

Station News

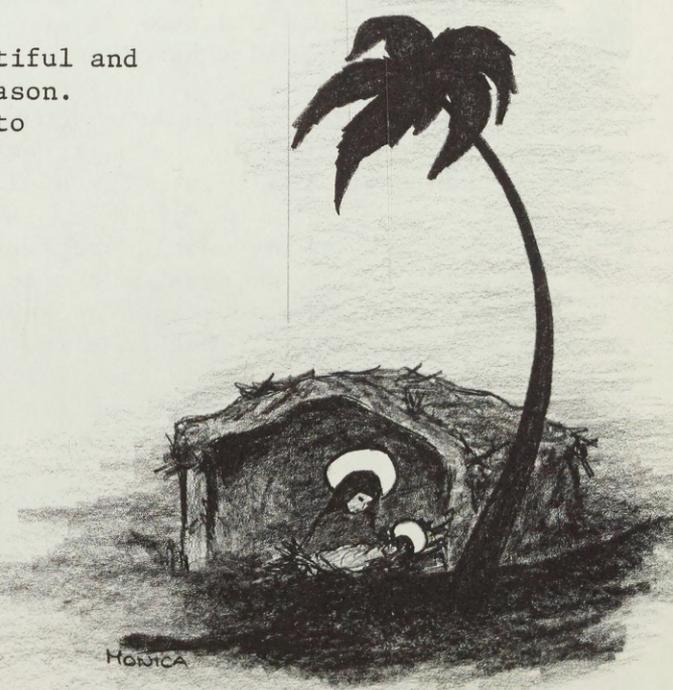
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CHRISTMAS--1968

Here it is once again, that most beautiful and special time of the year--the Christmas season. Cards are sent to those close friends and to those whom you seldom see anymore, but who still are frequently in your thoughts; children are unusually good with the hope that St. Nick soon will come with his gifts; adults busily go about their shopping, yet have you noticed that at this time of the year they always have time to say hello and to wish you a happy holiday season; and homes are transformed into beautifully decorated palaces.



MONICA

For just a few days out of the year, people almost forget that there are wars, riots, strikes, and extreme unrest in many parts of the world. It is a time of forgiveness and of giving to those whom you love and to others who may have less than you. It is, without question, a truly delightful and peaceful time of the year, but all too short in its duration.

Would it not be wonderful if the spirit of this holiday season could be extended throughout all the year? Just think what this would mean if people, both rich and poor, from all lands throughout the world could work and play in harmony for all time.

Yet, this is not to be this coming year, or the year after, or probably even the year after that. There will still be wars, there will still be riots, there will still be tragedy, there will still be bigotry, and there will still be unrest not only in the world, but in our own country, our own cities, and, on occasion, even in our own homes.

But, can we not take a lesson from the fact that for a few days each year we almost achieve what has been desired for nearly 2,000 years-- peace on earth, good will to all men? Someday, this will be a statement of fact rather than an objective which we are trying to achieve.

It happens once a year--someday it will happen all year.

As George Hodges once wrote: And thus was kept the first Christmas, the Christmas in the year one, with carols by the choir of heaven, and God's own Son, the Saviour of the world, coming as a Christmas gift for all mankind.

May we wish you the very happiest of holiday seasons and a prosperous, peaceful New Year.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 23, 1968 - 8:00 p.m. - Jordan Hall - SPEBSQSA
 30 - 10:00 a.m. - Tour - Mynderse Academy Science Club,
 Seneca Falls
 30 - 3:00 p.m. - Staff Room, Jordan Hall - Faculty Meeting
 January 3, 1969 - 7:30 p.m. - Lounge, Jordan Hall - Finger Lakes Chess Club

SANTA VISITS STATION

Decked out in his bright red suit with his full, white beard gaily bouncing as he yelled Ho, Ho, Ho, Santa made his annual visit to the Station Club Christmas party held in Jordan Hall Tuesday. From the number of people at the party, it certainly appeared to be one of the most successful affairs in many years. While the teen-agers gobbled pizza (including a few persons who reduced their age for the night by about 20 years) and the young fry ate ice cream and cookies and waited anxiously for the visit by St. Nick, the adults held their tea.

Helping to keep the young people entranced until Santa could make his appearance was a fine magic act. But, there is still no gayer sight than when Santa rolls into the auditorium in his sleigh filled with presents.

