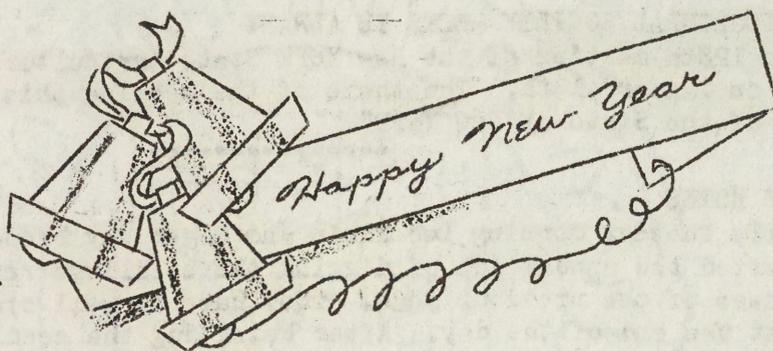


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WEEK'S WEATHER

	Maximum	Minimum	Precipitation
Dec. 22	20	8	2.9 inches of snow
Dec. 23	23	-4	.35 inches of snow
Dec. 24	30	7	Cloudy
Dec. 25	41	29	Cloudy
Dec. 26	38	32	.04 inches of rain & snow
Dec. 27	43	29	.19 inches of rain
Dec. 28	33	28	1.01 inches of rain

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CANNERS & FREEZERS PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETS HERE

The Program Committee of the New York State Canners and Freezers Association will meet in Jordan Hall on January 6th. The Committee will meet with members of the Geneva staff and staff members from Ithaca to plan the program for the Fieldmen's School to be held at the Station on the 9th and 10th of February.

TO SET UP EXHIBIT IN MASSACHUSETTS

Leo Klein is leaving next Tuesday for Massachusetts to take a Station exhibit to the 66th Annual Meeting of the Massachusetts Fruit Growers Association. In addition to the Station exhibit on Apple Varieties Leo will give a talk on "The Apple and Peach Variety Situation".

STATION SCIENTISTS TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

The New York State Tomato Industry Conference will be held in Batavia on December 30th. This conference is called to get all the tomato growers in western New York, tomato processors, experiment station scientists, and extension service personnel together to discuss the problems and prospects in the Tomato Industry. The meeting is sponsored by Cornell University, The New York Cooperative Extension Service, and the New York State Canners and Freezers Association. Members of the Vegetable Crops Department, the Plant Pathology Department and interested people from other Departments will attend. Dr. Schroeder and Dr. Peck will present papers.

THE CALENDAR

The New York State Morgan Horse Club met at the Station last Sunday afternoon and the talented chorus of area SPEBSQSA clubs met Monday evening to round out the 1959 calendar of organizations using the Station as a meeting place. 1960 dates are already dotting the calendar, as follows:

- Jan. 6 N. Y. State Canners & Freezers Assoc. Committee to arrange program for 1960 Fieldmen's School
- Jan.15 Meeting of rural school districts in surrounding area
- Jan.21 Meeting of County Dog Warden's Association of Western New York
- Feb. 9 Annual Field Men's School sponsored by N. Y. State Canners & Freezers Association
- Feb.12 Meeting and luncheon of area beef cattle producers
- Feb.24 Meeting of National Red Sour Cherry Research Committee & 25
- Mar. 4 Bean Growers' Conferences & 11
- Mar.24 National Kraut Packers Association & 25

Then there are the winter meetings of the New York State Horticultural Society and the New York State Vegetable Growers Association in Rochester, January 19 to 22, and of the Horticultural Society in Kingston January 27 to 29.

JOAN MIDDLETON BREESE

Our sincerest sympathy to Mrs. Middleton and Tommy in their tragic bereavement.

STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETS IN ALBANY

The 128th meeting of the New York State Agricultural Society will be held in Albany on January 13th. The theme of the meeting this year will be "The Water Resources of the State of New York".

GREENHOUSE NOTES

Early Tuesday morning Leo Klein and Roger Way brought a crew into greenhouse 13 and started the annual job of digging the seedlings resulting from the controlled fruit crosses of the previous year. They have it well organized and expect to be finished at the end of the day. After being dug the seedlings will be graded and placed in a storage cellar until spring when they will be planted in the field. This year there are roughly 3500 apple seedlings, 1600 pear seedlings and 400 sweet cherry seedlings.

TO SPEND 2 YEARS WITH ARMY

Don Crosier enters the Army on January 13th for a two-year tour of duty. Don doesn't know yet where he will be stationed.

90 YEARS OLD

On January 5, 1960 Professor Emeritus Glenn W. Herrick will celebrate his 90th birthday. Friends and former students are invited to send cards and greetings.

INTERESTING PACKAGE FROM PHILADELPHIA

Claude Heit has received an interesting package from The Morris Arboretum. The package consists of 292 small packets of seeds. These seeds were sent in 1841 to a Mr. William Chew of Washington, D. C. by Dr. J. E. L. Fischer, Director of the Imperial Botanic Garden at St. Petersburg. Mr. Chew, formerly a secretary to the U. S. Embassy in Russia, was supposed to deliver the packets (there were 3 duplicates) to various individuals and institutions in this country. For some reason the seeds were never delivered and lay in a barn for over 100 years. Recently they came into the possession of the Morris Arboretum. They sent the seeds to Claude and wish him to see if any of the seeds will germinate. The package sent Claude is in its original condition as it left Russia 119 years ago and the letter inside the package is addressed to a Dr. William Booth of Boston. The seeds comprise many species of plants as grown in Botanic Gardens.

WEATHER NOTE

A combination of a slow drizzle and temperatures around the freezing point for the last several days have put a heavy coating of ice on everything and the shrubs and evergreens around the Station grounds are pretty flat. Fortunately there has been no wind and there appear to be no broken branches. The only excitement was a short circuit in the power line in front of the Director's residence caused by the weight of ice pulling a branch down on the wires. This caused clouds of smoke and sparks until the power company sent a crew to remove the branch.

NOTICE

For rent: A small, furnished house from April 1 through October 1960. See John Atkin.
