

# STATION NEWS

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## VEGETABLE CONFAB

Vegetables are in the limelight this week as four grower organizations are pooling their efforts in a convention at the War Memorial Building in Syracuse. Co-sponsoring the event are the Vegetable Growers Association of America, the National Association of Greenhouse Vegetable Growers, the Empire State Potato Club, and the New York State Vegetable Growers Association. Director Heinicke will address the group on Thursday in a talk entitled "Our Expanding Program on Processing Crops in New York". Prof. Tapley's "Red Top" tomato is the subject of a colorful display in the exhibit area, having been set up by Mr. Luckett and Mr. Carruth on Monday.

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## ROTARY TALKS

Dr. Heinicke was the guest speaker at yesterday's meeting of the Rotary Club of Auburn. His topic was "Industry and Agriculture"... Today, the Geneva Rotary Club will hear a discussion of the economic aid programs in Ceylon, as observed by Dr. Zoltan Kertesz.

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## FOOD PACKAGING MEETING

Doctors Hand and Robinson were in Ithaca on Monday, attending a conference concerned with the ingredients used in food packaging materials. Representatives of the chemical, food processing, and packaging industries took part in the meeting sponsored by the Food Protection Committee of the National Research Council.

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## VEGETABLE CROPS MEETINGS

Dr. Barton has accepted an invitation to take part in the National Sweetcorn Breeders Conference, to be held in Chicago on Thursday and Friday... Simultaneously, the GLF Tri-State Agronomy Conference is being held at State College, Pa. Representing the Geneva Station will be Prof. G. B. Sayre, who will discuss fertilizer and variety recommendations for New York State.

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## NEW BUILDING PLANS

Representatives from the office of the State University architect's office will meet here on Friday to discuss details of the proposed Food Processing Building with Station officials.

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## CERES CIRCLE MEETING

The next meeting of the Ceres Circle will be held on Monday evening, Dec. 6, at the home of Mrs. Heinicke. Each member is asked to bring a small gift for use in the Salvation Army gift distribution project. It is important that information be included stating the age and sex of the child for whom the gift would be appropriate. The program for the evening will be devoted to wrapping gifts and aiding in plans for the Station Club Christmas Party.

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## TO ADDRESS CANADIAN GROWERS

Dr. Braun will be in Hamilton, Ontario, on Friday. He'll speak to members of the Ontario Berry Growers Marketing Board on the subject, "Strawberry Diseases--Old and New".

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## STATUS CHANGES

Mrs. Virginia Schram, stenographer in Pomology, left the fold yesterday and will join her husband, Pvt. Robert Schram, who is now stationed at Fort Bliss, Texas. Mrs. Schram came to the Station on April 1st of this year.... And the new stenographer in Seed Investigations is Mrs. Mary Lou Dumbleton of Elmwood Avenue in Geneva. Mrs. Dumbleton is a native of Warsaw, N. Y., and was previously employed in a local bank. She occupies the position formerly held by Virginia Woodard.

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## HOLIDAY WORKING SCHEDULE

A communication from the Business Office at Ithaca concerns the working schedule during the holiday season: "...In addition to the established holidays, the President may from time to time at his discretion grant additional holidays. This year he has indicated that the University would be closed on Friday, December 24th. ....for those individuals unable to take the declared holiday, equivalent time off must be given..."

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#### MRS. CAMPBELL BEREAVED

Funeral services will be held today for Edward Wood, 65, of Hopewell. Mr. Wood was the father of Mrs. Talmadge Campbell, a former member of the Seed Investigations Department and wife of Bud Campbell of FS&T. The deceased died at his home on Monday. We express our sympathy to the family.

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#### MOVING TIME

The Herbert Reitmanns have moved from Seneca Castle to their newly-built home on White Springs Lane....The Gibbs family is reestablishing its home on John Street....And the Ed Smiths will make the move into their new home on Highland Avenue next Monday.

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#### HOSPITAL NOTES

Mr. Hopkins reported to a Rochester hospital yesterday for examination and observation....Mr. Hening moved into the Geneva Hospital yesterday, preparatory to undergoing surgery on Friday....And Miss O'Malley will submit to minor surgery at the local hospital on Saturday. To all, our wishes for speedy recoveries.

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#### SEMINAR COMMITTEE ORGANIZED

Dr. Natti heads the newly-organized Station seminar committee and is assisted by Doctors Hansen, Lawrence, and McEwan. The committee is on the lookout for appropriate subject matter for its programs and invites suggestions from staff members.

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#### CHRISTMAS PARTY DOINGS

Selected to assist Mr. and Mrs. Way with the Station Club Christmas Party are the Holleys (children's supper) and the Hansens (entertainment). The list of children isn't yet complete but it looks like there'll be a full house on the evening of December 17th. Details will be announced soon.

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#### CLUB TO JOIN CERES CIRCLE IN COSTUME PARTY

It seems that the ladies of the Ceres Circle established a precedent a couple of years ago when they put on their first costume party. Repeated early this year, the party registered another big bang. And the Station Club has offered its services for the coming February party to help ring the bell again. Mr. and Mrs. Robinson are taking charge of the mid-winter fracas. It'll have a Mother Goose theme so there'll be a wide field for choice of costumes. Entertainment will include a stunt put on by each Department of the Station. These may be enacted by the husbands, wives, or both--but not neither(?) A hot lunch will cap off the evening. This advance notice is provided so that we can be on the lookout for real whing-ding clever costumes for February 7th.

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#### CHIT CHAT

Thanksgiving at home was enjoyed by Harrison Jahn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Jahn. He came up from New York City to spend a long weekend here....Traveling in the opposite direction was Karl Li of FS&T. He spent the time with relatives in New York....The Mike Szkolniks joined a family reunion at the Szkolnik home in Freehold, N. J....Mrs. Janice Rizzo Allen is back at her job in Entomology today, following her recent wedding trip. The Allens have an apartment on the Stanley road....Stewart Bishop polished off a turkey in quick fashion on Thanksgiving--then went out back and polished off a buck. He bagged the deer on the family farm.... It's an unusual sight to see the windows of Entomology wide open in this nippy weather. The bug chasers are hungry for fresh air ever since their heating system was tapped into a line from the Central Heating Plant. The Carpenter Shop is also being supplied with steam....A note from Dr. Donald Tressler conveys the information that he has again taken up his residence in Riverside, Illinois. His address is 329 DesPlaines Ave.

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#### NOTES ON INSECTI-FUNGI-PESTI-APPLI CONFERENCE

Proof of the growing popularity of the annual Insecticide, Fungicide, and Pesticide Application Equipment Conference at Ithaca comes in the form of some statistics released after last month's meeting. A total of 482 registered during the 3-day sessions. They represented 90 U. S. industries and 20 Canadian industries. Staff members were present from 11 universities, the USDA, the U. S. Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare, and the Canadian Dept. of Agriculture. Cooperative government agencies, individual growers, and miscellaneous groups also were represented. Canadian registration totaled 56; American representatives came from 18 states and the District of Columbia. The three states with the highest attendance were New York--268; Pennsylvania--31; and New Jersey--34. The meetings are designed to acquaint members of the pesticide industry with the highlights of the experimental work in New York State and the extension recommendations for the coming year. They are open to representatives of all industrial concerns and others interested in the program.

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"Our agriculture has no problems that reasonable men, using adequate resources, cannot solve".--Ezra Benson (at meeting of Association of Land-Grant Colleges and Universities-1954.)