BETTER SEEDS

Mr. Munn accompanied Mr. Bruce Jones of Hall, President of the New York State Seed Improvement Association, to Ithaca Monday for a conference with representatives of the College of Agriculture and the State Department of Agriculture and Markets on a State seed program.

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# GOING TO WATERVILLE

Mr. Harlan plans to visit the Station's experimental hop yard near Waterville this week and to make a survey of plans for the coming season among hop growers in that region. A recent importation of 25,000 hop roots from Oregon will make possible a considerable increase in plantings this season.

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#### ASKING FOR MORE

Mr. Luckett went to Albany yesterday to attend a meeting of representatives of State institutions for allotment of funds for State Fair exhibits. Having taken a very substantial cut in its allotment three years ago, the Station will ask for an increase this year in view of considerable unavoidable expense incidental to moving into the new horticultural building at Syracuse. While a generous appropriation has been made for the construction of this new building, the appropriation does not provide for equipment and for such details as background, tables, partitions, water connections, and the like. Hence the plea for more funds.

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### ENCOURAGING REPORTS

The latest word from the Einsets is that Buddy is doing even better than the doctors hoped for following an emergency operation some ten days ago. Every day now increases his chances for a complete recovery.

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## ALUMINUM SILICATES

## JUST OFF THE PRESS

The printer has delivered the following publications within the past few days:

Bul. No. 678. Recent Investigations on the Control of Cedar-apple Rust in the Hudson Valley. J. M. Hamilton.

Tech. Bul. No. 239. Mastitis: IV. Composition of Milk as Affected by Latent Mastitis. A. C. Dahlberg, J. J. Kucera, J. C. Hening, and G. J. Hucker.

Tech. Bul. No. 241. Mastitis: V. The Presence of Mastitis Streptococci in Bovine Mammary Tissue. G. J. Hucker.

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# BACK ON THE JOB

Mr. Douglas Greenwood and Mr. James Walker have returned for another season in the Entomology Division. Mr. Greenwood, a graduate of the School of Forestry at Syracuse, will assist Mr. Hartzell and Dr. Hervey, while Mr. Walker, who hails from Ohio State University, will again work with Dr. Daniel.

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HEADED FOR CUBA But it's Cuba, New York, this time. Dr. Kelly and Mr. Marquardt will attend the 28th annual meeting of the Western New York Cheese Association at Cuba tomorrow. Both of them are appearing on the program. \*\*\*\*\*\*\* ENROUTE TO MAINE Four members of the faculty of Michigan State College spent a few hours at the Station over the week-end on their way to Orono, Maine, to participate in farm week at the College of Agriculture. The group included Dr. G. M. Trout, Dr. C. F. Huffman, Dr. C. W. Duncan, and Dr. Sykes. \*\*\*\*\* PRESIDENT NORTON Congratulations are in order for Dr. L. B. Norton upon his election to the Presidency of the Pastime Bowling League for the season of 1937-38 at the annual banquet of the League last week. Dr. Norton, who served as captain of the Station team in the League this past season, and Mr. Pearce won substantial cash prizes for records hung up during the season, with a modest prize also going to the team as a whole. The Station team finished in sixth place for its first season in the League which includes teams from Seneca Castle, Gorham, Phelps, Stanley, and Hall. Other members of the Station team are Harman, Moore, Jenkins, Hammer, and Baker. Here's for more power next time! \*\*\*\*\*\*\* EASTER VACATIONS Station folks reported on vacations ranging from a week-end to several days include the Conns, the Wellingtons, the Tukeys, Dr. Sanborn, and Dr. Norton. And of course the Carpenters who were heard from just before they set sail for their West Indies cruise. \*\*\*\*\*\* SLOWLY IMPROVING Mr. John Campbell is reported to be slowly recovering from his recent bout with a couple of the Station cows when he sustained painful injuries. While he is not able to do much in the way of milking, he is back on his job and doing what he can around the barn. \*\*\*\*\*\*\* SPEAKING OF MILKING Mention of cows reminds us that the suggestion was made the other day by a newspaper correspondent who was discussing this and that about Station publicity that a picture of one of the dairy "Professors" milking a cow would make an excellent basis for a story to the effect that the men at Geneva who tell the farmers what to do know what they are talking about from actual experience. And so the call may go out some day for volunteers to uphold the good name of the Station in the eyes of the public. \*\*\*\*\*\* MILK TASTERS Newspaper accounts frequently run to considerable length about tea tasters and wine tasters and the like, but thus far milk tasters have not received much attention Mr. Hening and Mr. Marquardt, cooperating with the Department of Agriculture and Markets are in the milk tasting business in a big way, their total running to something like 3,000 samples annually. To keep in trim, they alternate at this task and this week Mr. Marquardt will spend two days in Ithaca tasting the States's best, and worst. in milk. \*\*\*\*\*\*\* THE YOUNGEST PROFESSORS The College of Home Economics at Ithaca has announced the arrival of its two newest and youngest "professors" in the persons of four-months-old Mary and Martha, identical twins, who have been "loaned" to the College to aid in studies on the feeding and care of infants. So alike in appearance were the two when they arrived at the College that it was necessary to paint the toe nails of one to distinguish her from her sister. Now, however, a mole has been discovered on Martha or Mary so that it is no longer necessary to use paint. The twins will reside at their new home for the remainder of the term. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*