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THE HERD IS SOLD

The committee set up by the College of Agriculture to appraise and dispose of the Station herd accepted proposals from Mr. Harry C. Andrews of Waterloo and Charl Robb of Perry at an opening of bids last Saturday. The three bulls went to Mr. Andrews and the cows and young stock to Mr. Robb. While it is not known definitely at this time when the animals will be moved, it is expected that they will be called for on or before October 1st.

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WILLIAM CASEY

We had been at the Experiment Station for sometime before we learned that Casey's name was really William; not that that fact made any difference, for he has been and always will be just "Casey" to his host of Station friends. Casey has been trying to retire for the past several months but was prevailed upon to remain until the herd was disposed of. So with the passing of the herd and after 28 years of service, Casey will lay down the tools of the herdsman and take up his fiddle and his bow to play to his heart's desire those old time tunes in which he delights, but we shall miss his wit and homely philosophy, for Casey can be counted upon to have original ideas upon any subject one might mention. Casey's retirement marks the close of an epoch in Station history. Here are our best wishes for his continued health and happiness!

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MRS. HENING RESIGNS

Mrs. Hening has tendered her resignation as Librarian and Assistant Editor, effective October 15th when she will join Mr. Hening in Chicago. Mrs. Hening began work at the Station in September 1929 in the mailing room and later moved up to take over the duties of the Bulletin Room. In March 1937 she was named Librarian and Assistant Editor. We are sorry to see the Henings leave Geneva, but wish them every success and happiness in their new enterprise.

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CHEMISTS' CLUB

What is described as a "snappy, brief but extremely important" meeting of the Chemists' Club will be held in the Staff Room in Jordan Hall tomorrow, September 30 at 4:30 p. m. "Come and find out or fight it out", reads the notice.

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GOING TO CAIRO

Prof. L. D. Kelsey of the Extension Service and for the past few years director of the Farm and Home Week programs, has been granted leave by Cornell to serve with former Governor Lehman's Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation, and has been in Washington for several weeks now preparing for his new duties. According to Extension Echoes, Professor Kelsey's responsibilities will cover the agricultural rehabilitation of the several Balkan nations, an area in which he served in a similar capacity following World War I, and will set up headquarters in Cairo, when the time is ripe. His first step will be to estimate the agricultural resources left to these countries and their needs to start production.

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TO ASSIST DR. HIGGINS

Dale G. Strong, who has been assisting Dr. Floyd L. Higgins of the U. S. Department of Agriculture Rubber Plant Substation left last week for Klamath Falls, Ore., where he will take up his duties as Junior Agronomist at the Rubber Plant Substation there. Mr. Strong came to Geneva from McConnellsville, Ohio, on July 28, but due to the urgent need for help at Klamath Falls, he was transferred there. Klamath Falls is one of the four Rubber Plant Substations of the federal Department conducting experiments with Kok-saghyz. The central office and laboratory are located at St. Paul, Minn., with substations at Bozeman, Mont.; Klamath Falls, Ore.; East Lansing, Mich.; and here at Geneva. It is expected that Robert Robison, a Cornell graduate of 1943, who has been assisting with rubber plant investigations at Geneva since May, will take over Mr. Strong's duties for the present.

NEW YORK SEEDSMEN

Mr. Munn addressed a meeting of the New York State Seed Association at the Hotel Rochester last Monday afternoon on "Work in the Seed Laboratory in War Time".

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"PARMESAN, USA"

Under the above title, a writer in the magazine Read gives an account of the development of foreign-type cheeses in the United States. Much of the progress made in this direction in recent years is attributed to our own Jules Marquardt whose work the author cites to the extent of several paragraphs.

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HERE FOR DURATION

Mrs. Oliver Swift, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Clark, and her young son are now living with the Clark's following Mr. Swift's induction into the Army. The Swifts were residing in Lancaster, N. Y.

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INTERESTED IN HOPS

Dr. Cazza of Huntingdon, Quebec, and Mr. N. April of the Deuclau School of Agriculture at St. Martine, Quebec, called at the Station yesterday to interview Mr. Harlan on hop growing in New York State. They left later in the day with Jim to inspect the Station's experimental hop plantings near Waterville.

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PAYMENT IN KIND

We are indebted to Mr. Munn for a substantial payment on his subscription to the NEWS in the form of a generous sample of sprouted soybeans. Curiously enough, altho quite logically, the Seed Testing Laboratory finds itself squarely on the home front these days with the receipt of samples of soybeans for sprouting tests of stocks prior to offering the beans on the market for soy sprouts. There is a vast difference between soybeans suitable for planting purposes and soybeans for sprouts, according to the seed specialists. (Incidentally, payment in kind will be quite acceptable on all past due subscriptions.)

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A CHALLENGE

Under the caption "Who Dunit?", Extension Echoes has this to say, "Some of these men around the campus are getting pretty cocky about how much food they have canned, pickled, or preserved this year. A few even think they have done more than the ladies, and say they are all for a comparison of canning records, say from the College of Agriculture and from the College of Home Economics. Echoes calls for a champion from the ranks of each college to bring forth some figures, individual or collective, to show who is tops in the food game."

Well, after Echoes picks Ithaca's champion, we'd like to see him (or her) enter the finals with the Station champ, providing the freezing and dehydration of foods is included among the methods of preservation, because the top-ranking Station food conservers--Doctors McNew and Hucker--are nothing if not ultra modern in their technics. As for their "packs" this year, well to hear them tell it the commercial food processors may well look to their laurels.

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PEARL HARBOR

The speaker at the Station Club dinner next Tuesday evening, October 5th, will be Lieutenant Commander Norris of the Naval Training Station at Sampson, who will speak on his experiences at Pearl Harbor. Dinner will be served promptly at 6:30 and will be followed by a brief business meeting and election of officers for 1943-44. Mrs. Glasgow has named the following committee on nominations: C. S. Pederson, chairman, F. A. Lee, E. H. Wheeler, W. T. Tapley, and C. E. Heit. If you want to get elected to something, see one of these men at once.