

STATION NEWS

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STATION NEWS 1923 – 2008

With this last issue of Station News we take a look back at the history of this 85 year-old publication – a history that not only chronicles many of the accomplishments of the Experiment Station and its staff, but especially during the early years, includes stories, anecdotes, and events beyond “the science” some of which you’re sure to find quite amusing. The news of the day—in those days—was appointments, resignations, promotions, and awards, grower meetings, travels both work related and otherwise, marriages, births, illnesses and hospitalizations, the Station picnic, Station Club dinner, Christmas party, baseball, bowling and bridge. At one point there is even a reference to a Station News ‘Social Editor’. The Lee Library has a complete set of bound copies of Station News dating from 1923 to 1977. There is another Station news archive from 1977 on in the Library consisting of loose copies. It is from these two archives that the “snippets” on the following pages are taken.

Joe Ogrodnick

I’d like to take the opportunity, as I write this Holiday message, to extend my gratitude to everyone in the Station community for your hard work and exceptional dedication again this year. I am continually reminded of how important the work we do is to the agricultural and food industries and to our NY economy. As a result of your efforts, our partnerships with NY stakeholders have never been stronger.

Despite the very difficult state economic climate, 2009 promises to be a year during which the Station will continue to move forward. We look forward to welcoming new faculty members who will bring strengths to core programs as well as expertise in new areas vital to the Station’s future. Our new colleagues will be opening doors to greater scientific understanding in diverse fields from tree fruit genomics to food ingredient technologies to renewable energy and more. We also look forward with great anticipation to the opening of the new Cornell Lake Erie Research and Extension Laboratory. The Fredonia Lab has a long and distinguished record of accomplishment and the move to the new facility will enhance our capacity to generate even greater returns for the direct benefit of the regional, state and national grape and wine industries.

The Station community has once again generously reached out in numerous ways this year to make NY citizens of all ages aware of the importance of science and the complex challenges involved in producing food. We also continue to make a positive difference in our community by helping those in need. Thank you to all who generously contributed to the Station Club’s program to make the holidays brighter for many. I personally thank you for your support and wish you and your families a very pleasant and restful holiday season.



Tom





JULY 2, 1923 –

PUBLICATION OF THE VERY FIRST STATION NEWS (SEE RIGHT HAND COLUMN ON THIS PAGE).

JULY 9, 1923 –

THE FIRST ISSUE OF THE STATION NEWS WENT OVER SO WELL THAT THIS EDITION HAS EXPANDED TO TWO PAGES IN ORDER TO COVER THE GREAT VOLUME OF NEWS THAT HAS SINCE COME ACROSS THE EDITOR'S DESK.

FEBRUARY 6, 1924 –

A REPORT ON THE EXPERIMENT STATION NEWS SERVICE MADE AT THE STAFF MEETING YESTERDAY SHOWED THAT THE 162 STORIES SENT OUT TO NEWSPAPERS AND FARM PAPERS DURING 1923 WERE USED 4,521 TIMES.

MARCH 18, 1925 –

STATION EMPLOYEES ARE WATCHING WITH "BAITED BREATH" FOR THAT ALL IMPORTANT SIGNATURE OF GOVERNOR SMITH'S TO THE ANNUAL APPROPRIATION BILL.

MARCH 3, 1926 –

THE STATION CLUB PARTY SET FOR TONIGHT HAS BEEN INDEFINITELY POSTPONED DUE TO THE LARGE NUMBER OF STATION PEOPLE IN THE HOSPITAL

JUNE 27, 1927 –

REPORT OF A LETTER SENT TO THE NY GOVERNOR FROM CORNELL UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT FARRAND REFERRING TO THAT YEAR'S ANNUAL REPORT STATING "THIS REPORT IS A CLEAR EXPOSITION OF THE CONTINUED SIGNIFICANCE OF THE STATION FOR THE AGRICULTURE OF THE STATE AND THE NATION."

APRIL 17, 1928 –

INVITATION TO HOBART COLLEGE AND LOCAL MEDICAL SOCIETY TO JOIN STATION STAFF FOR AN EVENING GET TOGETHER.

