

# Station News

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Geneva, N. Y.

## NOT A BANK

This note appears by special request of the business office. For some time that office has declined to cash checks, altho it will accept checks in payment for milk tickets. Recently, considerable inconvenience has been experienced by persons presenting bills of large denomination--\$10 and \$20 bills are bills of "large denomination" to us--either in payment for a dollar's worth of milk tickets or simply with a request that the bill be changed. All of which is to lead up to the fact that the business office is NOT A BANK and is not prepared to perform the services of a bank. Very little cash is kept in the office and when a request for change is met as a matter of accommodation, it generally means another trip to the bank by Mr. Bowen--a trip which should be made by the person concerned. The office will find it necessary, hereafter, therefore, to decline to make change for large bills--as well as to decline to cash checks. This decision is announced with regret by Mr. Bowen who is by nature a most accommodating gentleman, but pressure of other work in the office makes it essential that some of the "personal service" activities of the past be drastically curtailed.

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## CABBAGE GROWERS

Farm Bureau agents from western New York and Farm Bureau cabbage committeemen from the western counties of the State will meet with representatives of the College of Agriculture for a marketing conference in Jordan Hall this afternoon.

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## DISCUSSED COOPERATIVE WORK

Mr. D. L. Van Dine of the Bureau of Entomology of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture visited the Station yesterday to review the cooperative work in progress in the State between the Bureau and the Station. The projects include studies of parasites of the codling moth in the Hudson Valley and in western New York, the orchard lighting project of which Mr. Machado is in charge, and parasitic studies of the Japanese beetle in Westchester County which have recently been undertaken.

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## AN ALUMNUS

Mr. E. L. Green, formerly a member of the Chemistry Division and now Associate Biochemist of the Division of Fruit and Vegetable Investigations of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture at Beltsville, Md., was here for the meeting of the Fruit Testing Association last week.

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## WELL ATTENDED

The annual meeting of the Fruit Testing Association attracted the usual crowd of interested growers and was voted a complete success by all who participated. The quality of the fruit on display was regarded as superior to anything shown in recent years.

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## DR. ZIMMERMAN TAKES OVER

Dr. W. I. Zimmerman has been appointed an Assistant in Research in the Chemistry Division to fill the vacancy occasioned by Ralph Celmer's resignation. He will assist Charles Tressler in the maple products investigations. Dr. Zimmerman and his family have taken up their residence on Castle Road.

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## GOING TO WASHINGTON STATE

Miss Jennie McIntosh successfully passed her examinations for the Ph.D. degree at Cornell last Thursday and has left Geneva for her home in New Brunswick for a brief vacation before taking up her duties as an assistant in research at Washington State College, Pullman, Wash., where she will engage in studies on the nutritive value of fruits and vegetables.

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## RETURNED TO MINNESOTA

Mrs. Evans left Geneva with relatives last Sunday for her home in Hawley, Minn., following a visit of several months with her daughter, Mrs. Hening.

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MRS. THATCHER ILL

Word was received in Geneva recently that while attending her brother's funeral in Lincoln, Nebraska, about two weeks ago, Mrs. Thatcher was taken seriously ill and was removed to a hospital for observation and treatment. Since then, she has returned to Arlington, Mass., where she is staying with her daughter, Mrs. Barber.

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#### CONFERRED IN NEW YORK

Dr. Hucker and Mr. Walter were in New York City last Friday for a conference on cleaning and sterilizing food processing equipment and on cleaning problems confronting food dispensers. Participating in the conference were representatives of the American Public Health Association, the New York State and New York City Departments of Health, and several dairy companies.

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#### RESEARCH AND THE DRAFT

Bulletin No. 3 of the American Council on Education, now on file in the Library, contains up-to-the-minute information on the selective training act as related to research and educational institutions.

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#### SERVICE WITHOUT UNIFORMS

For information about a movement to organize volunteers not called in the draft for participation in a phase of national defense not associated with the military, inquire of Bernie Webel.

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#### "GUEST RESEARCH WORKER"

It is in that capacity that Mr. Sayre will take up work on soil fertility and plant nutrition at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J., beginning next week and continuing until the first of April. Our best wishes to both Mr. and Mrs. Sayre for a most profitable and pleasant experience. We should caution Mrs. Sayre about "Jersey Justice", however, for there has come to our attention the following account of a curious law enacted in that state during the reign of King George III, who by the way granted the charter for Rutgers. Here's the law: "All women of whatever age, rank, profession, or degree, whether virgins, wives, or widows, who shall after this act impose upon, seduce, and betray into matrimony any of his Majesty's subjects by virtue of scents, cosmetics, washes, paints, artificial teeth, false hair, or high-heeled shoes, shall incur the penalty of the law now in force against witchcraft and like misdemeanors."

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#### FRUIT FOR SALE

McIntosh apples at 75 cents a bushel and grapes at 25 cents for a 4-quart basket may be ordered thru Miss Corcoran or Mrs. Elwood Clark. Smaller quantities of apples may be obtained if desired; also information on grape varieties available will be supplied upon request.

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#### DR. PALMITER HERE

Dr. D. H. Palmiter, plant pathologist of the Hudson Valley Fruit Investigations with headquarters at Poughkeepsie, has come to the Station to aid in harvesting fruit from the experimental plats in western New York, after which he plans a brief vacation at his home in Wisconsin.

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#### A CABBAGE TOUR

Dr. Reinking and Dr. Glasgow took part in a cabbage tour in Monroe County yesterday. The event was sponsored by the Monroe County Farm Bureau and centered in the Rochester area.

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#### FILTER PAPERS

Recently, problems concerning filter papers have been referred to Dr. Conn and to Dr. Breed, as chairmen of committees on methods in their respective organizations. It seems that not all American filter papers are satisfactory for certain critical uses; and European papers are now difficult to obtain. Do any members of the staff here have similar problems? If so, either Dr. Breed or Dr. Conn would be interested to hear about them.

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