

# STATION NEWS

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## INCOME TAXES

Now that Cornell has provided the necessary statements about the amounts withheld from the pay checks in 1943 to meet the "pay-as-you-go" income tax demands, there is no reason for putting off any longer the final reckoning. It will also help relieve the worry about what to do with those surplus funds, especially when you get down to the place on the income tax return where you figure the "forgiveness" item for 1942. Just to show how the public reacts to the "simplified" income tax returns, reports from the Internal Revenue Bureau tell of countless persons who thought the statements which accompany the returns showing the 1942 tax and the credits for payments prior to pay-as-you-go were duns, and mailed in their checks for the difference. Well, it will be a pleasant surprise to have the checks returned anyway.

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## TRIBUTE TO DR. HEDRICK

A group of fifty friends in attendance on the 112th annual meeting of the New York State Agricultural Society in Albany last week signed a communication addressed to Doctor Hedrick acclaiming his many contributions to the Society in the past and extending best wishes for health and happiness. Doctor Hedrick is a former president of the Agricultural Society and his book on "A History of Agriculture in the State of New York" was written under the auspices of the Society to commemorate its 100th anniversary.

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## WELL REPRESENTED

Geneva will be represented at the Eastern Meeting of the State Horticultural Society in Kingston this week by a delegation including the Director, Mr. Wellington, Dr. Tukey, Dr. Chapman, Mr. Wheeler, Dr. Suit, and Dr. Hamilton. In addition, the Hudson Valley laboratories will provide Dr. Dean, Dr. Adams, Mr. Brann, Dr. Palmiter, and Mr. Anderson.

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## TALKING ON TOMATOES

Mr. Sayre, Dr. Reinking, and Dr. Schroeder will be in Fairport next Friday to meet a group of tomato plant growers and discuss problems encountered in the intensive production of plants for growers of cannery tomatoes. Conservative estimates place the number of tomato plants raised in plant houses in this State in the neighborhood of 50,000,000, with the Fairport area being one of the larger producing sections.

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## RECUPERATING

Miss Lucile Holtby who has been absent from her office for the past few days on account of the serious illness of her father, reported yesterday that he was considerably improved.

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## FROM PENN STATE

Doctor Nelson J. Shaulis, pomologist of the Pennsylvania State College and located at the Fruit Research Laboratory at Arendtsville, visited the Pomology Division last Monday and was particularly interested in the work with grapes and small fruits.

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## RUMORS

There is no rumor about the reported engagement of Herbert Conn and Miss Jan H. Bien of Bethesda, Md. That much is known on good authority. Rumor does have it, however, that--times being what they are--it may not be long before they are married.

UNAVOIDABLY DELAYED

The publication date of the sixty-second annual report of the Station, which was released for the press two weeks ago, has been deferred so often that we are no longer making any predictions as to when the first copies will be available. The chief hurdle to be overcome is lack of manpower--the printer has nine presses but only four pressmen, hence delays.

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A DISTINGUISHED FIGURE

In the death of Doctor J. McKeen Cattell, for many years Editor of Science and a leader in the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the world has lost a distinguished scholar and scientist. His outstanding service to American science and scientists will long be remembered.

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BIOLOGICAL SOCIETIES

Doctor Breed was in Philadelphia last week for meetings of the American Biological Society and of the Union of Biological Societies. The latter is not an affiliate of the CIO despite its name, but has as its purpose, among other objectives, the support and furtherance of Biological Abstracts.

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JONATHAN COOMBS DAVIS

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Walt Davis on the arrival last Wednesday, January 19th, of Jonathan Coombs! Walt is now in England and we would not be surprised to discover that the Island is pretty well informed about Jonathan by this time, or soon will be.

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A VALENTINE DANCE

A Valentine Dance sponsored by Company K will be held in the Armory on Friday, February 11th. Doctor Crosier has tickets and other information about the affair.

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TALKED ON MEXICO

Laudatory reports come back from a recent meeting of the Waterloo Rotary Club on a talk on Mexico by Doctor Breed which was illustrated with pictures made on a trip to Mexico City a few years ago in connection with a meeting of an Inter-American food conference.

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THREE DECADES

The anniversary of Miss Jessie Sperry's thirty years of service in the Director's office was fittingly celebrated with coffee and doughnuts the other day while Miss Sperry related incidents about the Directors she has known. Needless to say, a good time was had by all.

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KNOW