JULY 24, 1929 –

(SLOW NEWS WEEK) STARTS OUT "BEING EXCEPTIONALLY HARD PRESSED THIS WEEK FOR MATE-

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THE STATION NEWS

Vol. I, No. 1

July 2, 1923

Geneva, N.Y.

THE STATION NEWS hereby makes its bow. With seven members of our staff located away from Geneva, the time seems opportune to inaugurate some sort of a house organ to keep these men in touch with the goings and comings of their associates and, incidentally, to keep all of us informed of matters of more or less general interest to the staff.

On July 1 the administration of the Station passed into the hands of the Board of Trustees of Cornell University, with Dr. Thatcher holding the title of Director of Experiment Stations. Dr. Thatcher also becomes a member of the Agricultural Council of Cornell University and will direct the staff research of the College of Agriculture, the Cornell University Experiment Station, the Geneva Station, and the Long Island Vegetable Research Farm. The members of the staff at Geneva have been elected to fill the positions which they now hold for the coming year with the same titles as heretofore. Chiefs in Research have also been given the title of Professor, Associates in Research that of Assistant Professor, and Assistants in Research the title of Instructor.

Dean Mann writes that it is their intention to push the request for a new horticultural laboratory building at Geneva before the next legislature as their building program.

During the summer months, Dr. Thatcher expects to be in Ithaca on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The American Phytopathological Society will hold its summer meeting at the Station next Monday, July 9. A tour of the spraying and dusting experiments will form a prominent feature of the program.

The New York State Horticultural Society and the New York State Vegetable Growers' Association are planning to hold a joint meeting at the Station on August 1. These meetings will attract several hundred growers. Details of the program will be announced later.

Leon R. Streeter was recently granted the degree of master of science by the University of Maine.

George Hucker has satisfied the residence requirements of Yale University for the degree of doctor of philosophy and will be granted the degree upon the completion of his thesis.

Work will be begun at once in the Hudson River Valley under the special appropriation for horticultural research in that region. Mr. Elmer V. Shear, a graduate student of Cornell University, has been appointed Associate in Research in Plant Pathology and has already taken up headquarters at Highland in Ulster County. Dr. Frank H. Lathrop will proceed to Highland sometime this week to take charge of the insect work. It is reported that an imposing residence and grounds have been secured at Highland and will serve both for living quarters and as a laboratory.

The Geneva Daily Times proposes to devote an entire page to agricultural matters every Saturday night, beginning with next Saturday's edition. Mr. Davis of the Times' staff has been put in charge of this page and will appreciate the cooperation of members of the Station staff in supplying timely material.

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Geneva, N. Y.

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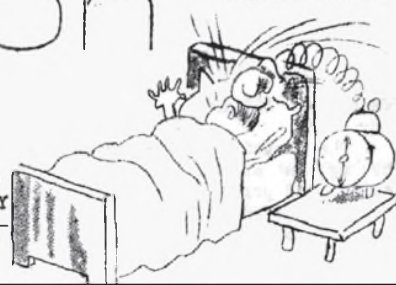
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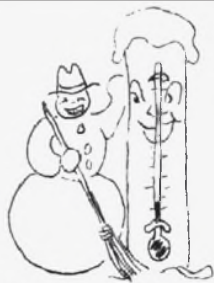
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DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME



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1950



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RIAL TO FILL THIS TROUBLESOME SHEET..... ” ONE OF THE “BIG STORIES” IN THIS ISSUE – MISS JANET MACKENZIE OF WATER-LOO, IOWA IS VISITING HER SISTER MRS. HUCKER, WIFE OF DR. GEORGE HUCKER, IN GENEVA.

MARCH 2, 1932 –

MUCH OF THIS ISSUE DEVOTED TO 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE EXPERIMENT STATION. THEN DIRECTOR DR. HEDRICK SAYS OF THE OCCASION: “FIFTY YEARS – ONLY A BEGINNING; AN EMBARKATION.”

MARCH 17, 1937 –

STATION NEWS PRINTED IN GREEN INK TO COMMEMORATE ST. PATRICK’S DAY.

