

The Station News

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POSTPONE : The May Staff meeting which was to have been held on next Monday has
MEETING : been postponed until Thursday, May 7, at the request of Dean Mann who
-----: will be the speaker at the meeting, but finds it impossible to be here
on Monday.

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DEAN MANN TO : According to newspaper accounts, Dean Mann has been named by President
HEAD COMMITTEE: Hoover as Chairman of a national committee on home building and home
-----: ownership. This committee is one of twelve committees appointed under
the joint chairmanship of Secretary LaMont (Commerce) and Secretary Wilbur (Interior).
Dean Mann's committee will be concerned with the aspects of rural and village housing
as related to costs, construction and remodeling, individual development, taxes,
financing, social development, character, and related questions. Prof. B. L. Melvin
of the Department of Rural Social Organization at Cornell has been named research
secretary of the committee. Another chairmanship has also come to Cornell with the
appointment by the President of Miss Martha Van Rensselaer, Director of the College
of Home Economics, to head the committee on home-making.

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THE FINAL : With all but one item accounted for, the Station now has at its
FIGURES : disposal for the coming fiscal year, by virtue of Legislative enact-
-----: ments and the Governor's approval, the following sums: For maintenance
and operation, \$411,480; for repairs to the Chemistry Building, \$12,000; for the
greenhouses, \$80,000; for equipment for the new building, \$65,000; making a total
from the State of \$568,480 to which should be added \$9,000 of federal money, with a
grand total of \$577,480. Authorization was also given by the Legislature for the
heating of the new building and the greenhouses from the present Biology Building.
The one item that remains to be heard from was an appropriation of \$5,000 for a
special investigator on raspberry diseases to be located in the western part of the
State. The Governor vetoed a provision for \$15,000 for alterations to the Biology
Building to fit it for the use of the Dairy and Bacteriology Divisions on the grounds
that the building would not be vacated by the plant pathologists and pomologists much
before the next meeting of the Legislature. By way of comparison, the total
appropriations for the fiscal year which ends on June 30 was \$663,625, including the
item of \$285,000 for the new building.

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YOUNG : The Young Farmers Club of the Geneva High School held its annual banquet
FARMERS : last Wednesday and included among its guests four members of the Station
-----: Staff. The Hon. Chas. W. Wilson, the speaker of the evening, who
discussed the work of the Federal Farm Board, was introduced by Mr. Parrott. Mr.
Kenneth Burger, high man on the fruit judging team which captured first place in
competition with several other high schools at the meeting of the State Horticultural
Society in Rochester last winter, said a few words in appreciation of the help given
the local team by Mr. Van Alstyne to whose coaching the team attributed a large share
of its success.

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TO TALK : Radio activities of the week, so far as the Station is concerned, will
ON CORN : be limited to a talk by Mr. Sayre over WEAJ next Tuesday on "A Compari-
-----: son of Thirty Varieties of Yellow Sweet Corn Including Five Hybrid
Inbred Strains." Apropos of radio, the famous "Cheerio" station (CKGW) at Toronto
is now broadcasting the Station's so-called "radio service."

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TRAVELERS : Messages are being received noting the progress of the Comms on their
HEARD FROM : trip across the continent. A communication received the latter part of
-----: the week told of their travels as far as St. Louis.

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INTERESTED : Another wanderer heard from last week was Dr. Paul Prickett, formerly a
IN GENEVA : member of the Bacteriology Division here and now head of the bacteriolo-
-----: gical work of the Mead Johnson Company at Evansville, Indiana, who writes
that he still has a keen interest in affairs at the Station and would welcome an
opportunity to see the NEWS. We are just as keen to find someone who wants to read
the NEWS, hence his subscription has been entered on the books. Paul writes that all
three members of the family would be delighted to see Station folks who find them-
selves in southern Indiana at any time.

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48 HOURS : Mr. Marquardt returned the first of the week from a hurried trip to
FOR 20 : Monroe, Wisconsin, where he demonstrated the Station's new method for
-----: manufacturing cream cheese to some 50 representatives of the Wisconsin
Cheese Corporation, spending 20 hours in the town and 48 hours on the road to and
from Monroe. The Monroe factory is just getting into production on the new cream
cheese and by the first of June expects to be turning out 4,000 pounds per day.
Present arrangements call for a second visit by Mr. Marquardt at that time to check
up on details of the operation.

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FINDS TEXAS: California and Florida may well look to their laurels, for Texas has a
DELIGHTFUL : new champion who promises to put the weather and beauties of the Lone
-----: Star state on the first page of every newspaper in the country if
something isn't done about it. In other words, enthusiastic letters continue to
arrive from Leslie Hawthorn telling about the abundance and excellence of straw-
berries, vegetables, and flowers that predominate in his region and the surrounding
territory, until one wonders why one continues to endure the rigors of a western
New York "spring." Mr. Hawthorn is finding his new work increasingly interesting
and the country a constant source of pleasure and delight.

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MR. LAWSON: Mr. Lawson has returned to his duties in the Museum following a winter
RETURNS : of study abroad and in Toronto.

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DAIRY : The annual business meeting and election of officers of the University
RESEARCH : Club is to be held next Tuesday evening at the Pulteney Inn. Following
-----: the business session, Dr. Dahlberg will talk on "Some Problems in
Dairy Research."

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GRADUATE : Last Saturday a large group of graduate students in entomology at Cornell
STUDENTS : visited the Station and inspected the entomological work under way here.
-----: During the past year members of the Entomology Division have delivered
a series of lectures before this group at Ithaca, dealing with their special fields
of effort.

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CHEMISTRY : On Friday, Dr. Carpenter will speak on "The Faraday Symposium on
SEMINAR : Optical Rotation" at a meeting of the chemical group to be held in the
-----: Chemistry Building.

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JUDGE SPRING: Dr. Breed spent two days in Ithaca recently assisting in the judging
MILK SAMPLES: of the spring samples of milk submitted by contestants for the State
-----: Fair prizes for fluid milk under the new method of judging entries in
this contest whereby all samples are to be examined at Ithaca. Winter, spring, and
summer samples are collected and sent in for test. The third and final examination
will be made in August.

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LANDSCAPING : The beautification of the Station grounds is continuing to make
PROGRESSES : progress under the able supervision of the two Vans--Eseltine and
-----: Alstyne. The latter has drawn up plans for improving the appearance
of the grounds around Jordan Hall and around the Director's residence, and is
directing work laid out for this spring, while Mr. Van Eseltine is superintending
the laying out of an extensive rose garden south of Collier Drive, beginning at
Castle Street and extending westward along the Drive. While it may not be possible
to get this garden on a producing basis this year, eventually it will be a striking
addition to the Station grounds. Present plans call for seven beds each 42 by 6
feet, with a background of climbers. When the new greenhouses are completed, the
planting will be extended still further to the west.

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HOMEWARD : According to our latest advices, Dr. Hedrick started North on Monday
BOUND : and will probably reach home the latter part of this week. He is
-----: motoring back with friends, and occasional stops are being made at
famous country estates and parks to inspect gardens and landscape effects.