Many, many people are responsible for making the annual Christmas party such a success, but special thanks must go to Stan Shannon, chairman, and to his helpers such as Audrey Emmo, Charlotte McCarthy, Keith and Lillian Kimball, Bob LaBelle, Bob and Jan Butts, Virginia and Walt Wilkens, Pete DeMaria and his crew for their excellent decorations, Marilyn and Wendell Roelofs, Jean and Len Mattick, and it seems about 25 others as well. Congratulations to Station Club for another job well done.

"BEA" STOYLA ATTENDS NOBEL PRIZE CEREMONIES

At the special invitation of Dr. Robert Holley, recent recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize for Physiology and Medicine, "Bea" Stoyla was able to attend the beautiful and distinguished ceremonies in Stockholm, Sweden.

Many of you are perhaps aware that Bea was Dr. Holley's assistant when he was at the Station. Congratulations to Bea for being part of the total team that helped in some way to achieve this award, and a special thanks to Dr. Holley for remembering those who helped and worked with him through the years.

POSTDOCTORATE JOINS POMOLOGY

Piero Fiosino, a postdoctorate fellow from the University of Pisa in Italy, has joined the Pomology staff for a year to assist Jim Cummins with his rootstock research. Dr. Fiosino arrived in Geneva recently with his wife, two children, and mother. The family is residing at 19 Lyceum Street. The scientist is an assistant professor at the University of Pisa and has wide experience with rootstock propagation and with vegetative propagation of stone fruits, especially plum and peach.

This is the first of three individuals that will eventually be coming from Italy to spend some time at the Station with Jim Cummins.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATION

Gerald L. Green has accepted an appointment as a research technician in Food Science and Technology effective December 16. Gerry received his AAS degree in chemistry from Auburn Community College and attended the State University of New York at Buffalo for 1 year. For the past year, he has been serving as a Vista Volunteer in Austin, Texas. He lives in North Rose and will be working in the analytical chemistry section of the department.

Gary E. Goodman has been appointed a field assistant under Wilson Hey effective December 16. Gary is a resident of Phelps. Both his mother and aunt also work at the Station--his mother, June, in Seed Investigations, and his aunt, Mrs. Dorothy Morey, in Vegetable Crops.

Penelope Lynn resigned her position as laboratory assistant in Food Science effective the end of this month.

SLOWLY BUT SURELY

Slowly, but surely, Entomology and Plant Pathology people are moving into their new quarters. Right now, Ed Glass, Bob Gilmer, Dorothy Lynch, and Linda Jensen are the main occupants in the administrative wing, plus Ron Kuhr who is keeping store on the sixth floor. It is expected that the final move will take place within a few weeks after the first of the year.

HEALTH REPORT

We were most sorry to learn that Florence Updike fell Monday noon and broke her left ankle. She was walking down the steps at the Post Office when the accident occurred. Florence is in room 108 of the Geneva General Hospital and expects to remain there for a few days.

MEETING

Desmond Dolan attended a 3-day training session in automatic data processing at the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., December 4-6. The next week he attended a procedures conference of the New Crops Research Branch, Beltsville.

DEATHS

Sympathies of the entire Station family are extended to David and Margie Terry, Pomology, on the death of their daughter, Robyn, last week and to Rocco Polimeni whose father died November 27.

STATION CLUB PLANS LUNCHEON

Station Club is planning to sell freshly baked pizza for lunch sometime after January 1, 1969. The lunch will be held in the Food Science lunch room. Exact date of the affair and other details will appear in a future issue of Station News.

FOUND

One pair of black gloves with fur trim in Jordan Hall parking lot.
Contact Mary Lou Dumbleton if they are yours.

FOR SALE

Chevy 1968, 1/2 ton pickup truck with 3/4 box. Equipped with snow tires and regular tires. Box is covered with canvas. Driven about 1,000 miles.

Call 789-6963 after 5:30 p.m. for particulars or see Louis Bellomo, Greenhouse.

WEATHER

		<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Rain, Melted Snow, etc.</u>
December	7	30	26	
	8	32	20	.05
	9	25	8	.06
	10	13	5	
	11	15	1	
	12	29	5	
	13	41	42	
	14	49	30	
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	18	30	19	
	19	34	13	
	20	39	23	.05