



STATION NEWS



"DON'T FORGET THE STATION BARBECUE"

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 19 - 5:30 - 8:00 p. m. - Station Club Barbecue

HEAR YE, HEAR YE--STATION BARBECUE WEDNESDAY

Another one of those excellent Station Club activities is rapidly approaching. The annual Station Club barbecue will be held Wednesday, July 19, on the lawn behind Hedrick Hall from 5:30 to 8 p. m. If it should rain, the barbecue will be held the following day at the same time.

There will be horseback rides for the children from 6:30 to 8, and chairman of the event, John Stamer, tells us the menu will include barbecued chicken, fresh garden peas, hot rolls, salad, ice cream, and punch. If you are a member of Station Club, the price is just 85¢, and for children under age 12 of Station Club members, the fee will be 50¢. Preschoolers can eat all they want as guests of the house. Maximum dinner charge per Station Club member family is \$5. Now, if there are a few on campus who are not members of Station Club, or should be bringing guests with them, the price of the dinner is \$1.25 and \$1 for children under 12.

The last 2 years this has been an extremely successful barbecue, during which time most of the Station family is able to get together, let its hair down, and really

enjoy itself. We know that this year's barbecue will be no different, and we encourage all Station employees to attend.

DR. JAMES CUMMINS JOINS POMOLOGY STAFF

We welcome to the Experiment Station Dr. James Nelson Cummins, who was appointed assistant professor of Pomology on July 1. Dr. Cummins comes to this institution with an extremely fine background and will assume responsibility for the leadership of several projects in the general area of nursery investigations, rootstocks, and tree size control.

Dr. Cummins was born and reared on a fruit farm in south central Illinois. He began work on his B.S. degree in horticulture at the University of Illinois, Urbana, in 1942, but in 1943 left to participate in American World War II activities in Europe. He returned to Urbana in 1946 and completed the requirements for his Bachelor of Science degree in 1948. He spent his last undergraduate semester at Cornell where he studied under Dr. Smock and Dr. Boynton. He served as executive secretary of the Illinois Fruit Council during its charter years and was secretary of the Illinois State Horticultural Society. Then, in 1951, Dr. Cummins participated in the Korean War, and, following his discharge 2 years later, bought an orchard in the Shawnee Hills of southern Illinois. In 1956, he and his wife had the unfortunate experience of the trees being completely destroyed by hail just before harvest, and Dr. Cummins, at this point, decided to teach high school chemistry. He began full time graduate study at the University of Wisconsin in 1960 as a National Science Foundation Fellow and then went to Southern Illinois University on a National Science Foundation Fellowship the following year. He received his M.S.E. degree from Southern in 1960 and his M.S. degree in botany and chemistry from the University of Wisconsin in 1961. He completed his Ph.D. degree requirements at Southern Illinois University in botany and plant diseases in 1966.

He is a member of Phi Eta Sigma and Phi Kappa Phi.

Dr. Cummins is married to the former Cindy Firebaugh and the couple has five children--James, 17; John, 13; Peter, 10; Stephen, 3; and Sarah, 1. They are residing at 665 Castle Street, Geneva.

Again, we welcome Dr. Cummins to the staff and know that his excellent background in teaching, public relations work, and his own personal experience as an orchardist will provide him with the necessary tools with which to conduct a sound research program in nursery investigations and tree size control.

DR. ROBERT E. DRURY APPOINTED RESEARCH ASSOCIATE IN SEED INVESTIGATIONS

Dr. Robert E. Drury has accepted an appointment as research associate in Seed Investigations and will assist Anwar Khan in his work on seed physiology. He received his B.S. degree in physics and mathematics from DePaul University in 1954, did postgraduate work at DePaul and Loyola Universities in biology and philosophy from 1959-1961, and then just recently received his Ph.D. degree from the University of Illinois. In his activities with Anwar Khan, Dr. Drury will be assisting in studies on nucleic acid and protein metabolism in seeds during dormancy and germination.

Dr. Drury resides at 56 Main Street, Geneva.

FOREIGN VISITORS

We are pleased to report that there has been a rather significant number of foreign visitors on our campus the past 2 weeks. The last part of June, Mr. J. van Kampen from the Netherlands spent 4 days with the people in Vegetable Crops learning as much as time would permit about our work on cabbage, snap

beans, tomatoes, peas, and onions.

