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CERTIFIED SEED

Several members of the Station Staff participated in a conference at the College of Agriculture Monday and Tuesday of this week held under the auspices of the New York Seed Improvement Cooperative Association to consider seed production opportunities and problems for 1944. Discussions of seed shortages, a report on the findings of the seed testing laboratory, and a summary of the State regulations relating to the seed industry were followed with sessions on special seed crops, such as potatoes, beans, corn, small grains, soybeans, vegetables, grasses, and small-seeded legumes. Mr. Bruce Jones of Hall is President of the Association.



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HEADS EASTERN BRANCH

Doctor Hugh Glasgow was elected Chairman of the Eastern Branch of the American Association of Economic Entomologists at the annual meeting of the group in Philadelphia last week. Dr. Glasgow, Dr. Chapman and Professor Wheeler attended the meeting, while other members of the Entomology Division had prepared papers which were presented for them.

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TO DIRECT CHEESE WORK

Rapid progress is being made on fitting up office quarters for Mr. Marquardt in Jordan Hall in anticipation of his transfer to the Division of Milk Control of the State Department of Agriculture and Markets on December 1st. Jules will then assume the title of Assistant Director of the Division, which numbers 75 persons, and will have charge of the Department's work on cheese. He will also have office space in the State Office building in Albany. Mr. Marquardt came to the Station from the University of California in 1921 and has been engaged in cheese research continuously since then. For the past few months he has been assisting New York State cheese makers to meet lend-lease requirements. Commenting on Marquardt's appointment, Commissioner Chester DuMond of the State Department of Agriculture and Markets says, "I expect Professor Marquardt can be of inestimable value to New York State dairymen and cheese makers during the war period and particularly after the war in helping to improve the quality, and likewise the demand, for New York State cheese." Our congratulations to Jules on this splendid opportunity!

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NO FARM AND HOME WEEK

"The long lines of people stretching out from the Home Economics cafeteria each day in typical Farm-Home Week style show the big reason why there will be no extra crowd asked to come to the campus in February of 1944." Thus states Extension Echoes in announcing the final decision to postpone to another year the holding of the 37th Farm and Home Week program.

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A CARL LADD SCHOLARSHIP

Extension Echoes tells of a suggestion that has been made at Ithaca of raising a fund for an annual Carl E. Ladd scholarship in the College of Agriculture for a needy and deserving farm boy, the capital for the fund to be made up by contributions of ten cents or more from all persons in the State who might wish to participate in this memorial to Dean Ladd. The idea will prove popular, we are sure, if it is carried out.

NEW EXTENSION FORESTER

Mr. Fred E. Winch, Jr., of Lynchburg, Va., has been named assistant extension forester at the College of Agriculture and has entered upon his new duties. He has been with the Soil Conservation Service since 1937 where he worked with farmers in planning and developing farm woodlands.

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ON LEAVE

In the interval since the last issue of the NEWS, George Pearce has taken up graduate work at Pennsylvania State College for the period to May 31, 1944, having been granted a sabbatic leave for that purpose.

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A SYMPOSIUM ON PEAS

In line with the recently announced plan to widen the scope of their programs for the 1943-44 season, the Geneva Chemists' Club announces a symposium on the production and utilization of peas as the theme for their meeting on Thursday, December 2. Among those scheduled to participate in the discussion are Dr. Reinking, Dr. Hofer, Dr. Kertesz, Dr. Moyer, Dr. Lee, Professor Sayre, and Dr. Glasgow. That should just about cover the subject of growing and processing peas.

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JUST A BIT HOMESICK

Clarence DuBois writes from Baton Rouge, La., "Just a note to let you know how much we appreciate receiving the NEWS. We have been away from Geneva nearly a year, and today is the first time we have gotten homesick--when we read in the NEWS that Doc Glasgow, Nort, Einset, Oberle, and Bake were on a hunting trip in the Adirondacks. Clarence would like to know, "What luck?"

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SERVICE MEN

Steve Valerio, now technician 5th grade in the Engineer Corps, was home on furlough recently and visited friends at the Station. Steve is stationed at Camp Clairborne, La. Sam Sullivan was also a recent visitor during his leave from Camp Swift, Austin, Texas. Sam is also in the Engineer Corps. Both of these men worked with Dr. Tukey before joining the Army. Pfc. Ronald Tukey has completed his course in Meteorology at Chanute Field, Ill., and has moved to Hill Field, Ogden, Utah, where he is a Weather Observer with the Army Air Forces.

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AN ELECTRON MICROSCOPE

The desirability of Cornell University acquiring an electron microscope has been presented to the Dean of the Graduate School in the form of a report from a faculty committee. A copy of the report has also been sent to various members of the Station Staff, many of whom would be interested in using such equipment if it were available at Ithaca. At present such use as Staff members have made of this revolutionary idea in microscopy has required travel to Princeton, N. J., where an instrument owned by the RCA Laboratory in that place has been made available to workers from other laboratories.

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IN FAMILIAR WORK

Word from Mrs. Marion Barrett who moved to Lansing, Mich., recently after serving as secretary to Dr. Tukey for several years, conveys the information that she has acquired a position as secretary to Dr. V. R. Gardner, Horticulturist and Director of the Michigan Experiment Station in East Lansing.

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A CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Ceres Circle will hold a Christmas party on just about the earliest possible date for such an event when it meets at the Director's residence next Wednesday afternoon, December 1st, at 3:30 for a program of Christmas readings and Christmas carols. Members of the Club are asked to bring gifts for the Salvation Army, with each gift marked whether for a boy or a girl and the approximate age of the child. Miss Bette Cullinan will act as hostess while Miss Rosina Felice will be chairman.

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