

# STATION NEWS

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## GENEVA FRUIT AT BOSTON SHOW

Mr. Hopkins left for Boston, earlier this week, where he is maintaining a display of fruit from the Geneva Station, at the meeting and show of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society. He has set up a gala array of grapes, apples, pears, and plums. The affair opened today and will continue through Friday.

## CERES CIRCLE RESUMES

The Ceres Circle will hold its initial meeting of the season on Monday evening, October 15th, at 8 P.M. in the home of Mrs. Heinicke. Following a short business meeting and election of officers, the attending members will exchange ideas for "made-at-home" Christmas gifts and unusual Christmas decorations. The ladies are asked to bring examples of their handiwork with pertinent information as to materials and cost.

## RECRUITS

Two Station workers left the fold last week to join up with the armed services of the United States. Iver Iverson, greenhouse assistant, has orders to report in about two weeks and is using the interim to wind up his civilian affairs. He joined the Station in February of this year. Dick Murphy, research assistant in FS&T, terminated an association of less than two months in order to enlist at New York City.

## WESTWARD HO

A meeting of the Quartermaster Committee on Dehydration has called Doctor Hand to Davis and Albany, California. He will leave by air tomorrow and will visit a former Genevan, "Pete" Beavens, at the Fruit and Vegetable Products Laboratory at Pasadena in advance of the QM meeting next week. Over the weekend, Doctor Hand will visit his parental home at Claremont.

## BANQUET BULLETIN

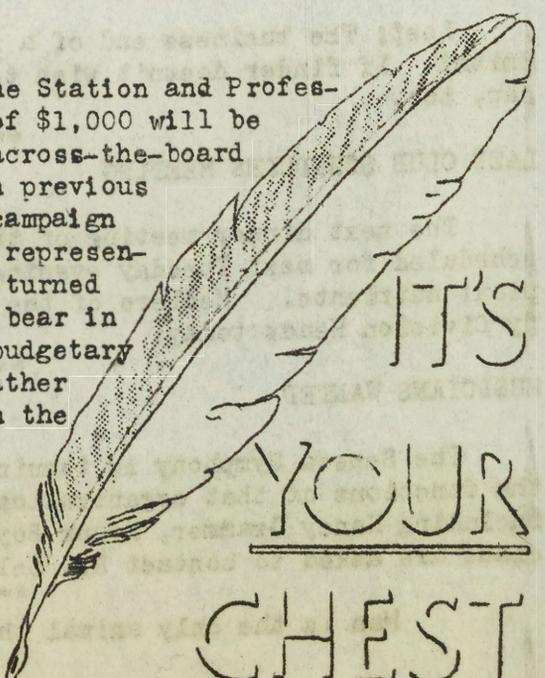
Mr. and Mrs. Austin Wagenknecht ask that all persons planning to attend the Station Club Dinner on October 30th make their intentions known to their building representatives by October 24th. This will be necessary so that the ladies of the Seneca Castle Grange can prepare the proper amount of food for the affair. The dinner is scheduled for 6:30 P.M. And again we want to remind everyone at the Station that paid-up members of the Station Club are entitled to the dinner without additional charge. Non-members may participate by reserving places at \$1.50 each. Building representatives are as follows: Sturtevant--Miss Hogan; Hedrick--Miss Warren; Entomology--Miss Holtby; Chemistry--Miss Lynch; Jordan--Mrs. Middleton; Maintenance, Greenhouse, and Outside Crews--Mr. Hay.

## MASS EDUCATION

The Geneva "campus" is taking on a true classroom air these days. Last Thursday, Professor Snyder's Plant Propagation class at the College of Agriculture spent the day here. On Friday, Professor Powers' class in Genetics at Oswego State Teachers College made a tour of the Station, and on Saturday, Doctor Munger's Plant-breeding class of Ithaca listened to talks by Station pomologists and visited the tomato field trials. This coming Saturday, Doctor Boynton will bring his Pomology class to the Station when Mr. Slate, Mr. Watson, and Mr. Klein will act as guest faculty members.

