

# The Station News

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Geneva, N. Y.

SCHOOL DAYS: Over a hundred field men employed by the members of the Association of New York State Cannery Canners and others interested in the growing of canning crops will complete their course of study today in the eighth annual "school" being held in Jordan Hall this week. Those responsible for the program and directly concerned with the meeting seem to be well pleased with the response on the part of the canners. The program for today follows:

9:00 A. M.

Field and Cannery Yields for Whole Kernel and Cream Style Corn - Mr. Sayre.  
Inbred and Crossbred Corn - Dr. R. A. Emerson - Cornell University.  
Coloring in Beets - A. L. Murphy - Geneva Preserving Company.  
Control of Carrot Rust Fly - Dr. Glasgow.

1:30 P. M.

Bean Varieties for Canning - Mr. Tapley.  
Copper Seed Treatment for Damping Off of Tomatoes - Dr. Horsfall.  
Field and Canning Tests of Yellow Varieties of Corn - Mr. Sayre.

DISTINGUISHED: Among the out-of-state visitors who are attending the canners school "SCHOLARS" : and who have also taken the opportunity to renew friendships about the Station are H. R. Smalley, representative of the National Fertilizer Association at Washington, D. C.; Dr. C. G. Woodbury, Director of the Raw Products Research Laboratory of the National Cannery Association, Washington, D. C.; and Mr. A. D. Radebaugh of the Research Laboratory of the American Can Company, with headquarters at Chicago.

DEAN NYE : The Staff listened to an interesting and entertaining discussion of APPRECIATED : "Marginal Farming" by Dean R. L. Nye of the School of Agriculture at Syracuse University last Monday afternoon. Pointing out the handicaps to the good farmer of the operation of marginal farms by poor or indifferent farmers and the competition of farming with big business, Dean Nye proceeded to draw a picture of the future when corporation farming would wholly or in large part replace individual farm enterprises. If such a time should ever come, he said, the individual would find a place in the organization where his special abilities could be used to the best advantage, as for example in production, sales, management, etc. The Dean's remarks were at least provocative of speculation as to the future of agriculture in the United States.

A SAD LOSS: The Station community was shocked by the sudden death last week of Mrs. John Gilbert, following a brief illness. Mr. Gilbert has been in the employ of the Station about a year as helper in the dairy barn, and during that time has suffered a number of misfortunes, including a siege in the Geneva General Hospital a few months ago when he underwent an appendicitis operation. Left with three small children, he will have the heartfelt sympathy of all in this most distressing bereavement.

CONFERENCES : The entire Division of Vegetable Crops, including Messrs. Sayre, IN ITHACA : Tapley, Enzie, and Traphagen, will go to Ithaca tomorrow for a conference with the Department of Vegetable Gardening at the College on the projects of the two groups. This is an annual event, usually held at about this time of year. Dr. Hucker conferred with members of the Dairy Department at Ithaca last Tuesday.

A PLEASANT : The Bacteriological Division has again received recognition abroad for ASSIGNMENT : its work thru Dr. Herman Herz of the Danish Government at Copenhagen, Denmark. Dr. Herz writes that a number of Professor Orla-Jensen's friends are to honor him this summer on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of his joining the staff of his institution by issuing a "Festival Paper". All printing and expenses are to be borne by the Danish Government, and certain men in the dairy field are being asked to contribute chapters to this book, including Dr. G. J. Hucker who has been invited to write the chapter on "The Lactic Acid Bacteria". Dr. Orla-Jensen visited this Station last fall while in the United States as the guest of honor at the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the New Jersey Experiment Station.

STILL : An urgent request is being made for any information concerning the MISSING : following missing volume belonging to the library:  
Journal of Agricultural Research, Vol. 30, (1925).



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THEY LIKE: Cards received at the Station recently from Dr. and Mrs. Breed state that  
FLORIDA : they are enjoying their vacation in Florida. According to schedule, they  
-----: are now turning toward home, and Dr. Breed plans to be back in his office  
next Monday morning.