DECEMBER 18, 1940 –

ANNOUNCEMENT OF A NEW PRODUCT FROM THE STATION’S FRUIT JUICE LABORATORY, “APPLE RASPBERRY JUICE WAS INTRODUCED TO THE PUBLIC FOR THE FIRST TIME HERE. THE PRODUCT WENT ON SALE THIS WEEK AT THE SUPER MARKET BASKET STORE ON EXCHANGE ST.”

MARCH 26, 1941 –

SAM SULLIVAN IS IN THE ARMY NOW – SAM IS THE FIRST STATION EMPLOYEE TO BE CALLED BY THE LOCAL DRAFT BOARD.

DECEMBER 10, 1941 –

(THREE DAYS AFTER PEARL HARBOR) THE FIRST THOUGHT OF EVERYONE IN THE PRESENT EMERGENCY IS FOR THE MEN IN THE SERVICE AND PARTICULARLY THOSE AMONG THE STATION GROUP WHO ARE LIKELY TO BE CALLED.

JULY 7, 1943 –

UNDER THE HEADING LAST WEEK’S BONER, THEN STATION NEWS EDITOR SAYS: “ONE GOOD THING ABOUT MISTAKES IN STATION NEWS IS THE CORRECTION HELPS FILL UP STATION NEWS FOR THE NEXT WEEK.”

FEBRUARY 16, 1944 –

UNDER THE HEADING WHAT’S NEXT– WITH THE SCIENTIFIC WORLD STILL AGOG OVER THE WONDERS OF PEN-

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ICILLIN, A RUSSIAN SCIENTIST, PROF. B. B. TOKEN COME FORTH WITH THE EVIDENCE SUPPORTING THE BELIEF THAT ONIONS, GARLIC AND THEIR EQUALLY FRAGRANT KIN ARE "GOOD FOR WHAT AILS YOU."

APRIL 11, 1945 –

THE FREEZING TEMPERATURES OF LAST WEEK LEAD TO NUMEROUS INQUIRIES AND MUCH SPECULATION REGARDING THE DAMAGE TO FRUIT BUDS. SO FAR AS THE STATION FRUIT PLANTINGS ARE CONCERNED, SWEET CHERRIES ARE PRACTICALLY ALL GONE AND THE SOUR CHERRIES SUFFERED SOME INJURY.

APRIL 3, 1946 –

PROFESSOR SAYRE WAS INTERVIEWED ON CANNING CROPS RESEARCH YESTERDAY OVER WHCU IN CONNECTION WITH THE MONTHLY PROGRAM "WHAT'S NEW IN FARM AND HOME RESEARCH."

AUGUST 28, 1946 –

THE FIRST FINGER LAKES GRAPE GROWERS TOUR IS BEING HELD IN THE HAMMONDSPORT AREA TODAY. TEN STATION SCIENTISTS WILL BE ON HAND WITH ABOUT 300 GRAPE GROWERS EXPECTED TO ATTEND.

FEBRUARY 23, 1949 –

"NEW MACHINERY AND ITS APPLICATIONS TO EXPERIMENTAL WORK" WILL BE THE THEME OF THE STATION SEMINAR THIS WEEK. DOCTOR FOSTER WILL SERVE AS MODERATOR WITH BRIEF COMMENTS ON NEW LABORATORY AND FIELD EQUIPMENT BY THOSE USING NEW GADGETS IN THEIR EXPERIMENTS.

