

# The Station News

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Geneva, N. Y.

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BACK : Dr. Hedrick returned home last Sunday from the Clifton Springs Sanitarium.  
HOME : and is making steady gains in strength and general well being. While he will  
-----: probably be confined to the house for some time, he is receiving callers and  
transacting business in much the usual way. The NEWS joins in the universal satis-  
faction over the happy outcome of the Director's recent unpleasantness and the hope  
for a complete and early recovery.

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STATE : The Albany conference of last week of representatives of State institutions  
FAIR : that participate in the State Fair developed one very definite thing of in-  
-----: terest to readers of the NEWS who have duties at that annual event, namely,  
our responsibility this year with respect to attendance on the Station exhibits. The  
Fair opens officially on Sunday, August 25, but the building in which the Station  
exhibits are housed will not be open to the public until Monday morning, August 26.  
Also, this building will be closed late Saturday, August 31, altho the Fair will con-  
tinue thru Labor Day. Thus, so far as our exhibits are concerned, the Fair will be  
a six-day event as in the past. Further reduction in the legislative appropriation  
for State institution exhibits made it impossible to arrive at a final allotment of  
funds for the different institutions, pending a meeting of the State Fair Advisory  
Council in Syracuse this week. Definite information about this important detail  
should be available soon.

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TO CONFER : The Pomology Division will move on Ithaca en masse next Friday for the  
IN ITHACA : annual spring conference with the Department of Pomology at the College  
-----: on research projects receiving attention at the two institutions.

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DR. STOUT : Science carries an account of the election of Dr. A. B. Stout, Director  
HONORED : of Laboratories of the New York Botanical Gardens, as an Honorary Fellow  
-----: of the British Royal Horticultural Society and as an Honorary Life Mem-  
ber of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. Dr. Stout is well known at the Sta-  
tion for his cooperative projects with the Pomology Division on the development of  
seedless fruits, particularly grapes.

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ENCOUNTERED : Among other notables encountered in Albany last week, the Editor ran  
IN ALBANY : across Dr. and Mrs. Rankin who are now living in White Plains where  
-----: Dr. Rankin is directing the State's fight on the Dutch elm disease.  
Dr. Rankin was in Albany to address a training school for park officials, sponsored  
by the Mayors' Conference, on the subject of "Diseases of Park Trees and Shrubs."  
The Rankins expressed a keen interest in all Station affairs and admitted that they  
read the NEWS regularly. However, they were glad to get all of the latest gossip  
that is too good to print and stated that they expect to pay a brief visit to Geneva  
next week.

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MILK : A committee of the American Public Health Association on Standard Meth-  
ANALYSIS : ods of Milk Analysis is to meet in Dr. Breed's office next Monday morning.  
-----: Among those expected to attend are Dr. M. H. McCrady of Montreal, Chief  
of Laboratories, Provincial Bureau of Health; Dr. A. H. Robertson of the State De-  
partment of Agriculture and Markets, Albany; Dr. F. C. Blanck, Chief of the Food  
Research Division, Bureau of Chemistry and Soils, Washington, D. C., and Dr. W. A.  
Hagan, Dean of the Veterinary College at Ithaca.

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WILL TALK ON : Dr. McCrady will also speak at a joint open seminar of the Bac-  
COLON ORGANISMS : teriology and Dairy Divisions, Monday, at 3:30 p.m. in the Dairy  
-----: Building. The title of his talk will be, "Significance of the  
Presence of Colon Organisms in Public Milk Supplies".

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MEETING : Dr. Blanck is also to be guest speaker for a meeting of the Geneva  
TUESDAY : Chemists' Club in Daguerre Hall next Tuesday evening at 7:30, when he will  
-----: discuss the role of the chemist in the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture and some  
of the Department's contribution to chemistry. The meeting is open to all who may  
be interested in hearing Dr. Blanck. Preceding the meeting members of the Club and  
others who care to join them will meet Dr. Blanck at a dinner at "Seven Gables" at  
6:30. Reservations for the dinner should be made thru Dr. Mack not later than Mon-  
day.

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GOES TO STRONG : Mr. Van Alstyne returned to Strong Memorial Hospital last night  
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL : for further treatment. He expects to return to Geneva the lat-  
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RETURNS TO : Dr. Hamilton left Saturday for Poughkeepsie where he will make his  
THE VALLEY : headquarters until fall, directing an extensive layout of apple scab  
-----: control experiments in the Hudson Valley. Just as Jim pulled out of  
Geneva his new 56-page bulletin (Technical Bulletin No. 227) on apple scab in the  
Valley was delivered by the printer.

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WORKING : Miss Marion Snyder has returned to her old job in the Bacteriology Divi-  
VACATIONS : sion for the duration of the spring vacation at Cornell. Also, Miss  
-----: Eleanor Heist of Geneva is utilizing her vacation period in assisting  
Mr. Eglinton. Mr. Hoeffler, who was assisting Mr. Hofer prior to entering upon  
graduate work at Cornell, paid a brief call at the Station the first of the week but  
has returned to Ithaca.

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THE MOVIES : Upon special request from the Naples Grange, Dr. Tressler will show the  
AGAIN : Station Movie at the meeting of that group next Saturday. The program  
-----: is to be prefaced by a maple syrup supper, so here's hoping the Doctor  
survives, at least long enough to operate the projector.

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A WORD TO : Parking cars in front of the Station buildings on North Street is con-  
THE WISE : venient but risky, as indicated by one badly damaged car and several  
-----: slightly damaged ones during March.

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OBSERVE : Representatives of milk companies who have been spending some time in the  
METHODS : Dairy Division observing certain phases of the milk studies under way  
-----: there include Messrs. Minthorn of Binghamton, Hays of Oswego, and Jones  
and Conine of Pittsford.

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PERILS OF FARM : To the usual and more or less expected risks of the Farm Bureau  
BUREAU AGENTS : agent's job must now be added that of annoying encounters with the  
-----: country's public enemies, at least such would seem to be the case  
if stories from the South are any indication of what Farm Bureau agents in general  
might expect. Briefly, one Raymond Hamilton, described as a Southwest desperado,  
following a bank robbery in southern Mississippi last Thursday siezed W. E. Smith,  
Farm Bureau agent for Jefferson Davis County, and forced him to drive a stolen car  
as far as Memphis, Tenn., while the bandit and a wounded companion secreted in the  
rear of the car kept Mr. Smith covered and on the job. When they got ready to aban-  
don the car outside of Memphis, they locked Mr. Smith in the rumble seat compartment  
from which he extricated himself with considerable difficulty, but what a story he  
will have to tell at the next gathering of the "Sod Busters" or whatever may corres-  
pond to that august body in Mississippi.

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