## THE BALL IS ROLLING

The Community Chest Fund Drive has begun at the Station and Professor Luckett has expressed optimism that the quota of \$1,000 will be reached. He emphasizes that this will entail an across-the-board increase of 10% over last year's donations. As in previous drives, the Station will endeavor to complete its campaign ahead of the downtown solicitation so departmental representatives are asking that contributions and cards be turned in as soon as possible after next payday. Please bear in mind that this year's increase does not reflect a budgetary increase by the participating organizations, but rather the inclusion of the United Defense Fund Drive with the regular Chest campaign.



Give -- -- the united way

#### FORMER STATION WORKER BEREAVED

Friends at Geneva were saddened last Wednesday to learn of the death of Mrs. C.D. Kelly, wife of Doctor Clifford Kelly, research chemist at the Station from 1929 to 1937. Mrs. Kelly is survived by her husband at McGill University and a daughter, Joan.

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#### FS&T SEMINAR NEXT WEEK

Food scientists have scheduled another seminar for the evening of October 18th in Jordan Hall, at 7:30 P.M. Doctor Kertesz will deliver the topic, entitled "Tomato Pectin".

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#### OTHER VISITORS

At Monday's staff meeting, Professor Munn introduced Messers Jacobus Snee and Geert Grooters to the group. The two Hollanders are spending a few days at the Station to observe techniques and research projects concerning vegetable seeds....On Monday, Benjamin Borenstein of Rutgers spent the day with food scientists. He is a graduate student in food technology at Rutgers....From the Union of South Africa came Doctor W. Meredith of the African Explosives and Chemicals Company. He was here on Wednesday to discuss fertilizer projects on fruits and vegetables. Doctor Meredith is associated with Andre Myburgh's father on the Dark Continent.

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#### VACATION NOTES

The Tapleys are enjoying a vacation in the New England States. Last week they took in Homecoming Day at the University of New Hampshire and are planning to stop in at the Massachusetts Hort Society Meeting this week....Both the Herveys and the Davises will be heading northward tomorrow. They'll be on a short vacation in the Ottawa area and hope to see the Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinboro in their travels, from a distance, that is....The Slates will spend next week in Massachusetts.

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#### MEET "LITTLE JOHN"

John Watson, Jr., came into the world at Geneva General Hospital during the wee hours of Monday morning. He weighed 8 lbs. 6 oz. and is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. John Watson of Pomology. Our congratulations.

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#### JOTTINGS

Mrs. Mary Traphagen has joined the Biological Stain Commission and Biotech Publications in Geneva. This is the organization headed by Station Professor Emeritus Harold Conn....Eunice Haight brought her triplets to the Station for a few minutes last Thursday. It took a clothesbasket and a grandmother to carry the trio....On temporary service in the Seed Lab is Mrs. Richard Pedersen of Pulteney Street. She started work on Monday....Professors Charles Palm and G.C. Kent of the College of Agriculture are scheduled to meet with local specialists this week to map plans for the coming Manufacturers Insecticide and Fungicide Conference at Ithaca....The Number One boiler in the new Central Heating Plant was christened yesterday. The "test hop" indicated that the draft was functioning properly....This may be a sign that cold weather is on its way, but it can't come fast enough for "Buck" Mays who has been grading every tomato processed by the Pilot Plant since it started this season's operations. The PMA representative has been praying for a good frost for a couple of weeks now....A misprint in last week's NEWS gave that raffled goose to Wilson Hey. The real winner was Harry Weiser.

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#### KLASSIFIED

Lost: The business end of a fountain pen. Will finder please return to Roy Smith? If finder doesn't wish to part with it, Roy says he might as well have the cap, too.

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#### LAZY CLUB SCHEDULES MEETING

The next dinner meeting of the Lazy Club at the College of Agriculture has been scheduled for next Tuesday evening. The discussion will focus upon minerals as plant nutrients. Members of the Geneva staff are invited to attend but must notify Division Heads today.

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#### MUSICIANS WANTED

The Seneca Symphony is issuing an appeal for instrumentalists to participate in the functions of that organization. Several Station people are already members, including Nancy Grammer, Frank Boyle, and Bob and Mary LaBelle. Interested musicians are asked to contact Mr. Leland Flora at Hobart.

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Man is the only animal that blushes--or needs to.---Mark Twain