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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 14 June - 4:00 p. m. - Jordan Hall, Bon voyage tea for Dr. Pederson
- 14 - 7:47 p. m. - Staff room, Jordan Hall, District Boy Scouts
- 15 - 9:30 a. m. - Tour, 6th grade, Canandaigua Elementary School
- 17 - 1:00 p. m. - 4-H Award tour for Soil and Water Project members, Penna.
- 23 - 10 a. m. - Food Science, Dietetic Administration Interns of N. Y. S. Dept. of Mental Hygiene
- 24 - 1:00 p. m. - Training session for local public welfare districts
- 25 - 3:30 p. m. - Tour, Cub Scouts

## DR. AND MRS. PEDERSON LEAVE FOR THE PHILIPPINES

One of the Experiment Station's most distinguished and respected scientists, Dr. Carl S. Pederson, and his wife will leave Geneva June 15 and head for the Philippines where they will spend the next 2 years. All employees of the Geneva Station are cordially invited to attend a bon voyage tea at 4 p. m. in Jordan Hall on June 14 honoring this couple. We hope all of you will be able to attend. Keith Steinkraus has been asked to make the necessary arrangements for the tea.

Dr. Pete, as he is fondly known by his colleagues, has been a member of the Station staff for 40 years, and has devoted much of this time to studying fermentation processes of foods. His studies of fermentation processes of sauerkraut and pickles rank as classics in the field. However, he has also worked on fermentation problems with such foods as tomatoes and juices. During his highly successful career at the Station, Dr. Pete has published more than 200 scientific papers, many of which have led to direct improvements in processing methods in the food industry.

Among the numerous scientific societies to which Dr. Pederson belongs are

the American Society of Microbiology for which he is a Past Councilor at Large, a Fellow in the American Public Health Assoc. and he is one of the Founder Members of the Institute of Food Technologists. In community affairs, Dr. Pederson has been almost as active as in the scientific world. He has been an Elder in the Presbyterian Church for 33 years as well as being in the Club of Sessions and a Sunday School teacher. He has been active in the Boy Scouts of America since 1937, and is a Past Scout Master of Troop 4, he has been a member of the Executive Board, he holds the coveted Silver Beaver Award, he is a Past District Commissioner and Chairman, and has served on numerous Council committees. One of Dr. Pete's most cherished activities has been that of serving as Secretary for the District Handicapped Children's Camp Board which is a Rotary sponsored project. He has always been active in other affairs of the Geneva Rotary Club, he is a member of the Salvation Army Board, and has served on the Board of Health Advisory Committee.

Dr. Pederson and his wife have been asked to go to the Philippines as part of the cooperative project between Cornell University and the University of Philippines College of Agriculture located at Los Banos. This project is part of Cornell's International Agricultural Development Program. The project in the Philippines was started in 1963 and is known as the U. P. --Cornell Graduate Education Program. It is financed largely by the Ford Foundation with additional support from the Rockefeller Foundation. Under the plan, Cornell professors are assigned to the University of the Philippines for periods of 1 to 2 years. These professors aid in the teaching, research, and extension programs of the College of Agriculture, and assist in its development for the training of agricultural leaders for the Philippines. It also provides Cornell professors opportunities to pursue their own teaching and research programs in a new and different environment.

On behalf of the entire Station's staff, we wish Dr. and Mrs. Pederson the most successful of journeys, good health, and a profitable 2 years stay in the Philippines. We all look forward to their return to Geneva and the Geneva Station.

#### MRS. LILLIAN FISCHER HONORED

Mrs. Lillian Fischer, Seed Investigations, was honored at a Farewell Party on June 7 given by her fellow employees on the occasion of her retirement. Lillian has been in the Seed Department for 12 years and at the Station since 1943. We understand she plans on spending this summer traveling, fishing, and lying in her new hammock. Mrs. "Willie" Pedersen will take over the position vacated by Lillian.

#### NE 35 MEETS

The summer annual meeting of the NE 35 Technical Committee was held here and at Ithaca June 8-9. Morie Vittum, Nathan Peck, and Nelson Shaulis actively participated in the meeting held at our campus.

#### SUMMER EMPLOYMENT RISES

The Geneva Station is slowly reaching its peak summer employment level. Included with our summer help is Mr. A. N. Smith, a National Science Foundation Fellow, who plans to spend the summer working with Willard Crosier. He will study methods of bioassaying seeds and the sites of infection of diseased seeds. Mr. Smith is a science teacher in Lock Haven, Penna.

