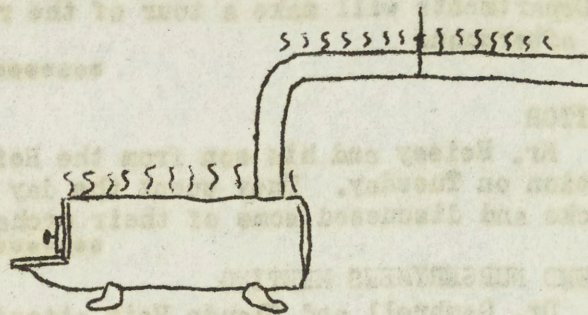
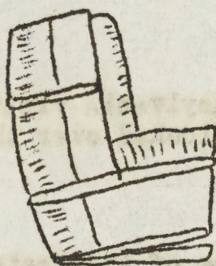


# STATION NEWS



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## WEEK'S WEATHER

	Maximum	Minimum	Precipitation
Jan. 19	34	22	.7 inches of snow
Jan. 20	28	21	.7 inches of snow
Jan. 21	27	19	.2 inches of snow
Jan. 22	27	21	.2 inches of snow
Jan. 23	30	19	Trace of snow
Jan. 24	34	15	Trace of snow
Jan. 25	33	16	Fair

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## A TRIBUTE TO THE DIRECTOR

"Tribute to Arthur John Heinicke—Teacher, Scientist, Administrator". Thus reads the caption to an award made to Doctor Heinicke last Thursday evening as a highlight of the annual meeting of the New York State Horticultural Society, the Empire State Potato Club, and the New York State Vegetable Growers Association. The beautifully illuminated and hand-inscribed document bears the signatures of the Presidents of the three organizations and testifies to the high esteem in which the recipient is held by the fruit and vegetable growers of the State. The presentation was made by the Honorable Don Wickham, Commissioner of Agriculture. The general consensus of opinion of growers attending the four-day session was that the meetings and exhibits were highly satisfactory, and so far as the fruit growers are concerned it is to be Rochester again in 1961.

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## NEW VARIETY WELL ADAPTED TO PO VALLEY

Dr. Gianpaolo Silvestre, one of the Italians who visited the Station in September 1958 recently wrote about the results of his trial planting of the Geneva 11 tomato. He was interested in this Station tomato and took some seeds back with him to test. He writes: "From the data obtained in 1959, the variety Geneva 11 is far superior to other varieties tested for productivity and for industrial purposes, and shows the best adaptation to the environment of the Po Valley, the most fertile region of North Italy." Dr. Silvestre wants to introduce it on a larger scale in this region and is asking for 5 pounds of seeds. Dr. Silvestre is at the Experimental Station for the Food Preservation Industry at Parma, Italy. The variety Geneva 11 is highly productive and resistant to verticillium wilt and late blight. It was developed here at the Station by Drs. Schroeder and Tapley.

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## HOME FROM 6 MONTHS SABBATIC

Dr. Crosier arrived home last Sunday from a 6 months Sabbatic leave in Virginia and the West Coast. Doc spent 2½ months in the Seed Lab of the Department of Plant Industry at Richmond, Va. and the balance of his sabbatic at the Asgrow Research Center in Twin Falls, Idaho, with side trips all over the West and out to Hawaii.

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## TO ATTEND VEGETABLE SCHOOL

Dr. Vittum, Dr. Davis, and Dr. McEwen will attend a meeting at the Orleans Vegetable School next Friday. Dr. Vittum will present a talk on "Irrigation and Fertilizers for Snap Beans, Sweet Corn, Cauliflower, and Broccoli". Dr. Davis will speak on "Cabbage Looper Control on Crucifers".

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## SEED INSPECTORS MEET

The annual seed inspectors' meeting will be held in Jordan Hall on Wednesday, February 3. Attending will be State seed inspectors, Bill Ozard from the Department of Agriculture and Markets, and Dr. Clark and Dr. Hofer from the Station. The meeting was called to plan the details of the 1960 seed inspection and testing program.

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## HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS MEET IN ITHACA

There will be a dinner meeting of the Heads of Departments of the Ithaca and Geneva Campuses of the College of Agriculture on Tuesday, February 2. The Heads of Departments will make a tour of the research facilities at the College during the afternoon.

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## VISITOR

Mr. Heisey and his son from the Heisey Orchards in Pennsylvania visited the Station on Tuesday. They spent the day with Karl Brase and looked over the root stocks and discussed some of their orchard problems.

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## ATTEND NURSERYMENS MEETING

Dr. Gambrell and Claude Heit attended the winter meeting of the Western New York Nurserymen's Association in Rochester last Friday.

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## ATTENDING MEETINGS

Bob LaBelle left on Monday for Detroit to attend a Cherry Growers' Meeting.

Dr. Cain was in New York City Monday and Tuesday attending a meeting of the Technical Committee of Regional Project NE 39.

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## PETER JENSEN

The Station extends its sympathy to the Jensen family on the death of Peter Jensen last week at the home of his daughter in Geneva. He was 94 years old.

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## CHANGE OF PLANS

Bob Wessellmann stopped in Geneva this last weekend on his way to Michigan State where he will take a two weeks training course. He has been in Washington for several weeks for an orientation course. His next tour has been changed from Argentina to Haiti. At the end of his training in Michigan he and Anita and the girls will drive to Miami and from there fly to Haiti.

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## ROGER BLEDSOE

Word was received in the Pomology Department Monday of the death from a heart attack of Doctor Roger W. Bledsoe, Associate Director of the Florida Experiment Station. He marked his 52nd birthday last week. Roger served as Assistant Professor in the Pomology Department here from January 1946 to November 1947. His field was plant physiology. He went from here to the Florida Experiment Station as Agronomist at that institution and in 1954 was named Associate Director of the Experiment Station. He was the recipient of the 1950 Scientific Research Award of the Oak Ridge Institute for Nuclear Studies. He is survived by his wife and four children.

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## "LUCKY" WINNER

Bob LaBelle was the lucky winner of a basket of party "goodies" given away at the Hort Show last Friday. We say "Lucky" because Bob wasn't there to receive his prize and it was picked up by Joanne Whitcombe and five character witnesses from the Station. There was a strong inclination to have a party, especially when Bob was paged as from the New York State Agricultural Extension Station.

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## BACK FROM FLORIDA VACATION

Marge Martin is back at her desk after two weeks in Florida. They spent the time driving around looking at the scenery and visiting friends. He thought that Marge would get lots of fishing in but she says no.

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