

STATION NEWS

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WEEK'S WEATHER

	Maximum	Minimum	Precipitation
Jan. 20	39	16	Cloudy
Jan. 21	53	29	.59 inches rain
Jan. 22	30	12	.02 inches rain
Jan. 23	16	2	.2 inches of snow
Jan. 24	31	4	.1 inches of snow
Jan. 25	26	-7	2 inches of snow
Jan. 26	21	-7	Fair

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Geneva, N. Y.

GENEVA AT KINGSTON

Station personnel pretty well dominate the program today at the eastern meeting of the State Horticultural Society in Kingston. Lead-off man again is Doctor Chapman, with a repeat performance of his Syracuse discussion of the mite problem. He will be followed by Ralph Dean, Ed Glass, Bud Palmiter, and Otis Curtis. Chick Forshey of the Hudson Valley Laboratory will participate in a discussion on improving apple quality at the Friday morning session. Ithaca and Geneva have joined forces as usual in educational exhibits.

AWARDED WILDER MEDAL

The Wilder medal, oldest and one of the most highly prized awards in American horticulture, was presented to the New York State Fruit Testing Association, which has its headquarters here at Geneva, at the annual banquet of the New York State Horticultural Society in Syracuse last Thursday, January 22nd.

The award was made in recognition of the Association's forty years of testing and promoting new varieties of fruit.

Presented by former Director of the Vineland, Ontario, Canada, horticultural experiment Station, E. F. Palmer, who is also a director of the American Pomological Society which sponsors the award, the medal was received on behalf of the Fruit Testing Association by its manager, Henry Bennett.

RETURNS FROM OTTAWA

Doctor E. H. Smith, serving as program chairman for the Entomological Society of America, has returned from Ottawa where he conferred with the program chairman of the Entomological Society of Canada. The two societies will meet jointly for the first time in the history of the two groups in Detroit in 1959. Ed's daughter, Janet, flew along for the plane ride and visited with her grandparents.

ATTENDS CONFERENCE IN NEW JERSEY

Freeman McEwen has returned from attending a symposium on the use of micro-organisms in insect control. The meeting was held in Branchburg, N. J. It was sponsored by the Merck Company and attended by insect pathologists from all over this country and Canada.

TO ATTEND SYRACUSE MEETING

Claude Heit is leaving Thursday to attend a meeting of the New York Section of the Society of American Foresters in Syracuse.

SMALL FRUIT SCHOOL MEETS THURSDAY

The small fruit school will be held in West Webster, N. Y. on Jan. 29th. Doctor Schaefer, Doctor Tomkins, and Professor Slate are on the program. Each will speak on several topics connected with small fruit varieties and culture.

ATTEND COMMITTEE MEETING IN ROCHESTER

Dr. Pederson and Dr. Hand will attend a meeting of the Tomato Committee of the New York State Canners and Freezers Association in Rochester this week. The meeting was called to discuss the amending of the Food and Drug Act to allow the use of citric acid or lemon juice as an additive to tomato juice to prevent spoilage, and to the additive of ascorbic acid to tomato juice to boost vitamin C content.

VISITORS

Dr. Sherf, plant pathologist at Ithaca, and Dr. W. Blaszcak, a Rockefeller scholar from Poland, currently working at Cornell, visited the Station Friday. Dr. Blaszcak is a plant pathologist who is primarily interested in virus diseases. They spent their time with the Station plant pathologists.

LEAVE FOR THE WEST ON SATURDAY

The Barton's are leaving Saturday for Oregon via California. Don will spend a sabbatical year at Oregon State College, Corvallis. He will do fundamental genetic research on peas at Corvallis and will study pea production problems throughout the pea production areas of Washington and Oregon. Don is so cramped for space in the station wagon that it is rumored he will leave behind all his fishing gear. The Barton's will be back home by March 1, 1960.

FINSETS GETTING SETTLED

The Pomology Department has a letter from the Finsets. They have moved from a hotel to a furnished house in Santiago. School does not start until March so John will have time to look over the fruit industry of Chile before he gets involved in teaching.

NEW ARRIVAL

The Powells have a son, David Loyd, born Thursday, January 22nd, at 10 A. M. 8 pounds, 9 ounces. Everybody is doing fine. Loyd is taking a lot of kidding about his arithmetic. He missed a tax exemption for 1958 by 22 days.

RESIGNATION

Ann Clark has resigned her position as lab assistant in the Food Science Department. Ann's husband graduated from Hobart and they will return to Mass. where he has a job.

NOTICE

You still have plenty of time to give your imagination free play if you're planning a costume (optional) for the coming "Friday the Thirteenth" party. Superstition, bad luck, etc., the field is wide open.

CONVALESCING

George Rickey came home from the hospital on Saturday. He is getting along fine.

EASY AS FALLING OFF A LOG

Arlene Carr had an unusual accident last week. She kicked herself in the nose. We're putting this notice in the Station News to save Arlene a lot of explanations -- you know the comments. "Did you forget to duck", or "Walk into a door", etc. Arlene's comment, "It's easy when you're wearing skis".