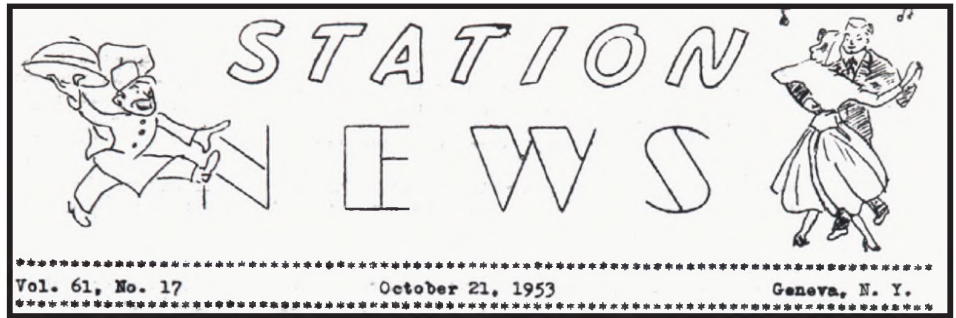
MAY 23, 1951 –

THE GENEVA STATION APPEARS TO BE BACK IN THE LIVESTOCK BUSINESS AGAIN. THE LATEST ADDITION IS A FLOCK OF GOSLINGS THAT HAVE BEEN PUT TO WORK WEEDING PROFESSOR SLATE'S STRAWBERRY PLANTINGS.

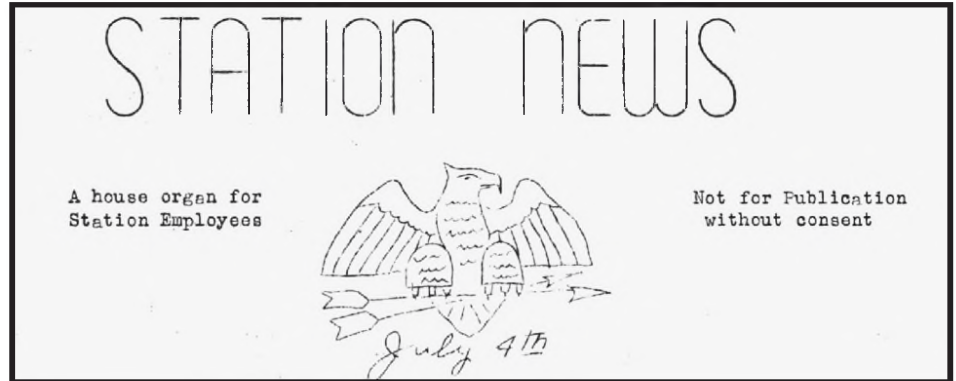
SEPTEMBER 17, 1952 –

AT TOMORROW'S MEETING OF THE FRUIT TESTING ASSOCIATION, MEMBERS WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE THE STATION'S FIVE

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1958



1965



1968



1978



1988



2002



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NEW GRAPES, WHICH HAVE JUST BEEN NAMED. THEY ARE: "ALDEN," "BATH," "NAPLES," HIMROD," AND "ROMULUS."

FEBRUARY 11, 1953 –

IN HIS NATIONWIDE NETWORK BROADCAST LAST THURSDAY, RADIO ARTIST ARTHUR GODFREY MADE CONSIDERABLE MENTION OF THE STATION'S NEW PASTE-TYPE TOMATO. SEEMS HE HAD READ ABOUT THE NEW VARIETY AND WAS THINKING ABOUT RAISING IT ON HIS FARM.

OCTOBER 14, 1953 –

PROFESSOR SLATE HAS RETURNED FROM BOSTON AND THE MEETING OF THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY AND BROUGHT BACK WITH HIM FOUR AWARDS FOR GENEVA FRUITS THAT WERE ON DISPLAY.

MARCH 10, 1954 –

WORD FROM THE ASSOCIATED PRESS IN ALBANY REVEALS THAT THE GREEN LIGHT HAS BEEN GIVEN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE STATION'S LONG-SOUGHT-AFTER FOOD PROCESSING BUILDING. THE AMOUNT OF \$1,800,000 HAS BEEN INCLUDED IN THE APPROVED BUDGET.

DECEMBER 29, 1954 –

A MAN WHO ACCOMPLISHED MORE IN HIS HALF CENTURY OF "RETIREMENT" THAN IN HIS ACTIVE CAREER PASSED AWAY ON CHRISTMAS DAY. HE WAS LIBERTY HYDE BAILEY, A MONUMENTAL FIGURE IN THE FIELD OF PLANT SCIENCE.

MAY 11, 1955 –

WAYS OF BRINGING THE ITHACA AND GENEVA CAMPUSES CLOSER TOGETHER WAS ONE OF CORNELL PRESIDENT DEANE MALOTT'S CHIEF CONCERNS IN SPEAKING TO THE STAFF YESTERDAY.

