

# The Station News

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PROFESSOR : The Board of Trustees of Cornell University at their regular spring  
EMERITUS : meeting in Ithaca last week took cognizance of Mr. Stewart's retirement  
-----: from the Station Staff on July 1 and conferred upon him the title of  
Professor Emeritus. At the time of his retirement Mr. Stewart will have completed  
41 years of service at the Station, for 37 years of which he will have served as Chief  
of the Division of Botany. While the NEWS will have occasion later on to comment  
more fully on Mr. Stewart's retirement, we take this opportunity to express our gra-  
tification at this recognition on the part of the Board of Trustees of Mr. Stewart's  
long and loyal service to New York agriculture and the institutions that serve it.

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MR. STEWART'S : The appointment of Dr. Otto A. Reinking to succeed Mr. Stewart was  
SUCCESSOR : also acted upon by the Board last week, and Dr. Reinking's appoint-  
-----: ment made effective July 1. Dr. Reinking is a native of Wisconsin  
and a graduate of the University of Wisconsin where he completed both his graduate  
and undergraduate work, receiving the degree of Ph.D. in 1922. From 1924 to 1927 he  
served as plant explorer for the United Fruit Company and traveled extensively in  
Southern China, French Indo China, Siam, the Malay States, Burma, India, the Dutch  
East Indies, and Australia. From 1928 to 1932 he was Director of tropical research  
for the United Fruit Company with headquarters in Boston and Tela, Honduras. For the  
next three years he conducted private researches in Germany, resuming his connections  
with the United Fruit Company late in 1935. Dr. Reinking is the author of numerous  
scientific articles and monographs and is a member of several scientific societies,  
of the Cosmos Club in Washington, of the Explorer's Club in New York, and of the  
University Club of Boston.

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A NEW : The Board of Trustees has created a new Division at the Station to be  
DIVISION : known as the Division of Seed Investigations with Mr. Munn as Chief. This  
-----: change was made in recognition of the fact that Mr. Munn was directing  
the work of six technical workers engaged in activities wholly unrelated to the pre-  
sent Division of Botany of which the Seed Laboratory has always been a part. Mr.  
Munn came to the Station in 1912 to take charge of the seed testing work. In 1920,  
a seed law was passed setting up a seed testing laboratory here. Subsequent revi-  
sions of the seed law have greatly expanded the duties of the Seed Laboratory, and in  
1930 the Legislature also provided for certain researches with seeds to be made by  
the Laboratory. In its communication to the Board of Trustees recommending this  
change, the State College Council stated that, "Prof. Munn is the acknowledged author-  
ity on seeds in this State, and an authority as well in the nation, and has several  
times been sent by the United States to represent this country in European conference  
on seeds." We take pleasure in extending our congratulations to Mr. Munn on this  
well-earned recognition of his outstanding accomplishments in administering the seed  
law and directing the work of the Seed Laboratory.

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A CHANGE : At the same time that the new Division of Seed Investigations was being  
OF NAME : set up, the Board of Trustees authorized the changing of the name of the  
-----: present Division of Botany to that of Division of Plant Pathology as  
being a more exact title for that division of the Station's work. Both of these  
changes become effective immediately since they require no financial readjustments.

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TRAVELLING : To Mr. Marquardt goes the honor of receiving the first Travelling  
FELLOWSHIP : Fellowship to be awarded jointly by the College of Agriculture and the  
-----: Experiment Station for study abroad. Mr. Marquardt will leave Geneva  
about July 15 for a three months' stay in Germany where he will study certain phases  
of cheese making in connection with the new cheese investigations now being under-  
taken at the Station under the Bankhead-Jones bill.

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TO STUDY IN : Dr. Nebel has been granted a year's leave of absence beginning in  
PHILADELPHIA : September for study at the University of Pennsylvania under a fellow-  
-----: ship of the General Education Board.

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MILK INSPECTORS : A group of New York City milk inspectors will spend two or three  
COMING MONDAY : days at the Station next week in a study conference arranged by  
-----: the Bacteriology and Dairy Divisions cooperating with Mr. Sol  
Pincus, Deputy Commissioner of Health of New York City, and Mr. C. S. Leete of the  
State Department of Health at Albany. Following the conference here, the group will  
visit milk plants in the Cortland area.

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A RECENT VISITOR : Dr. J. D. Brew, one-time member of the Bacteriology Division here and  
-----: formerly Extension Specialist with the College of Agriculture, visited  
the Station last Friday. Dr. Brew is now with the American Jersey Cattle  
Club and has just returned from a winter in California where he has been developing  
Jersey "cream-line milk."

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SEED STUDIES : Dr. E. H. Toole of the Division of Seed Investigations, U. S. Department  
-----: of Agriculture, Washington, spent Saturday in the Seed Laboratory confer-  
ring on seed control work and on physiological studies with seeds under  
way here.

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REPORTS AVAILABLE : Mr. Roy P. McPherson, Secretary of the State Horticultural Society, has  
-----: supplied the Station with several extra copies of the Proceedings of the  
1936 meetings, mentioned in a recent number of the NEWS. Anyone de-  
siring a personal copy of the Proceedings may obtain one from the Editor.

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PECTIC ENZYMES : Dr. Kertesz has just received reprints of the chapter on Pectic Enzymes  
-----: prepared by himself upon special request from the editors for the 1936  
volume of "Ergebnisse der Enzymforschung", which is published in Leipzig.  
Each year recognized leaders in various fields of enzyme research are invited to sum-  
marize the status of research in their respective fields and the several contribu-  
tions are then published together in a single volume, thus providing an exceedingly  
helpful publication for the enzyme chemist.

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INCUBATOR TREES : Dr. Tukey spoke before the plant breeding seminar at Cornell last Monday  
-----: evening on his work on the artificial culture of immature embryos.

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STATE FAIR IMPROVEMENTS : A newspaper account credits the State Fair Bureau with a statement to  
-----: the effect that visitors to the 1936 State Fair will find many im-  
provements in the buildings and grounds as a result of a \$255,000  
PWA project that is nearing completion. Mention is also made of the proposed  
\$600,000 building project which would directly affect the Station's part in the Stat  
Fair, but apparently this project is still in the discussion stage.

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WE ASSUME NO RESPONSIBILITY : We are glad to run the following advertisement for a valued reader  
-----: of the NEWS, even tho it is not paid for, but can assume no respon-  
sibility for the use to which the locker might be put or the condi-  
tion in which it would be returned. Here's the ad:

Wanted: The loan of a locker for a few months this summer--  
returnable upon demand. Will call for and deliver.  
'Phone 31.