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THE STATION NEWS

EXTENDS
TO ALL OF ITS READERS

BEST WISHES

FOR THE NEW YEAR

THE JANUARY Staff meeting will be held in Jordan Hall at 4:00 P.M., Monday, January 3. Dr. Van Slyke will talk on "The Early History of the Station", and we are sure that he will have many things to say that will be of interest to the Staff.

THE 1926 Christmas party was unanimously voted the "best yet", and the Social Committee is to be congratulated on the success of their efforts. Following the supper (served admirably, thank you, Colonel), the 115 guests were entertained by a brief program featuring John Parrott, Myrta Munn, Herbert Conn, Helen Munn, Elizabeth Gloyer, and Louise Rankin. Several impromptu numbers were furnished by the younger members of the crowd much to the delight of the audience. The arrival of Santa Claus, who was all that the most exacting could ask, brought the evening to a satisfactory conclusion.

MRS. MARION BEATTIE attended the Christmas party and renewed acquaintance with many Station friends. Mr. Beattie, who was formerly a member of the Chemistry Department and is now with the Niagara Sprayer Co., arrived in Geneva in time for Christmas.

WE REGRET to note that two of the Station group are on the "sick list", Miss Woodbridge and Mrs. Sayre.

THE CLERICAL Staff of Jordan Hall entertained Miss Buchholz at luncheon last Monday. Miss Buchholz has been substituting in the Mailing Department for the past year, pending Mrs. Hoag's recovery to full health. Mrs. Hoag plans to return to her work at the Station about January first. The NEWS extends best wishes to Miss Buchholz and is pleased to welcome Mrs. Hoag back to the "ranks".

MR. HOWE accompanied his aunt, Mrs. Earyes, as far as Philadelphia on her way to Florida for the winter. Mrs. Earyes has been visiting in Geneva since Thanksgiving.

DR. ANDERSON paid a hurried visit to the Station this week. He says that he is enjoying his work at New Haven, but that he has not yet found time to unpack his chess board or to try a hand at Bridge.

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MR. YALE, formerly City bacteriologist for Geneva, called on friends at the Station on his way home for Christmas. He finds his work in Pittsburgh very interesting but does not like the Smokey City as a place of residence.

THE LIBRARY is sending out an S. O. S. for a book on "Glue and Gelatine" by Alexander which was "borrowed" from Dr. Carpenter's desk without a trace as to the borrower. The Library does not want to have to buy another copy of this work and earnestly requests that the book be returned to Dr. Carpenter.

NEW BOOKS added to the Library since the last list published in the NEWS include the following:

Smith.....	Studies in vaccinal immunity
Peattie	Cargoes and harvests
Tague	Casein
Hawley	Chemistry of wood
Branson	Farm life abroad
Heald	Manual of plant diseases
Spoehr	Photosynthesis
Schorger	Chemistry of cellulose and wood

"IF WINTER comes, Spring is not far behind," 'tis said, and evidently the vegetable department of the Station has faith in the coming of Spring for they are now engaged in the pleasant task of perusing seed catalogs and placing orders for next season's planting stocks. Just how extensive is the search for vegetable varieties carried on by Mr. Hall and Mr. Hawthorn is revealed in a brief summary of their recent orders which we procured after surmounting the piles of pumpkins and squashes which surround their desks. This year the orders aim to bring in to the Station every variety of okra and leeks listed in seedsmen catalogs. Also, the tests of bean varieties are to be repeated, so every variety of bean will be included in this year's orders. Then the tests of muskmelons and cucumbers are to be repeated and certain stocks of these have been so depleted that many varieties are being reordered.

To be exact, orders so far sent out, and most of the orders for the year have been filed by this time, include 21 varieties of okra, 22 varieties of leeks, 481 varieties of beans, 256 varieties of muskmelons, and 160 varieties of cucumbers. It is of interest to note, too, that these orders go to 28 different states, including the District of Columbia. Also, during the course of the vegetable work seeds have been produced from all but six of the states (Arizona, Mississippi, New Hampshire, Oklahoma, West Virginia, and Wyoming), depending upon the vegetable under study. Over 100 separate orders have been filed, each order containing many items.