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#### SEMINAR TODAY

"Low Temperature Germination of Sweet Corn" is the title of the topic to be given at this afternoon's seminar in Jordan Hall. Dr. Ben Clark will be the speaker and will begin at 3:45, coffee being served at 3:30. According to the schedule announced in last week's NEWS, rain must be imminent for today but rain or shine, the seminar will be held today.

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#### A VISIT FROM PRESIDENT MALOTT

Cornell President Deane Malott will speak to Station staff members at a special meeting which has been called for tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, in the Staff Room. During his visit here, the new President will make a tour of inspection of the Station.

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#### BRIDGE PARTY FRIDAY

The Station Club's third duplicate bridge party will be held in Jordan Hall on Friday evening. The cards will fly promptly at 8 P.M. and all who anticipate participating should notify Dr. Gilmer at 2920 before 5 o'clock, today. Ducats are 25¢ apiece.

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#### A NEW FACE

The clerk-typist position in Plant Path and Veg Crops has been filled. Succeeding Alberta Mackey is Miss Arlene Smith of 24 Oak Street, Geneva. Miss Smith is a graduate of Geneva High School and the Ontario Business Institute and recently worked at the Sampson Exchange. She began her Station duties yesterday and we are happy to welcome her to the Station.

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#### TO ADDRESS GLADIOLUS GROWERS

Several Station scientists will discuss the application of their research to gladiolus growing at the Annual Convention of the Empire State Gladiolus Society in Lima on Saturday. Dr. Shaulis will speak on "Organic Matter--Facts and Fads" and Drs. Gambrell, Gilmer and Curtis will represent research in a panel discussion. On the panel of growers will be Leo Klein, prominent hybridizer, who is also the program chairman for the convention.

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#### MORE LAURELS

In the gardening section of Consumer Reports for April, the September raspberry, introduced recently by the Station, was rated as "the best fallbearer for home gardens, except in the most northern sections, and has a good early crop, too."

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#### SEED ANALYSTS LEAVE

Two of the girls in the Seed Laboratory have forsaken the Station for less urban localities. Mrs. Glenda Pederson is moving to the Lyons area where her husband will engage in farming operations and Mrs. Dorothy Cass is making her annual move to the family cottage on the east shore of Seneca Lake, and is getting her fishing tackle in shape for a busy season.

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#### MRS. MACK'S FATHER PASSES

At Pittsburgh, last Wednesday, occurred the death of Louis A. Lee, father of Mrs. Guilford Mack. Mr. Lee was a frequent visitor to Geneva before the prolonged illness which culminated in his death. Besides his daughter, he is survived by his wife. The Mack family attended the funeral services on Saturday. Our sympathy goes to the bereaved family.

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## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

A clever, original card came to announce the birth of Christine Pederson to Dr. and Mrs. Don Pederson of Rochester, on March 29th. The newcomer tipped the beam at 7 lb. 10 oz. Our congratulations.

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## SCIENTIST TURNS POLITICIAN

One of the candidates for the office of mayor in last month's election in the village of Holley (N.Y.) was James D. Brew, one-time bacteriologist at the Geneva Station. He worked at the Station from 1912 to 1916 and then went to the University of Illinois, Cornell, and finally, the University of Tennessee. Retiring in 1948, Brew tossed his hat in the political ring and was declared the winner only after several recounts of the ballots. The final tabulation: Brew-285, Acting Mayor O'Mara-284.

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## OUT-OF-TOWN BOOKINGS

Dr. Kertesz spoke at a seminar meeting in the College of Home Economics, yesterday. On Thursday, he'll go to New York to participate in a joint meeting of the New York Preservers Association and the Eastern Branch of the National Preservers Association....Dr. Mack is in Milwaukee, this week, attending the American Chemical Society meetings.

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## OUT-OF-TOWN READERS

We are in receipt of a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Lovelace of Cortland, who include a few items of interest to their former associates. Mr. Lovelace served as an assistant in research with Dr. Carpenter from 1930 to 1943. Daughter Audrey is enrolled as a freshman at Nazareth College and son Donald recently earned his sergeant's stripes as an instructor in radar at Lowry Air Force Base. Mr. Lovelace is now at the Cortland Fish Cultural Station where he describes his work as "vastly different from my duties while I was at the Geneva Station, yet it may interest the sportsmen members of your staff. We work only with trout--rainbow, brown, and brook (apparently these are the only species which can be cultured--Ed) at this Station. Among other things, we use radioactive isotopes to study mineral metabolism, physiology and nutrition problems of trout. Our findings are supposed to contribute to a better supply of these 'finny denizens of the deep' for the fishermen of inland waters in this section of the country." Well, as long as they're cultured, we may take a crack at trout-fishing ourselves.

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## CHIT-CHAT

Dr. Taschenberg of the Fredonia laboratory arrived last week to spend a couple of weeks with us..At present, he's handicapped in his mission by an attack of laryngitis.....H. B. Little of the Bureau of Plant Industry at Albany is spending two days here, conferring with specialists on the control work on insecticides and fungicides.....Callers at the Wesselmanns on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Travis of Ithaca. Mrs. Travis is the former Dorothea Metcalf, one-time member of the Bacteriology Department. Mr. Travis is with the USDA's Fur Animal Experiment Station, now located at Cornell.

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## KLASSIFIED KATEGORY

The Barton's are doing their spring housecleaning and are trying to find the owners of miscellaneous oddments which have been dragged in by their dog, "Chief". Latest acquisition was a paper bag containing 13 sponges, probably garnered somewhere in the Castle Street-Highland Avenue area. The Bartons would like to return 12 of the sponges to the owner. Also listed in the collection is a large aluminum kettle. The list is far too long to publish in the NEWS but we suggest that if you're missing anything at all, try the Barton's they probably have it--or one just like it.

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## THE NEWS OF 25 YEARS AGO

Governor Smith signed a bill which authorized projects at the Experiment Station concerning nursery stock production. Harold Tukey of the Hudson Valley Laboratory was selected to head up the work and efforts were begun to lease an 18-acre tract just west of the Station....The entire Horticultural Department was galvanized into action when an unwary representative of Mus musculus entered a laboratory. Miss Hester Brennan finally annihilated the beast....The Jordans were in Bermuda, the Huckers were touring Europe, and Dr. Hedrick spoke to the largest staff meeting of the year about his European travels.

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In Kingston, she is Mabel  
She's Margie in White Church  
In Syracuse she is Phoebe  
The sweetest thing on earth;  
In New York she is Doris  
The brightest of the bunch  
But down in his expense book  
She's "taxi fare and lunch."

--Extension Echoes

Ability to sin differs. A short-armed fisherman isn't as big a liar as a long-armed one.