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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Nov. 25-26 - College of Agriculture, Cornell University - Tour by New York Legislators
- 25 - 10:00 a.m. - Sheraton Hotel, Rochester - Planning Session, N. Y. State Horticultural Society Winter Meetings
- 27 - 1:00 p.m. - Auditorium, Jordan Hall - Finger Lakes Law Enforcement Agency Crime School
- 27 - 3:30 p.m. - Staff Room, Jordan Hall - Plant Science Seminar - "Potential of Beans as a High Protein Vegetable," M. Dickson
- 27 - 7:30 p.m. - Conference Room, Jordan Hall - Finger Lakes Stamp Club
- Dec. 2 - 8:00 p.m. - Mrs. D. W. Barton's Home - Ceres Circle
- 3 - 10:30 a.m. - Tour - Rochester Audio Visual Bus, Rochester Elementary Schools
- 4 - 10:30 a.m. - Auditorium, Jordan Hall - N. Y. State Department of Health Air Pollution Hearing
- 6 - Noon - Lafayette Inn - Department Heads Meeting
- 6 - 7:30 p.m. - Lounge, Jordan Hall - Finger Lakes Chess Club

NEW YORK LEGISLATORS TOUR ITHACA AND GENEVA CAMPUSES

On Monday and Tuesday, some of the key New York State Legislators interested in agriculture will be given a special tour and review of the College of Agriculture's program in extension, teaching, and research. The tour will begin Monday afternoon with the group getting an aerial view of the Ithaca and Geneva campuses. They will be shown the north end of Cayuga Lake, then continue on to the sugar refinery, and from there will fly over the Geneva campus and experimental farms, the Aurora farm, and then return to the Ithaca area. The rest of the afternoon will be spent at the Phase I control chamber on the Ithaca campus. That night there will be a dinner at which time the University and College will officially welcome the group, and a panel of students will discuss activities in which they are participating in the College.

The next morning, they will have a rather concentrated tour of the Ithaca campus with various demonstrations, one of which will be a discussion by Wendell Roelofs of his sex pheromone research. Special brochures are being prepared for the Legislators so that they can have as complete an idea of the program of the Colleges and how it serves the people of New York State.

CERES CIRCLE MEETS DECEMBER 2

Want to pick up some good ideas on how to decorate your home for Christmas? If so, be sure and attend the next meeting of Ceres Circle Monday, December 2, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Barton. This special Christmas program will be presented by Mrs. Martin Hayes. Mrs. Larry Kelts is program chairman and Mrs. Robert Gilmer hostess.

SIGMA XI SETS SCHEDULE

Sigma Xi has arranged two outstanding lectures in the coming months so be sure and mark them on your calendar now. First lecture is Wednesday, December 11, at 10:30 a.m. in the staff room of Jordan Hall. Dr. Frits Went, Director, Desert Research Institute, University of Nevada, Reno, will discuss "Plants in the Chemical Environment." Dr. Went is world famous for his pioneering contributions in studying plant growth regulators and determining environmental factors influencing the growth of plants. Additional information will be mailed you shortly by the officers of Sigma Xi on this lecture.

Then, on Wednesday, March 19, 1969, at 8 p.m. in Jordan Hall, Sigma Xi National Lecturer Prof. Hans A. Panofsky will speak on "Meteorological Effects on Air Pollution."

Officers of Sigma Xi for this year are Charlotte Pratt, president; Clara Splittstoesser, secretary-treasurer; and Mike Dickson, Ada Hill, Anwar Khan, J. S. Klein, and Don Ourecky are other members of the executive committee.

PLANT SCIENCE COUNTY AGENT TRAINING SCHOOL HELD

The annual plant science county agent training school was held November 18-22 on the Ithaca campus. Participating in this school from our campus were Stan Shannon, Mike Dickson, Nathan Peck, Bob Gilmer, John Natti, Mike Szkolnik, John Gilpatrick, Ed Glass, Sig Lienk, and Henry Bennett.

MEETINGS

Nathan Peck attended the American Society of Agronomy meetings at New Orleans November 10-14.

John Bourke attended the NE-53 Technical Committee meeting November 18-21. This meeting was held at the University of Maryland, College Park. While attending this meeting, he took the opportunity to tour the facilities of the university and also the Agricultural Research Center at Beltsville.

Desmond Dolan and Sam Braverman attended the annual meeting of the Northeast Division, American Phytopathological Society at Amherst, Massachusetts November 7-8. Sam coauthored a paper entitled "Storage of Helminthosporium, species in seeds of small grains."

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

Brenda John resigned her position as head secretary and stenographer in the Regional Plant Introduction Station November 20. She is moving to Omaha, Nebraska and plans to take a course in interior decorating.

Appointed to fill the position vacated by Brenda is Miss Dona Nedrow of Clifton Springs. Dona has a fine farm background and has shown many of her father's Guernseys in county fairs. She is not a new employee of Cornell since at one time she worked for a year with Prof. Albrechtsen, Department of Animal Science, on the Ithaca campus.

Linda Lee Taylor has been appointed a laboratory worker in the Entomology Department effective November 18.

Alan B. Comstock has accepted an appointment to a research position in Food Science effective November 18. Alan lives in Penn Yan and received his B.S. degree from Cornell University. He will be working with Jim Moyer.

Virginia Briggs and Karen Knibloe have been appointed to temporary service positions in Food Science for 5 weeks. Both are students at Keuka College and are using this time to fulfill their work experience requirement. Virginia, who was here last year, is working with Don Splittstoesser and Karen with Walt Wilkens and Ada Hill.

As you know, for the past several years, Food Science has been co-operating with the Rochester Institute of Technology in a work-study program for chemistry and biology students. Beatrice Oakes recently completed the work phase of her program and now has been conferred a B.S. degree in chemistry. At the moment, her future plans are indefinite.

VISITORS

Mr. Enrique Rotstein from Bahia Blanca, Argentina visited Don Downing, Bob LaBelle, Jim Moyer, and George Saravacos in Food Science November 19-21. Mr. Rotstein is a chemical engineer of the new pilot plant facilities at the Universidad Nacional del Sur where applied research in apple processing is being initiated. Apparently, preserving apples by freezing has been successful in Argentina in these studies, but canning and dehydration of apples resulted in unexpected changes in color and texture. The scientist has been touring apple producing areas in this country and Canada and before returning to Argentina will visit England, Switzerland, and Italy. As an interesting sidenote, Mr. Rotstein has been exposed to real snow, and he has been pondering the problem of how to take some home with him to fill a request from his children.

Another visitor in Food Science was Dr. Pascal Ribereau-Gayon who is with the Enology and Agricultural Chemistry Laboratory, University of Bordeaux, France. He was here November 18 and 19 reviewing our enology program and at the same time, along with several members of the Food Science staff, visited wineries in the area.

HEALTH AND HAPPINESS

We are delighted to learn that Marion Holland is able to move around a little since her accident and hopes to return to the office before long.

Another entomologist who has been on the sick list is Helen Melious, and she has now returned to work following an operation.

It is also a pleasure to see Bill Burris back on the job in Food Science. Bill fractured his left femur on August 10 and spent several weeks in traction at Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital in Penn Yan.

WEATHER

	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Rain, Melted Snow, etc.</u>
November 9	42	35	.10
10	43	32	.12
11	38	34	.07
12	41	32	
13	34	27	.36
14	33	27	tr.
15	40	32	.05
16	50	33	.33
17	40	30	.25
18	48	31	.15
19	53	33	.01
20	35	25	.02
21	34	27	tr.
22	42	26	.07