



# STATION NEWS

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200 STRONG

The New York State Association of Teachers of Agriculture convene at Hobart College tomorrow for a three-day session. Starting off in the morning with words of greeting from Acting President Durfee of Hobart and from Director Heinicke, the group, expected to total around 200, will spend the remainder of the day on a series of tours of the Experiment Station. Messrs. Axinn, Brooks, Curtis, and McCulloch are acting as guides and 18 or 20 members of the Staff will meet the visitors on the tour and demonstrate phases of the Station's research program. Mr. Ralph Sutliff of the Department of Education will preside at the conference. The Food Science Division is also providing a program for the wives of the ag teachers next Saturday morning in Daguerre Hall when some new development in food science will be described and illustrated.

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#### FROM ROCHESTER

Today the Station is playing host to members of the Rochester Garden Center, an amalgamation of Rochester garden clubs. Mrs. Gilbert T. Amsden is the leader of the group.

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#### CANNING CROPS

Farm Bureau Canning Crops Committeemen, county agents, and the Agricultural Committee of the Association of New York State Cannerymen are meeting on the Canning Crops Farm today to view the field work of the Divisions of Vegetable Crops, Plant Pathology, and Entomology. The group will also visit other Station farms where work with canning crops is underway.

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#### LOOKING AHEAD

Two big dates in July will be the 20th and the 23rd. On July 20th, fruit growers from Michigan and Virginia who will be on a tour of New York fruit areas will converge on the Station and will be joined by members of the New York State Horticultural Society for the summer meeting of the latter. On July 23rd, the Northeastern Section of the American Phytopathological Society will hold its summer meeting at the Station.

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#### IN SPRINGFIELD

New York State and the Seed Division of the Experiment Station are ably represented at the annual meeting of the Association of Official Seed Analysts which is being held in Springfield, Ill., this week. Professor Munn heads the delegation from Geneva and will present the report of Editor of the Association's Proceedings. He is also giving papers on a 25-year hard seed soaking experiment and, jointly with Mr. Heit, on flower seed control problems. Doctor Crosier will report as chairman of the Research Committee, and, with Mr. Heit, will present a paper on fungi carried on flower seeds. Mr. Heit also presents a paper on germination of herb seeds. Miss Cullinan reports for the sub-committee on Analysis of Small Seeds.

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#### MR. van ALSTYNE RETIRES

Lewis van Alstyne is retiring tomorrow, at his own request, after twenty-two years in the Pomology Division. He was appointed to the Staff July 1st, 1926. In addition to his duties in the Station's horticultural program, Lewis was much in demand as a fruit judge at county fairs, the State Horticultural Society fruit shows, and elsewhere. For many years he supervised the Station's fruit exhibits. He was also charged with the general oversight of the ambitious landscaping program carried out here at the Station under the auspices of WPA. Our best wishes to "Van" as he "retires" to his home and garden on Castle Street.

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#### MRS. STEPANEK RESIGNS

Mrs. Charles Stepanek will terminate her services with the Vegetable Crops Division tomorrow and will be replaced by Miss Joanne Tills who recently completed a secretarial course at Alfred University.

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"Heathen--Folks who don't quarrel over religion."





## STATION TEAM JINXED?

Charlie (Speed Ball) Stepanek  
Reported Out of Line-up

Charlie (Speed Ball) Stepanek--Captain, Manager, Pitcher, Promoter, and Secretary-Treasurer for the Experiment Station Soft (very soft, please) Ball team--is said to have injured his bowl-----er-er pitching (?) arm throwing rocks. Not at Captain Shorty Robinson of the State Farm Soft Ball team, as at first reported, but at a troop of pheasants which invaded his experimental corn plots on Monday. He told a NEWS reporter that he definitely would be on hand, however, to coach and manage his cohorts.

When Captain Robinson heard the news, he said, "This is indeed bad news! Now we'll have to buckle down and really go to work. We were counting on laying bunts through the pitcher's box."

"Is zat so?" sneered Captain Stepanek.

"Yea, that's so!" retorted Captain Robbie.

"Sez you!" replied Speed Ball Stepanek, snappily.

"Sez me!" leered Cap Robbie.

At this point your reporter broke in to prevent blows being struck and asked for the rosters of the two teams for the game on Saturday, July 10th, with the following results:

### Experiment Station

Stepanek, Capt. & Mgr.  
Schroeder  
Foster  
Pew  
White  
Braun  
Shaulis  
Cain  
Cook  
Peck

### State Farm

Robinson, Capt. & Mgr.  
Vittum  
Young  
Hand (professional ringer)  
Axinn  
Einset  
Slate  
Dearborn  
Heit  
Rutchsky  
Eggert  
Gambrell

The starting line-ups will be announced the day of the game, but in the meantime both teams are urgently calling for more talent. Sign up with your favorite (if any) captain. Also, volunteer nurses, stretcher bearers, and blood donors are urged to stand by!

And about the Station picnic itself, the Committee requests that each person bring a covered dish with serving spoon. Also, please provide your own plates, cups, silverware, and buttered rolls. The Committee will provide coffee, milk, and ice cream. A full program of games and sports is being developed for youngsters from the cradle up to 12 years of age--and note this kids--everyone is going to win a prize! The date again--Saturday, July 10th--and the place, Cayuga Lake State Park.

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### FELICE-EMERY RITES

Miss Rosina Felice and Arthur Emery were married last Saturday and will be at home after this week at 435 Exchange Street. Our congratulations and best wishes!

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### LORENZ-PEDERSON

It was the second June wedding for the Pederson family when Miss Marjorie Lorenz and Donald Pederson were united in marriage last Saturday in Melrose, Massachusetts. The young couple will make their home in Rochester where Don is attending the University of Rochester Medical School.

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### AMONG THE VISITORS

Among last week's visitors was O. B. Pedersen, agricultural attache of the Danish Embassy in Washington. Mr. Pedersen has routed several of his countrymen to Ithaca and Geneva and while in this area on a vacation trip with his family stopped in to see something of the place. He was so impressed with his brief glimpse that he plans to return for a week's stay. Also in Geneva recently to call on Dr. Carpenter was Dr. R. M. Archibold, formerly of Johns Hopkins University, who was on his way to take over a position at the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research in New York. He is to succeed Doctor Donald Van Slyke, well known here, who is retiring.

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### DR. CONN NAMED EMERITUS

By recent action of the Board of Trustees, Doctor Conn was named Professor Emeritus of Cornell University. Doctor Conn retired May 1st to devote his full time to the affairs of the Biological Stain Commission.

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