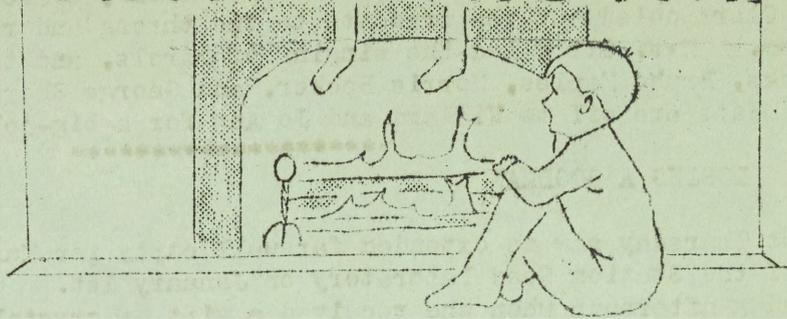




# MERRY CHRISTMAS

## STATION NEWS



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### TODAY'S SEMINAR

"The Red-banded Leaf Roller" will be the topic for discussion at the Station seminar in Daguerre Hall this afternoon at 4:00 o'clock. Doctor Ed Glass will be the leader and all interested persons are urged to attend.

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### MORE COMFORTABLE

George Howe has now undergone the necessary repairs of his fractured hip and arm and is resting more comfortably at the Geneva General Hospital. He still has to wait out a long period of convalescence and will be glad to see any of his friends who are passing by.

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### PRESIDENT BRUNI

Anthony F. Bruni was elected president of Geneva's American Italian Club recently. Congratulations, Tony!

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### "THE PEOPLE'S COLLEGES"

The Cornell University Press has announced publication in February or March of a 500-page, well-illustrated volume to be entitled "The People's Colleges: A History of the New York State Extension Service in Cornell University and the State, 1876-1948", by Professor Ruby Green Smith.

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### HOLIDAY IN WASHINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Harry King left for Washington, D. C., yesterday to spend the Christmas holiday with their daughter Alice and her family.

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### RETURN ENGAGEMENT

Doctor A. Johanson, Assistant Professor of Biology and Entomology in the University of Oslo, spent the week-end in Geneva and visited the Station on Monday. Doctor Johanson and his wife were here last month for a brief visit and have been spending the intervening weeks in Ithaca.

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### OUR PET PEEVE, TOO

Only those readers of the NEWS who publish in scientific journals put out by the Williams and Wilkins Company of Baltimore can appreciate fully the following letter taken from the W&W Company's house organ, The Kalends, anent the insistence of that concern upon payment for reprints prior to delivery. The letter follows: "I remit \$3.36 herewith. It is very interesting to me that you have found your clients such rascals that you have to have payment in advance. Since most of them are scientists, for I believe you do largely scientific printing, this is a curious commentary on the thuggery of these frauds. I have written for several thousand business and commercial periodicals and have had to purchase reprints from several hundred printing firms since I began to write in 1789, shortly after Mother was shot for a witch at Bunker Hill, which she was not at all. The whole thing was a horrible mistake, and Mother was herself out shooting a book agent at the time, yet I have never known any printing firm to require payment in advance of reprints except yours. I should like to make mention in a forthcoming article of your finding scientists such poor credit risks that you have to have cash in advance from them. This is extremely interesting and Mother thinks so, too."

With Williams & Wilkins insisting upon payment for reprints in advance and with State fiscal regulations calling for proof of completion of all printing jobs prior to payment, we are frequently caught between the so-called immovable object and the irresistible force in trying to do reprint business with this outfit.

#### FOOD SCIENCE FOOD SESSION

That spaghetti-winding session of the Food Science Division last Thursday evening proved a big success. The menu is a fair indication: fruit cocktail, various salads, spaghetti and meatballs, hot french bread, coffee, and apple pie. Kris Kringle Clark doled out the presents to the throng and read the ditties which went with them. Mrs. Gibbs led the singing of carols, and the Tin Can Four composed of Bob Brooks, Bruce Maples, Morris Becker, and George Sherman made the evening complete. Hats are off to Willard and Jo Ann for a big-job well-done.

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#### LOSING A GOODMAN

Last Thursday saw an extended farewell party for Muriel Goodman who leaves the employ of the Station Seed laboratory on January 1st. Muriel was tendered a party on Thursday afternoon when she received a gift of crystal glassware and another party again in the evening at the home of Mrs. Gambrell. She is leaving to devote full time to her duties as a housewife.

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#### BACK TO BOOKS

Mary Curtiss is also bidding adieu as she leaves the Vegetable Crops Division Thursday for her Christmas recess and subsequent return to studies at Keuka. Hope we see you again, Mary.

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#### PLANT GROWERS PLAN

The New York State Plant growers Association will meet at the Station on January 28. Further details will be announced when they are formulated. Professor Tapley attended their meeting in Rochester last Thursday to arrange the program.

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#### QUICK-FREEZE

After your reporter braved the blasts of Boreas on Monday to get to Hedrick Hall, he learned that Eleanor Warren will attempt an expedition to Boonville for the holiday. Good luck, Eleanor, we'll see you after the thaw!

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#### GOING UP

Ben Clark reports a paid up membership of 141 in the Station Club. This is about 75% of the goal so he's holding the books open for the unregistered. If you haven't joined, please see Ben or one of the following: Ralph Stearman, Herman Jahn, Tony Bruni, Vic Hopkins, Jeanne Smith, Helen Ferris, Irene McDonald, Cecelia DeWall, Eleanor Warren, or Margaret Campbell.

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#### HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

The snowbirds told us of a few out-of-towners who will be spending Christmas at home. Since only a few birds could get through before our deadline, the list is probably incomplete but so far we have Sylvia Hand, Harrison Jahn, Mary Hervey, Caroline Pederson, Don Pederson and wife, and Chuck Lockett and wife. And a late bulletin from a jet-propelled South Carolina swallow states that Bill Van Eseltine and wife will spend their holidays at Bill's home in Geneva. Bill took the final exams for his Ph. D. degree at Cornell yesterday.

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#### UP OUR ALLEY

The Station bowlers are continuing their drive toward the first division. Captain Vittum tells us that the boys play better with a handicap so they garnered only 5 of a possible 24 points in their first round of play. During the past seven weeks, however, they've copped 18 out of 28 which raises them from the cellar (12th place) to a fight for 8th position. The tourney is only about half over so the boys still have time.

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#### ALL THE TRIMMINGS

Seventy youngsters voted the Christmas party a huge success last night while 140 older youngsters applauded Santa and the program provided for the occasion. Special mention: Fred Hartzell's movies of the picnic; the barbershoppers' quartet (as yet unnamed), Bob Brooks, Otis Curtis, Bruce Maples, and David Rodney; Cap Bigelow's help at the piano; projectionist, Bob Wesselmann; Santa Claus--by himself. Many others contributed much in the way of decorations and food for the children's table and for the tea, but a special orchid to Mrs. Shaulis and Nelson for directing the whole party.

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