JUNE 22, 1955 –

ON JUNE 20, 1880, THE NYS LEGISLATURE ENACTED ONE OF ITS MOST IMPORTANT AND FAR-REACHING PIECES OF LEGISLATION IN ITS LONG HISTORY. ON THAT DAY IT PROVIDED FOR THE CREATION OF AN AGRICUL-

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TURAL EXPERIMENT STATION "FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROMOTING AGRICULTURE IN ITS VARIOUS BRANCHES BY SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATION AND EXPERIMENTATION."

FEBRUARY 20, 1957 –

ABSENT-MINDED PROFESSORS – MENTION OF A PROFESSOR GOING HOME WITHOUT HIS CAR IN LAST WEEK'S NEWS BROUGHT A COMMUNICATION FROM AN OLD-TIMER TELLING ABOUT A PROFESSOR WHO DROVE HIS CAR TO ALBANY AND WHEN HE HAD COMPLETED HIS BUSINESS WENT DOWN TO THE DEPOT AND RETURNED TO GENEVA BY TRAIN.

MARCH 27, 1957 –

THE STATION IS MARKING ITS 75TH THIS YEAR, BY TAKING A LOOK AHEAD TO THE ROLE OF AGRICULTURE IN THE SOCIETY IN THE FUTURE. THE DATE IS OCTOBER 4TH AND AN IMPRESSIVE ARRAY OF SPEAKERS HAS ALREADY BEEN LINED UP FOR THE OCCASION. GOVERNOR HARRIMAN WILL BE ONE OF THE FEATURED SPEAKERS. IT IS ALSO HOPED THAT THE OCCASION MAY ALSO BE MARKED WITH THE LAYING OF THE CORNERSTONE FOR THE NEW FOOD SCIENCE BUILDING.

AUGUST 14, 1957 –

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, WILL BE A BIG DAY AT THE EXPERIMENT STATION. THAT DAY IS BEING SET ASIDE FOR AN "OPEN HOUSE" FOR GENEVA RESIDENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE STATION'S SESQUI-CENTENNIAL.

SEPTEMBER 24, 1958 –

THE VISIT OF THE ITALIAN TOMATO GROWERS LAST FRIDAY WAS A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR. THE GROWERS SAID THAT THIS WAS THE MOST INFORMATIVE STOP ON THEIR TRIP.

MUCH OF THE CREDIT FOR THE VISIT'S SUCCESS GOES TO DR. PROVIDENTI WHO TRANSLATED PAPERS AUTHORED BY STATION SCIENTISTS INTO ITALIAN AND READ THEM TO THE VISITORS.

OCTOBER 29, 1958 –

THE OPEN HOUSE, WHICH OPENS OFFICIALLY TODAY FOR A THREE-

DAY RUN, IS A NEW VENTURE FOR THE EXPERIMENT STATION. SOMEWHAT SIMILAR EVENTS HAVE BEEN STAGED IN THE PAST, HOWEVER THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT AN ALL-OUT EFFORT HAS BEEN MADE TO INFORM THE PUBLIC WHAT EXACTLY IS MEANT BY "SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH" AND TO DEMONSTRATE HOW THE STATION'S PROGRAMS RELATE TO PRODUCERS, PROCESSORS AND CONSUMERS.

JULY 1, 1959 –

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US – STATION NEWS WILL BE 36 YEARS OLD TOMORROW. ON JULY 2, 1923, THE PULSE BEAT OF THE STATION QUICKENED WITH THE APPEARANCE OF THE 8 1/2 X 11 SHEET DESIGNED TO "KEEP US ALL INFORMED OF MATTERS OF MORE OR LESS GENERAL INTEREST TO THE STAFF."

SEPTEMBER 27, 1961 –

LAST WEDNESDAY, THE NEW YORK STATE AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION VINEYARD LABORATORY AT FREDONIA WAS DEDICATED AND AN OPEN HOUSE WAS HELD. DEAN CHARLES E. PALM DELIVERED THE DEDICATION ADDRESS.

