

# Station News

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## FRIDAY AT FOUR

The Big Event is almost here! We have it on the authority of the Chairman of the Social Committee of the Station Club that Santa has given his word to be on hand Friday evening during the Christmas Party when he will do his stuff for the edification of the Station boys and girls--both old and young. Because Santa has many places to go and tremendous distances to cover, the party Friday is going to start a bit earlier in the day than usual. In fact the festivities are to get under way promptly at four o'clock and are to be concluded by six. This will give Dad a chance to get down to Schine's for the awarding of the new 1937 Ford at the nine o'clock show and will give Mother a chance to get the youngsters to bed on time. Of course the place is Jordan Hall; but most important of all to remember is the time--4:00 to 6:00--with light refreshments for everyone.



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## COUNTY AGENT CONFERENCE

A sizable delegation from the Entomology, Plant Pathology, and Vegetable Crops Divisions is in Ithaca this week participating in the subject matter conference for County Agents on fruit, vegetables, and potatoes. The conference began yesterday and will continue thru Friday. Those discussing assigned subjects include Mr. Hartzell on dormant oil sprays, Dr. Magie on seed and seedbed treatments, and Mr. Sayre on canning crops investigations. Others scheduled to be on hand to take part in discussions include Dr. Glasgow, Dr. Chapman, Mr. Harman, Dr. Hammer, Dr. Daniel, Mr. Hess, Dr. Hamilton, Mr. Cooley, Mr. Carruth, Dr. Hervey, and Dr. Reinking.

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## THE FOOD EXPOSITION

Mr. Tapley was in Syracuse yesterday for another conference on plans for New York State's first Farm Foods Exposition which is to be held in that city January 6 to 8 in connection with the annual meetings of the State Vegetable Growers Association and the Empire State Potato Club. The Food Exposition is to include practically all New York State farm products and Mr. Tapley is responsible for the vegetable display. Special efforts are being made to interest consumers in New York State products and all signs point to a very attractive show. The Station will cooperate with the College in a publications exhibit, according to present plans.

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## THE STEWARTS HIT THE TRAIL

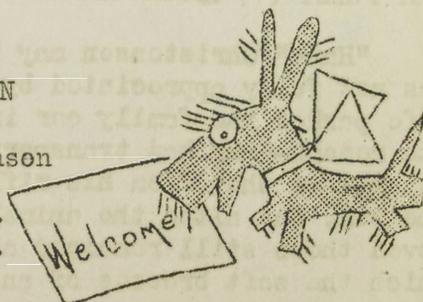
Mr. and Mrs. Stewart siezed upon the opportunity afforded by the general thaw and break-up of the ice on the roads last week to start out in their "Covered Wagon" for the sunny South and a winter in Florida. They left with the best wishes of everyone for a most pleasant vacation, and we are looking forward now to reports from Mr. Stewart on their experiences with the trailer.



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## FREDERICK MARTIN

On Wednesday of last week, Frederick Martin Jorgenson arrived at the Geneva General Hospital, as much to the delight of Mother and Dad as to that of Grandfather and Grandmother Stewart. Both Frederick and his Mother are doing well, and the NEWS extends heartiest congratulations!



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Many at the Station were shocked to learn of the death of Mr. H. S. Duncan last Thursday at his home in Wallington. While he was known to have been in poor health, his condition was not regarded as serious so far as anyone at the Station was aware. Mr. Duncan was a familiar figure here at the time of any gathering of fruit or vegetable growers, as well as at meetings of these groups over the State. As Director of the Farm Products Inspection and Certification Service and on account of his wide experience, sturdy honesty, and commonsense views, his opinion was frequently sought by those who were working in close contact with growers. His counsel will be sorely missed, as well as those fine personal traits that endeared him to everyone with whom he came in contact.

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### MOSCOW CRACKS DOWN

According to an unofficial report printed in the New York Times Monday, the Soviet Government has canceled the seventh International Genetics Congress which was scheduled to be held in Moscow next August. The fact that many of the most distinguished of the Soviet's geneticists are under fire from the Government for holding German Fascist views on genetics is believed to be the motive for the cancellation. The same account also tells of the imprisonment of Prof. N. I. Vaviloff, Director of the All-Union Institute of Plant Industry at Leningrad, and a visitor to this Station in recent years.

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### A PAINFUL EXPERIENCE

Mrs. Gambrell had the misfortune to sustain a fracture of the right thumb in a fall shortly before they set out on the return trip from Ohio to Geneva last week and is still experiencing a good deal of discomfort from the injury.

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### RETURNING TO TORONTO

Miss Barnes will close up her work in the museum on Friday and leave for her home in Toronto where she will remain until March, when she will return to resume her duties here.

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### VISITING ENTOMOLOGY

Recent callers in the Entomology Division included Mr. Lindley L. Mills of the Dow Chemical Company who conferred with Mr. Hartzell on the continuation of an Investigatorship sponsored by his company, and Professors Crosby and J. A. Mills of the College of Agriculture who discussed recent developments in insect pest control with various members of the Division.

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### LECTURING

Dr. Daniel recently appeared before the men's class at Number Nine Church and before Geneva Masons to discuss the biological control of insect pests.

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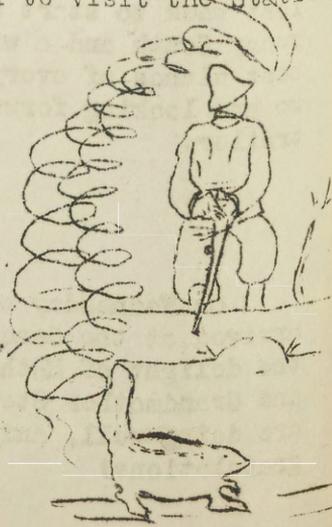
### VISITING THE STATION

Mr. H. E. Babcock, general manager of the GLF in this State, will be in Geneva today to address the Rotary Club on its special farm program and to visit the Station this afternoon.

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### NOT FULLY (?) APPRECIATED

"Hank" Christensen may be a great hunter, but his prowess was not fully appreciated by residents of Jordan Hall when his wife parked the family car in the rear of the building yesterday. The reason-Hank had transported a wood's kitty that had met its end with a shot from his rifle in the luggage compartment of the car, and altho the animal itself had long since been removed there still remained abundant evidence of the incident which the soft breezes of an almost springlike day wafted thru the building and into nearby cars. Anyway it took your minds off of Christmas.



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