

# STATION NEWS

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## AT ALBANY

Dr. G. J. Hucker addressed the Dairy Herd Council meeting at Albany on Monday. He discussed the Mastitis studies at the Station. On a previous occasion Dr. Hucker presented to the council an outline of the Dairy work at the Station. Mr. Walter joined Dr. Hucker on the trip.

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## IMPORTANT CONFERENCES

On Monday Dr. Breed and Dr. Sanborn will devote their time to special paper sanitation conferences to be held here. The importance of these conferences is best appreciated when it is realized that the interests at the Station which started with paper containers have been extended to the entire field of paper sanitation.

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## ENTOMOLOGISTS TO MEET

Dr. Glasgow will head a group of the Station entomologists, which will include Mr. Hartzell, Dr. Gambrell, and Dr. Hammer, on a pilgrimage to Baltimore the last of the week for the annual meeting of the Northeastern Section of the Association of Economic Entomologists. All of the above are contributing papers to the program.

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## TALKING IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

Dr. Chapman will appear on the program of the New Hampshire Horticultural Society which is meeting in Manchester on the 17th and 18th. "Jack" Combs, formerly a western New York spray specialist and well known to many here at the Station, is President of the New Hampshire Horticultural Society. Mr. Combs is now growing fruit in that state.

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## A FEATURE ARTICLE

The Dairymen's League NEWS for last week carried as one of its feature articles an account by a member of its editorial staff of cheese investigations conducted in the Dairy Division here, with special reference to contributions made by Dr. Dahlberg and Mr. Marquardt.

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## OFF TO PUERTO RICO

Mrs. Nebel and the two boys left last week for Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, for a stay of several months. Mrs. Nebel is planning to carry on cytological studies with derris at the Puerto Rico Experiment Station which is located at Mayaguez.

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## A "VISITOR"

Dr. Oscar Hammer spent a few days at the Station last week. Dr. Hammer, entomologist for the Hudson Valley Fruit Investigations with headquarters in Poughkeepsie, will not return to Geneva for the winter months as he has done for the past few years, but will remain in Poughkeepsie.

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## BACK AT HEADQUARTERS

On the other hand, Dr. L. A. Carruth who directs the activities of the corn ear worm laboratory at Roslyn (on Long Island) during the summer, has returned to Geneva for the winter. The Carruths are making their home at 405 Washington Street.

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## RED CROSS DRIVE

The last report from the Station's Red Cross headquarters indicates that the drive is again being successfully conducted. The NEWS wishes to commend Dr. Kertesz and his able associates for the service which they have rendered. The NEWS also expresses its appreciation for the spirit associated with the Station's desire to make the Red Cross drive a success..

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## CORNELL HONORED

On Nov. 7th the announcement was made from the headquarters of the American Dairy Science Association at Columbus, Ohio that Prof. E. S. Guthrie of Cornell had been elected to the office of Vice-President. This is a tribute to the splendid service which Cornell University has rendered to the dairy industry and also to the part which Prof. Guthrie has taken in rendering this service. As a result of the election Dr. Guthrie will lead the dairy scientists in 1939 and the NEWS is extending to him its best wishes for his success in this new and important leadership.

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## CORNELL CHEMISTS

Dr. Z. I. Kertesz addressed the Biochemical Seminar at Ithaca on Tuesday. "Recent developments and present problems in the biochemistry of pectins," was the subject of his address. The Biochemical Seminar at Cornell is composed of the staff and graduate students of the departments of Dairying, Animal Nutrition, and the Biochemistry Department.

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## BIG GAME

Bill Harman and Joe Moore are reported to have fared very well on a recent big game hunting expedition into the wilds of the Adirondacks.

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## THE SICK LIST

Encouraging reports continue to come in from Miss Barnes and Dr. Dahlberg, both of whom are said to be making very good progress toward recovery. Mr. Hening joined the hospital contingent last week when he went over to the Clifton Springs Sanitarium for treatments. Mr. Slate is confined to his home with the grippe.

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## IN THE COLLEGE MAIL

EXTENSION ECHOES from Ithaca this week carries the following item: "Cards have been addressed to Mr. Roberts Hall and to Miss Martha Van Rensselaer Hall, but the prize came last week labelled 'Roberta Hall'."

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## AT THE DARTMOUTH GAME

ECHOES also tells about the cigarstore Indian, a lady Indian, that made its appearance at the Cornell-Dartmouth game last Saturday. The 200-pound squaw was located in Dansville, N. Y., and was donated by a Cornell alumnus to be the property of the winner of the Cornell-Dartmouth classic for the ensuing year. ECHOES states that Doc Bates says the wooden life-size model is a good specimen.

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## PRIVATE BINDING

Mrs. Hening is assembling Station Library material for binding and will include in the shipment such private binding as may be wanted at this time. For details, get in touch with her within the next few days.

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GLEN PARKER VAN ESELTIME

1888 - 1938

Glen P. Van Eseltine, botanist and associate in research of the New York State Agricultural Experiment Station, passed away suddenly at his home Monday night, November 14, from a heart attack. Born at Syracuse, New York, October 21, 1888, he attended Syracuse University and George Washington University, receiving the A. B. degree from Syracuse University in 1913.

He served as aid in the U. S. National Herbarium in Washington from 1913 to 1915, became assistant in the Office of Foreign Seed and Plant Introductions of the U. S. Department of Agriculture in 1915 and served in that capacity until 1919 when he became assistant botanist. During the World War he was active in food work for the U. S. Department of Agriculture. In 1922 he returned to Syracuse, following a period of ill health, and taught in the North High School in that city until 1927 when he joined the staff of the Experiment Station as associate in research, and botanist. He was on the faculty of the Syracuse University Summer School in 1926, 1928 and 1929.

His professional work was in the field of taxonomic botany, especially that dealing with economic and horticultural plants. He was the author of numerous government and Station publications on botanical subjects, contributor to scientific journals, and the co-author of the Beans of New York, the Sweet Corn of New York, and the Cucurbits of New York in the series of vegetable books published by the Station.

He held membership in many professional and scientific societies, including the American Association for the Advancement of Science, of which he was a fellow, the Botanical Society of America, the Ecological Society of America, the American Society for Horticultural Science, the Society of Sigma Xi, and the Washington Biologists' Field Club. He was also a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

In the local communities in which he lived he took always an active part. In Geneva he was president of the Eaton Bird Club and the Geneva Chapter of the Izaak Walton League. It was through his efforts that the Geneva Garden Club, which he served also as president, was organized, and the Flower Shows established. He was a member of the North Presbyterian Church of Geneva, an honorary member of the Canandaigua Botanical Society, Chairman of the Scout advancement committee of Geneva, and Secretary of the University Club.

He was married to Florence M. Lamb of Meridian, New York, on September 8, 1915. The children are Robert L. Van Eseltine, a graduate of Oberlin College and now doing graduate work at Columbia University, William P., a sophomore in High School, and Dorothy, age 3.

To do nothing more than to place on record the achievements and activities of Glen Van Eseltine would be to miss so very much. It was his quiet, kindly, helpful, uplifting spirit that brought him so many friends, and the high standards of daily living and the search and appreciation for better and finer things coupled with it that gained him the respect of his colleagues and drew youth to him. No request for help or advice in professional work, or in the handling of problems involving human relations was ever denied.

The NEWS sends its deepest and most heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Van Eseltine, Dorothy, Billy, and Bob.