



# STATION NEWS



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## CONFERENCE WELL ATTENDED

At the conference to formulate sanitary regulations for paper milk containers held at the Station, Monday, representatives were present from eight states. These included Department of Health Officials from Chicago, Philadelphia, New York City and Albany, New York, as well as Washington, D. C. Milk companies were well represented and manufacturers of paper and paper containers from fifteen companies joined in the conference together with scientific workers from other universities. Dr. Breed presided over the sessions and called for brief reports on the various phases of research on the sanitation of paper milk containers from the following: Dr. J. R. Sanborn, Dr. W. D. Tiedeman, State Department of Health, Albany, Dr. John W. Rice, Bucknell University, and Dr. F. W. Tanner of the University of Illinois.

As a result of the conference an outline of the principles of sanitation that should be followed in the manufacture and use of paper milk containers was formulated. There were fifty in attendance at the conference and at the luncheon which followed at the Geneva Country Club.

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## VISITED THE STATION

President Day, Treasurer Rogalsky and two members of the Board of Trustees of Cornell University visited the Station on Saturday.

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## GOING TO PRESS

This time it is not a newspaper or a book but the Big Cheese for the 97th New York State Fair. There has been no Big Cheese at the State Fair for several years but this year it will be there in all its glory. It is going to press today. The first of the curd will be run through the presses at 12 o'clock noon and by four o'clock it will be completed. It will weigh six tons which sounds sizeable, to say the least. Mr. W. C. Kelsey, veteran cheese manufacturer of Copenhagen, New York, is the man behind the cheese and will supervise the entire process. Eight others will take care of the actual labor involved in putting it together. Mr. Kelsey has looked carefully into the history of cheese making and has found this reference by Homer, 907 years before Christ:

"Around the grot we gaze, and all we view,  
 In order range our admiration drew  
 The bending shelves with loaves of cheeses pressed  
 The folded flocks, each separate from the rest."

There will be informal ceremonies today at the place of manufacture, West Martinsburg, New York, which will be attended by Dr. Kelly and Mr. Marquardt.

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## VISITED HERB GARDENS

While in Woods Hole last week visiting Dr. Nebel who is studying there this summer, Mrs. Nebel was invited to visit the American Herb Society gardens in Boston. In the two days spent in Boston she assisted in classifying their mint collection and reports a very interesting time.

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## TO BAINBRIDGE

Last Thursday morning the entire Dairy Division started out for Bainbridge, N. to visit the Borden Laboratories and the casein plant. Although it was one of the hottest days of the year the entire group had a pleasant and profitable day.

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## HERE FOR THE SUMMER

Mrs. Leon Streeter and two daughters of Portland, Maine, arrived in Geneva last week to spend a short time at the summer home of Miss Anna Brooks. It is a pleasure for the NEWS to welcome them back to Geneva.

## NUTRITIVE VALUES

Dr. Tressler, Mr. Jenkins and Mr. Stimson of the Chemistry Division spent a few days last week at the Snider Packing Corporation plant in Albion, New York. They conducted cooperative experiments on the nutritive value of fresh and frozen peas.

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## DISTINGUISHED VISITOR

Mr. Thomas Midgley, Jr., the inventor of Ethyl gas, was a guest of Dr. and Mrs. Tressler last week Friday.

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## THE NEW BUILDING

Members of the Staff who have been to the State Fair grounds recently report that the new building which will house the Station exhibits this year is rapidly taking shape and will be quite in readiness for the Fair in September.

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## STATE VEGETABLE GROWERS

Mr. Tapley is in Albany to confer with executives of the State Vegetable Growers Association concerning plans for the summer meeting which will take place in two weeks.

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## ON VACATION

Dr. Hamilton of the Division of Plant Pathology has left for the Atlantic Seaboard on a vacation journey which will take him too far afield to report on a definite location.

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## CORN HAS THEM TOO

Malnutrition troubles have developed in corn at Mount Morris and Mr. Sayre has been called in to help diagnose the condition. The corn is getting too much of this or too little of that for its own good and it is hoped that it may be quite improved with the aid of the experts. What this really amounts to is a good fertilizer problem.

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## TO MEET HERE

Mr. Roy McPherson, Secretary of the State Horticultural Society, and Mr. Bruce Jones visited the Station last week looking forward to the summer meeting of the State Horticultural Society for Western New York, which will be held at the Station on August 5.

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## SOIL EROSION

Mr. Wellington, Mr. Collison, Mr. Harlan and Mr. Gladwin accompanied by Dr. Slater and Mr. Ainsley visited the Cohocton area on Friday and looked over the soil erosion problems there. The group was headed by Mr. George Moore and his associates from the Bath soil conservation office. While on this trip they went over the cooperative grape work at Hammondsport.

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## VALLEY FRUIT WORK

Thursday and Friday of this week will find Mr. Wellington in the Hudson Valley looking over the division's fruit work with Mr. Anderson. On the way home Mr. Wellington plans to visit the hop yards near Waterville with Mr. Harlan.

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## THE PEDERSONS

Word received from the Pedersons indicates that they are covering ground fast. Dr. Pederson attended the American Dairy Science Association meetings in Lincoln, Nebraska where he naturally ran into Dr. Dahlberg. Trailering seems to agree with them, but the heat does not. Already they have visited Rocky Mountain National Park Garden of the Gods, Grand Canyon and many other points of interest. A note from Jane tells mostly about the Indians, the heat, and the picturesque houses in Santa Fe. Both she and Bud seem to like the West.

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