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IT WILL SOON: Members of the Bacteriological Division were in Ithaca last Thursday  
BE DR. KELLY: afternoon to hear Mr. C. D. Kelly formally present his thesis before  
-----: the seminar in the Department of Dairy Industry. Mr. Kelly, who spent  
last year in Geneva, is finishing up his work for his doctor's degree at Cornell.  
His studies have been along the line of the relation of bacteria in cheese to its  
flavor.

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SEEK HELP : Representatives of the Wetmiller Dairy from Cohocton, N. Y., spent some  
-----: time last Tuesday conferring with the members of the Bacteriological  
Division on problems pertaining to their milk supply.

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OVER WEAI : The Station will have two speakers over WEAI during the week of March 4,  
-----: with Mr. Sayre speaking on Friday on "The Importance of Early Planting  
in Growing Peas"; and with Dr. Rankin on Monday on "Disease-free Raspberry Stock."

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A NOTED : Professor Kerr, better known as "Andy" Kerr, coach at Colgate University,  
COACH : will be the speaker at the University Club next Monday evening, following  
-----: a supper scheduled for 6:30.

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MRS. JAHN: Mrs. Herman Jahn and her two children will sail tomorrow on the Europa for  
TO SAIL : a visit of several months at her home in Germany. Mr. Jahn accompanied  
-----: his family to New York to see them safely aboard ship and on their way.

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DR. MAYNARD: Dr. L. A. Maynard of the Department of Animal Husbandry at Cornell is to  
HERE FRIDAY: be the speaker at the Chemistry Division seminar next Friday afternoon.  
-----: Dr. Maynard's topic will be "Lipid Metabolism in Lactation." There will  
be no seminar for the horticultural group this week because of the canners school.

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THAT SICK: It is somewhat disconcerting, (we almost said disappointing) to compile a  
LIST : list of ailing members of the Staff and then on the day we go to press  
-----: meet the supposed invalids on the street apparently in the best of health.  
We are grateful for their recovery, however, but regret that several names accumulat-  
ed during the past week cannot now adorn these pages. Those who are "officially"  
sick, however, and who should at least remain indoors until we can list them as such  
include Mr. Daniel, Dr. Carpenter, Mr. Collison, and Mr. Sweeney. We hope that all  
of these will soon be well on the road to recovery.

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FARM BUREAU: Mr. Parrott is to be one of the speakers at a meeting of Orleans County  
MEETINGS : fruit growers to be held in Albion next Monday under the auspices of the  
-----: Farm Bureau. Mr. Tukey reports a most enthusiastic meeting of growers  
in Sodus last week when the Wayne County Farm Bureau held its meeting. The spirit  
and interest displayed at these meetings indicate anything but a feeling of depression  
on the part of western New York farmers, say those who have attended them the past  
fall and winter.

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DISCUSS : Some fifty-odd farmers, several local business men, and three or four  
HEMP GROWING: from the Station, including Dr. Hedrick and Dr. Carpenter, assembled  
-----: at the Chamber of Commerce last week to hear a promoter from New York  
City outline a proposal for the establishment of a new industry in Geneva and vicini-  
ty based on the hemp crop. The promoters want assurance of the planting of at least  
2,000 acres of hemp and of the raising of a sizeable amount of capital locally to  
finance the enterprise. The interest in the proposition from the standpoint of the  
farmers and the Station lies in the possibility of establishing a new cash crop for  
this region. Whether or not any concerted action will be taken locally to further the  
scheme depends upon the findings of a committee which was appointed to investigate  
the details, particularly the financial aspects, of the proposal.

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THE QUOIT : The Station quoit team is firmly established in third place in the City  
TEAM GAINS: league, with a fighting chance to finish on top, altho at the rate that  
-----: the leaders are going at present this seems improbable. Teams represent-  
ing the American Can Company and the Shur-On Optical Company are leading  
the league. According to members of the Station team, considerable credit for the  
good showing made during the past few weeks is due Mr. Gloyer and Mr. Natti. The  
latter, by the way, was tied last week for first place among the highest ten scorers  
in the league. Other members of the Station aggregation are Messrs. Gallagher,  
Captain, John and Andy Brown, Dougherty, Burke, and Carragher.