Terry Acree, a chemistry graduate student at Cornell, is again on our campus this summer working with Bob Shallenberger. Terry has completed all his course requirements for his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees. He will now spend most of his time in Geneva doing his thesis work.

Alan Tate, James Herbert, Ted Flood, Ferile Parmelee, and Stanley Rathbun are working this summer in the Vegetable Crops Department.

#### VISITORS

Besides our regular heavy influx of tours these past 2 weeks, there were a number of other visitors on our campus. Dr. Francisco Toledo, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil, spent this week visiting members of Seed Investigations. Dr. Toledo is an agronomy

instructor, and plans to establish a seed laboratory for teaching and research upon his return to Brazil next month. He has been at the Seed Technology Laboratory in Mississippi for the last 9 months.

Bob Wesselmann, who was in the Publications Department for several years, returned to Geneva for a brief visit earlier this week. He spent most of his time visiting with the many friends that he made while working at the Station. Bob will be returning to South Africa shortly.

J. B. Bester recently visited our Station and spent most of his time with Dan Farkas. Mr. Bester is making a tour of our country and is a resident of South Africa.

Representatives of General Foods Corporation, White Plains, New York spent yesterday visiting with members of the Food Science Department, and discussing the finer points of their research activities.

Dr. Jacek Dmoch, Warsaw, Poland, visited Entomology Wednesday.

#### MEETINGS

On June 9-10 both Morie Vittum and Nathan Peck attended the meeting of the Empire State Soil Fertility Association at Potato City, Penna.

Bette Nelson, Earle Waters, Willard Crosier, and Ben Clark plan to attend the annual meeting of the Association of Official Seed Analysts in Lexington, Kentucky next week. All four are chairmen of various committees that will meet during that week. In addition, Willard Crosier and Ben Clark will present research papers.

#### NUPTIALS

Congratulations are extended to Miss Marjorie Parrott who was married to Mr. Douglas M. Tepper on Saturday, June 5. Mrs. Tepper is a granddaughter of Dr. Percival J. Parrott, a former Director of the Experiment Station and prior to that Head of Entomology. We wish them every happiness.

#### NEW ARRIVAL

Bill Sherring is the proud father of a baby girl born June 4. Vital statistics: 7 lbs. 4-1/2 oz., 21" long, and named Kathryn Marie Sherring. Mother and daughter are doing fine. Bill is o.k. now, too.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our most sincere congratulations to Otis Curtis, IV and Cynthia Curtis for their fine academic achievements this past year in college. Mr. Curtis, a junior at Cornell University, was recently tapped for the Quill and Dagger Senior Honorary Society. Quill and Dagger is a leadership recognition society and is one of the most highly respected organizations on campus. He was also elected captain of the Varsity Soccer Squad for the coming season. Miss Curtis was graduated from the State University College at Cortland last Sunday cum laude. She was also one of the winners this year of the Donovan C. Moffett Memorial Scholarship. Both Otis and Cynthia have been summer employees in Entomology

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|              | Team | Score |
|--------------|------|-------|
| June 3 ----- | 4    | 23    |
|              | 1    | 5     |
| June 8 ----- | 1    | 15    |
|              | 3    | 13    |

WEATHER

|        | Maximum | Minimum | Rain |
|--------|---------|---------|------|
| 22 May | 80      | 50      |      |
| 23     | 77      | 47      | tr.  |
| 24     | 67      | 36      |      |
| 25     | 72      | 47      |      |
| 26     | 82      | 59      |      |
| 27     | 88      | 65      | tr.  |
| 28     | 81      | 49      | .04  |
| 29     | 67      | 46      | tr.  |
| 30     | 55      | 37      | tr.  |
| 31     | 60      | 37      |      |
| 1 June | 68      | 39      | tr.  |
| 2      | 59      | 48      | .19  |
| 3      | 57      | 41      | .54  |
| 4      | 61      | 36      |      |
| 5      | 70      | 40      |      |
| 6      | 78      | 50      |      |
| 7      | 85      | 64      |      |
| 8      | 86      | 61      | .02  |
| 9      | 82      | 59      | tr.  |
| 10     | 86      | 60      | .13  |
| 11     | 79      | 50      |      |

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