monday were the excellent supper served by the committee in charge and the election of a group of officers who promise to keep things moving this year. Mr. Clark, President; Mr. Harlan, Vice President; Mr. Beattie, Secretary and Treasurer; and Dr. Thatcher and Dr. Breed as members of the Board of Directors constitute the elected officers for the ensuing year.

Mr. Parrott's marked ability for ferreting out time-saving innovations in handling the business of the evening led Mr. Mellen to make him a flattering offer of a position in the Geneva National Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. King and Dr. and Mrs. Albert Hartzell were elected Associate members of the club. There are now 83 active members in the organization and 14 associate members.

DR. AND MRS. E. V. SHEAR have a baby girl. Dr. Shear is engaged in plant disease work in the Hudson River Valley.

PLANS FOR AN EXHIBIT by this Station at the Eastern Apple Exposition and Fruit Show, to be held in the Grand Central Palace in New York City, November 3 to 10, are progressing satisfactorily. Mr. Tukey and Mr. Slate are in charge of the exhibit.