Dr. Paul Torfs, professor of vegetable breeding and genetics, Louvain University, Belgium, spent 2 days this week visiting people in Vegetable Crops and Plant Introduction. Also on our campus this week was Mr. H. M. Groszmann, chief plant breeder in the horticultural branch of the Queensland Department of Primary Industries, Australia, who spent his time visiting scientists in Pomology and Vegetable Crops. He was primarily interested in research on peaches, plums, apples, and strawberries in the fruit line, and tomatoes, French beans, peas, and cucurbits in the vegetable field.

Finally, a group of eight persons from India and South America visited the Station Tuesday as part of the People to People program sponsored by the Rochester chapter. This is an international organization, and the group that was on our campus plans to be in the United States for about 6 months to learn as much as possible about U. S. methods of producing food economically.

FORMER STATION EMPLOYEE HAS ARTICLE IN AMA JOURNAL

Perhaps many of you read the article in the Geneva Times earlier this week regarding a paper that Lt. Commander John D. Tolmie, currently a member of the staff of the U. S. Naval Hospital in Philadelphia, authored and which appeared in a recent issue of the Anesthesiology Journal of the American Medical Association. Dr. Tolmie worked in the Station's Entomology Department for six summers (1952-1957), while attending Hobart and McGill Universities. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan A. Tolmie, 101 Highland Avenue.

SPECIAL RETIREMENT DINNER

Al Avens and Frank Lee were honored by the Department of Food Science and Technology on July 7 at a retirement dinner held at the Lafayette Inn.

NEW APPOINTMENTS

Miss Virginia Blinzler has been appointed research technician as of July 1, 1967 and will be working with Gil Mack. Virginia is a graduate of Alfred Agricultural and Technical College, class of 1967.

Mrs. Susan Woodward has been appointed laboratory technician as of July 1, 1967 and will be working with Len Mattick. Susan attended Alfred Agricultural and Technical College and was previously employed at General Dynamics in Rochester.

Additional summer help:

Food Science and Technology Department - Mason Gilbert, Penelope Fellows, Richard Emerman, and Peter Martin.

Entomology Department - Jeff Youngs

DEATH

The sympathies of the Experiment Station family are extended to George Valder, Pomology, whose mother passed away July 8.

NOTE OF INTEREST

Director Barton has received a card from the Steinkrauses postmarked Tokyo, indicating that the entire family is having, "a fabulous time." Their next stop, according to the card, was to be Hong Kong. You will recall that the Steinkrauses are on their way to the Philippines.

STATION BASEBALL RESULTS

May 23, Team 1 defeated Team 2 - 33-5
 May 25, Team 4 defeated Team 3 - 27-11
 May 31, Team 2 defeated Team 3 - 24-4
 June 6, Team 1 defeated Team 3 - 22-4
 June 8, Team 4 defeated Team 2 - 21-14
 June 15, Team 3 defeated Team 4 - 14-9
 June 20, Team 3 defeated Team 2 - 7-6
 June 22, Team 4 defeated Team 1 - 7-0 (forfeit)
 June 27, Team 3 defeated Team 1 - 12-9

All Star Game - June 28 - Summer Help defeated Permanent Help 24-20

Standings of First Half:

Team 1 - Won 2 games, lost 2 games
 Team 2 - Won 1 game, lost 3 games
 Team 3 - Won 3 games, lost 3 games
 Team 4 - Won 3 games, lost 1 game

SPECIAL NOTE

Just as Evelyn was typing this issue of Station News, a news release from the Office of Public Information on the Cornell campus crossed our desk which contains information of interest to all members of the Geneva faculty and staff. According to the release, W. Keith Kennedy, currently the associate dean of the College of Agriculture, has been named vice provost of Cornell University. Dean Kennedy's appointment will become effective September 1.

His primary task will be the coordination with the State University of New York of programs in the University's four statutory colleges. These are the New York State Colleges of Agriculture and Home Economics, the New York State School of Industrial and Labor Relations, and the New York State Veterinary College. In all there are 15 colleges and schools at Cornell; 11 are privately endowed and four are colleges established by the New York State Legislature.

I am sure that I can speak for all members of the Station family when I say that we offer the heartiest congratulations to Dean Kennedy on this promotion, and wish him great success in his new assignment.

WEATHER

	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Rain</u>
June 29	83	62	
30	70	55	.49
July 1	81	61	
2	90	67	tr.
3	85	63	.98
4	76	53	
5	74	55	.36
6	67	51	
7	73	53	
8	83	63	
9	83	68	
10	82	64	.35
11	83	68	.04
12	78	64	.39
13	85	58	.10
14	75	53	