



# STATION NEWS



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## VEGETABLE HARVEST

The wheels started turning at the Station's Pilot Plant on Monday with the harvest of the season's first vegetables. With the snags pretty well cleared up by now, the food scientists have shoved the machinery into high gear, canning the peas grown by the vegetable crops gang.

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## WORDS OF PRAISE

From the Director's office comes a note of commendation, viz.: "With most of the year's crops planted, the Director reports a generally fine allround job on the part of the field assistants and temporary help, as well as their supervisors. The large acreage of the Station (about 575 acres) presents a reasonably neat and orderly appearance and indicates good workmanship and cooperation on the part of many workers."

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## ETHICS IN SCIENCE

A plea for consideration of ethical procedures in scientific research with a review of proposed ethical codes for scientists in the light of present-day complexities of research organization, including the trend toward research "teams", is presented in Science for June 16th. Considerable space is given to the matter of publication and authorship, particularly multiple authorship, and to publicity on the findings of research. The writers don't arrive anywhere particularly, but they present some interesting implications.

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## EFFECTIVE JULY 1ST

Several new appointments have been made to take effect on the first of the month. A previous edition of this paper introduced John Watson as a research associate in Pomology. A colleague will be Keith Kimball, a native of Rhode Island. Kimball earned his BS degree at the University of Connecticut in 1949 and was awarded his master's degree at Michigan State this year. He and Mrs. Kimball will reside in Seneca Castle.....A new research associate in FS&T will be Robert Labelle of Watertown, N. Y. He received his bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering at Cornell this year and doffed his bachelor's cloak on June 17th, when he married Mary E. Brougham. Labelle spent 3½ years with the Army Engineers and wound up as a first lieutenant. At Geneva, he will specialize in the development of new food products and processes. We extend a welcome hand to these newcomers.

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## AGRONOMISTS HERE TODAY

As an aftermath of the meeting of the Northeastern Branch of the American Society of Agronomy in Ithaca on Monday and Tuesday, a group of the soil scientists will visit the Geneva Station today, to inspect experimental plots.

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## COLORED RAIN

It's raining in technicolor around the Station these days as painting projects are being attacked from three angles. The exterior woodwork of Hedrick Hall is being coated by the F.D. West Company of Utica and the farm buildings are getting a going-over by the Creative Painting Company of Marlboro. Meanwhile, the occupants of Hedrick Hall continue to dodge the equipment of E.J. Withers, who has interior-decorated himself half-way up to the second floor.

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## OFFICIAL VISITORS

A one-time member of the Station's Seed-Testing Division visited here last week, Doctor R.J. McCollum of the University of Illinois brought with him a Doctor Farouki, official seed analyst from Pakistan. Doctor Farouki has just been awarded his advanced degree at Illinois.....In FS&T, Doctor Worthington of the same division at Oregon State University called upon the local specialists last Wednesday.

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## ON PANSIES AND SUCH

The July-August issue of Popular Gardening carries two articles by Station people. George Slate discusses "Better Flowers with Mulches" and Leo Klein tells "How to Grow Better Glads". Both of the growers recommend sawdust mulches to save labor and water in flower plantings.

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## POMOLOGISTS PUMMEL ITHACA

Last Saturday's downpour stopped just in time for that joint picnic of the Pomology Divisions of Geneva and Ithaca. A good time was had by all but a better time was had by the local delegation which romped to a 13-12 softball victory over the Ithaca team...despite Umpire Heinicke's efforts to keep the count knotted. Ronny Tukey performed the mound duties for the losers while Klein and Cain chucked for Geneva.

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## HERE FOR THE SUMMER

Among the temporary workers at the Station for the summer season are Richard Lovello, Hobart instructor, who is assisting in the Veg Crops Division.....Florence Shelling, Cornell student, also in Veg Crops....and Grace Overholzer who will assist J.C. Cain in Pomology. Miss Overholzer is the daughter of the late Doctor Overholzer, former head of horticulture at Blacksburg, Va. She and her mother are visiting the Heinicke's for the summer.

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## VACATION BOUND

The Hervey family headed north last weekend for the province of Quebec where they are spending the week at Lac LaPêche. Apparently young Romaine believes in names for he's armed to the teeth with all of the gear necessary to land the big ones.....This weekend, the Avenses will start a week's vacation at Long Island.

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## A WORD OF CAUTION

This is the time of year when aphids are rampant in elm trees which gives rise to complaints from automobile owners. The entomologists tell us that the sap-sucking aphids exude a honeydew which falls earthward. Autos parked under elm trees can be messed up in a hurry and it's no picnic trying to wash off the acid-forming material.

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## LEFTOVERS

Things are buzzing around Sturtevant Hall. The source of activity is a few pounds of bees which chose to swarm in a maple tree in front of the building. Although Professor Wellington has set out an empty hive for their accommodation, the winged artificial inseminators were still clustered in the tree at press time..... Experimenting on home ground, Doctor Vittum reports that a commercial brush killer which he used will effectively destroy burdocks, tomato plants and multiflora roses. While Vit feels badly about the tomatoes, his landlord feels worse about the Rosa multiflora.....Leon Jones seems to be undisputed fishing champion at the Station. His take last weekend consisted of four fair-sized lake-trout, followed by a two-pound rainbow on Monday evening.....Bob and Barbara Lamb motored to Saskatoon last weekend to bring back Bob's mother for a short visit in Geneva.....At the Holley home, Bob's mother and grandmother were weekend guests. The grandmother, Mrs. Grace Wolfe who is nearing the ninety year mark, has just returned from an air trip to Scotland and says she very definitely prefers the airplane to the old-fashioned modes of travel.....Mrs. Heinicke is recuperating from a broken arm which she suffered in a fall in Rochester a short time ago.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

A medical report from the "Klein Homestead" reads as follows: "We are pleased to announce that we have to date escaped the 'horrible plague' of mumps which has hit Geneva recently, but having a certain respect for the power of suggestion, we are keeping our fingers crossed"--Mario Klein. (Wonder what could have prompted that???)

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Children brighten up a home. They almost never turn out the lights.

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