



MERRY

CHRISTMAS

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Day, traditionally merry;  
 Day of greens and holly berry;  
 Day of shrieks and childish caper;  
 Day of strings and wrapping paper;  
 Day when folk by endless dozens  
 Show affection toward their cousins;  
 Day of prowess gastronomic;  
 Day of youthful gasps and thrills;  
 Day preceding scores of bills;  
 Day that fattest bankrolls strips;  
 Day of half a hundred tips;  
 Day of Yule logs, carols, bells,  
 Greetings, laughter, infants' yells;  
 Candles, fir trees, shout and jest;  
 Day of anything but rest;  
 Day when most of us feel slighted  
 By some present unrequited;  
 Day by humans held most dear  
 Of the many in the year -  
 With your faults, I love you more  
 Than the other eighteen score.

- F.F.V.

Word recently received from Dr. and Mrs. Jordan states that both are in good health, altho somewhat weary from a two weeks visit to Boston and Cambridge. Both report a pleasant vacation, including the usual shows, dinner parties, etc.

The annual conference of County Agents, Extension Workers, etc., is being held at Cornell this week (Dec. 17 to 21). None of the members of the staff are scheduled to present papers but several plan to attend Wednesday to take part in discussions dealing with their particular lines of work.



The Station Club is indebted to the Social Committee for a successful Xmas party. Not only the children but the grown-ups gathered to see Santa Claus in his annual appearance and all were well repaid. An attractively decorated tree served as a background to an atmosphere of Xmas, while Santa's bag furnished a thrill for each of the younger members.

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Mrs. Dahlberg has returned from the Waterloo hospital where she recently underwent a serious operation. It is reported that her condition is promising and that she is recovering rapidly.

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A note from Dr. Hodgkiss, formerly Associate Entomologist at the Station, states that their oldest son will undergo a minor operation during the Holidays. It is understood that some slight trouble has developed following a broken nose which the surgeons feel can be easily relieved.

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In a conflict between Mrs. Thatcher and La Grippe, the latter appears at present to have the better of the argument. The NEWS extends sympathy.

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Mrs. Finch, whose husband was formerly a member of the staff is recovering from an operation in the Buffalo General Hospital. A rapid and permanent recovery is promised by attending surgeons, much to the gratification of her friends.

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Several members of the staff received invitations to a luncheon at Cornell, Saturday, in honor of Mr. Baker, whose donation was largely responsible for the erection of the Baker Laboratory of Chemistry. The building is now being used by the University classes and is reported to be the second largest of its kind in the United States. It will be formally dedicated later in the year.

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Mr. Stewart, Mr. Gloyer and Mr. Munn, of the Botany Department will attend the annual meetings of the A. A. A. S. in Cincinnati, Dec. 26, 27, 29, 30. Mr. Gloyer and Mr. Munn will read papers dealing with diseases of asters, diseases of cabbage, seed inspection, etc. Mr. Stewart is chairman of the "Committee on Crown Gall in Relation to Nursery Inspection", and will present a report.

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Mr. and Mrs. Churchill will spend Xmas and New Year's with friends at North Pelham, N. Y.

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Mrs. Carpenter left yesterday (Tuesday) for Ann Arbor, Mich., and will be accompanied later in the week by Dr. Carpenter to Lansing, Mich., where both will spend the Xmas recess.



Mr. Barrett, Dr. Glasgow, Mr. Lathrop, Mr. F. Z. Hartzell, and Dr. Albert Hartzell of the Entomology Department will attend the meetings at Cincinnati. Mr. Parrott will give a report for the "Committee on Policy" of the Society of Economic Entomologists, while the other members will present papers dealing with results of their various problems.

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Miss Lida Thatcher arrived home Saturday for a visit during the holiday recess. Miss Thatcher reports an interesting and profitable year at the University of Michigan, where she is majoring in Chemistry and Bacteriology.

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Dr. Breed, Dr. Conn and Mr. Hucker will attend the annual meetings of the Society of American Bacteriologists, which will be held in New Haven on Dec. 26-27-28. Dr. Breed is a member of the committee on Taxonomy and Dr. Conn and Mr. Hucker are members of the committee dealing with Bacteriological Technic.

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Mr. Mensching has been elected to the Board of Directors of the local Kiwanis Club.

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Mrs. Anthony is reported to have successfully carried the leading role in "Gamma Gurton's Needle", a comedy staged by a local organization at State College, Penn. Dr. Anthony was formerly a member of the Horticultural Division.

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Mr. and Mrs. Traphagen plan to spend Xmas at Lodi, N. Y.

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On Monday, Dr. Conn attended a conference in Ithaca dealing with the organization of the proposed "Biological Abstracts".

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The ladies of the Station Staff, and particularly those whose birthdays were in November and December, enjoyed a party at Mrs. Thatcher's last Thursday.

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Mr. Moore is expecting his father and mother from Old Town, Maine, for a Xmas visit.

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Mrs. J. A. Eayres, of Pittsford, Vermont, an aunt of Mr. Howe, is spending the Xmas season in Geneva prior to an extended visit in St. Petersburg, Fla.

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Mr. and Mrs. Nebenauer are spending two weeks in New York City, where Mr. Nebenauer is taking his final doctorate examinations at Columbia. The NEWS hopes to congratulate "Dr." Nebenauer.

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Dr. Thatcher is in Cobleskill, N. Y., today (Wednesday) speaking to the students of the State Agricultural School.

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The Entomology Department still awaits the return of the camera mentioned in last week's NEWS.