

# STATION NEWS

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## DOCTOR POTTER

The Experiment Station Staff mourns with the faculty of Hobart and William Smith Colleges and the entire community in the tragic loss of President John Milton Potter.

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## REGIONAL ADVISER

Doctor Heinicke has been spending considerable time recently as Regional Administrative Adviser for projects on marketing of fruits for the Northeastern Region in connection with the Agricultural Research and Marketing Act, commonly known as the Flannagan-Hope bill. Later this week he will attend a conference in Washington of all of the Regional Administrative Advisers where proposed marketing research projects for a number of commodities will be reviewed and correlated on a national basis.

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## THE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

The New York State Agricultural Society will hold its 115th annual meeting and its famous farm dinner on Wednesday, Jan. 22, with an address by Governor Dewey at the dinner. The theme of this year's meeting is to be "What Lies Ahead for the New York State Farmer and His Family in 1947".

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## TO ADDRESS NURSERYMEN

Doctor Heinicke will report to the New York State Nurserymen's Association on work under way here on rootstocks and other nursery problems when the Association meets in Rochester at the Hotel Sheraton later this week.

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## IN HARRISBURG

Doctor Chapman addressed the Pennsylvania Horticultural Association in Harrisburg yesterday on his investigations with petroleum oils for orchard sprays.

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## FRUIT ICES

Cornell Extension Bulletin No. 708, entitled "Fruit Ices--Make Them At Home" and written by Professor Hening, has been printed just in time for use at the fruit growers' meetings in Rochester this week. While other Extension Bulletins have been published jointly by the College of Agriculture and the Station, notably the everpopular No. 611 on quick freezing, Professor Hening's new bulletin marks a definite departure from past procedure in that all such popular accounts of Station work will hereafter appear in Extension Bulletins rather than Station circulars, the latter series having been discontinued, except for old 105, the list of available publications. The exceedingly photo-genic young lady whose picture appears on the cover of Bulletin No. 708, and who "modeled" for all of the illustrations in the bulletin, is Miss Helen Ferris of the vitamin assay laboratory of the Division of Food Science and Technology.

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CERES CIRCLE TODAY AT 3:30 P. M. AT THE DIRECTOR'S RESIDENCE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY--DR. HEDRICK!

Congratulations and best wishes are the order of the day for Doctor Hedrick, who celebrates his 77th birthday today. The NEWS extends greetings and wishes for many happy returns.

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DOCTOR CONN HONORED

Official announcement has been made of the election of Doctor Harold J. Conn as Vice President of the Society of American Bacteriologists, following a mail ballot on officers of the Society for 1947. This means that Doctor Conn will automatically step into the Presidency of the Society in 1948.

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ANOTHER RECORD

Mention in last week's NEWS of the tremendous increase in number of samples received in the Seed Testing Laboratory for the last six months of 1946 called forth a communication to the Editor from Mr. H. L. Durham who has the task of checking all of the dairy glassware used in the State before it is "official" for making butter fat and bacteriological tests of milk and cream. Mr. Durham tells us that for the year ended December 31, 1946, he examined 74,323 pieces of glassware, by far the largest amount he has ever handled since he began testing in 1930. The total for 1945, for example, was 24,738--so even he who runs may see that Mr. Durham had a busy time of it indeed during 1946.

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MR. ROTHROCK

Harry N. Rothrock died in the Geneva General Hospital Saturday, Jan. 11th. Mr. Rothrock was a carpenter and a member of the Station maintenance crew for many years.

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WE'RE SORRY

Our Department of Vital Statistics slipped badly in 1946 when it overlooked the arrival on November 2 of Suzanne Madge Hopkins, born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hopkins of Auburn, making Mr. and Mrs. "Vic" Hopkins proud grandparents. Then, there was the arrival on December 18th of Louisa Lipps, born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lipps. Mr. Lipps is assisting Doctor Kertesz. Congratulations all around!

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CURRENT PERIODICALS

At the Staff meeting on Monday afternoon it was decided to discontinue the weekly circulation of current periodicals and instead to hold all such material in the Library for at least one month after receipt for use there by interested persons. During that period the periodicals will not be available for loan except on an overnight basis. The new plan is to go into effect at once.

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BROTHER RAT

According to a Washington, D. C., news release the Fish and Wildlife Service reports that the nation's rat population is now about 130,000,000, or about one rat per person--not counting, of course, the human rats.

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