MAY 16, 1962 –

THE POMOLOGISTS EXPECT TO COMPLETE ALL THEIR TREE FRUIT POLLINATIONS THIS WEEK. I KNOW THE SECRETARIES IN THE DEPARTMENT ARE GLAD TO HEAR THIS, THEY'VE BEEN COMBING ANthers FROM FRUIT TREE BLOSSOMS FOR WEEKS NOW.

FEBRUARY 20, 1963 –

HAVE YOU PUT ON A LITTLE EXTRA WEIGHT DURING THESE WINTER MONTHS, OR DO YOU WISH TO UNDERTAKE SOMETHING MORE CHALLENGING THAN SITTING AROUND A BRIDGE TABLE ON SATURDAY NIGHTS? IF SO, COME TO THE SQUARE DANCE AT JORDAN HALL ON 23 MARCH.

MARCH 6, 1964 –

DO YOU HAVE A SWEET TOOTH? IF YOU DO, THE NEW CANDY MACHINE IN THE LOUNGE OF THE FOOD SCIENCE BUILDING IS FOR YOU! THIS SMALL SERVICE TO THE STATION IS SPONSORED BY THE STATION CLUB.

MARCH 20, 1964 –

AS PART OF ITS PROGRAM TO RECOGNIZE OUTSTANDING INDUSTRIES OF GENEVA, THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE IS DEDICATING THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL DINNER TO THE WORK OF THE EXPERIMENT STATION AND THE ROLE ITS EMPLOYEES HAVE PLAYED IN COMMUNITY LIFE.

AUGUST 7, 1964 –

ON JULY 29 NEARLY 200 PERSONS ATTENDED THE DEDICATION CEREMONIES FOR THE HUDSON VALLEY LABORATORY IN HIGHLAND, NY.

JANUARY 28, 1966 –

A SPECIAL WINE INDOCTRINATION MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 3 IN THE FOOD RESEARCH CONFERENCE ROOM FOR TOP ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIALS OF THE VARIOUS NEW YORK WINERIES. WE ARE GOING TO ATTEMPT TO TELL THIS GROUP THROUGH A SERIES OF TALKS AND ACTUAL DEMONSTRATIONS ABOUT GENEVA'S EXPANDED WINE RESEARCH PROGRAM AND WHAT OUR RESEARCH TO DATE HAS MEANT OR WILL MEAN TO THE INDUSTRY.

DECEMBER 2, 1966 –

AS THAT FAMOUS PHRASE FROM MY FAIR LADY GOES: "BY JOVE I THINK WE'VE GOT IT." GROUND HAS BEEN BROKEN LAST WEEK FOR THE \$3.6 MILLION ENTOMOLOGY-PLANT PATHOLOGY BUILDING. WHEN COMPLETED, THIS BUILDING WILL PROVIDE THE GENEVA STATION WITH THE FINEST FACILITIES OF ITS KIND IN THE COUNTRY.

JANUARY 12, 1968 –

IF THAT CAR OF YOURS HAS GROANED MORE THAN USUAL ON RECENT MORNINGS, IT COULD WELL BE BECAUSE OF THE CONSISTENT BELOW ZERO TEMPERATURES THAT GENEVA HAS EXPERIENCED FOR THE LAST SEVERAL DAYS. IT WAS -14° JANUARY 12 AND ON JANUARY 9 IT GOT DOWN TO -18° – THE LOWEST RECORDED TEMPERATURE SINCE 1927 ON THAT PARTICULAR DATE.

MARCH 15, 1968 –

APPROXIMATELY 60 PEOPLE ATTENDED THE FIRST OF A SERIES OF SEMINARS ON THE USE OF THE

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CORNELL COMPUTER SYSTEM. MANY OF US WHO ATTENDED THE FIRST SEMINAR WERE CONFUSED WHEN WE LEFT. MORIE VITTUM ASSURES MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY AND STAFF THAT THE CONTENT OF THE NEXT SEMINAR WILL BE CONSIDERABLY DIFFERENT IN CONTENT.

JANUARY 28, 1931 –
ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE RELEASE OF THE CORTLAND APPLE.

OCTOBER 24, 1969 –
SOME 240 MEMBERS OF THE STATION FAMILY ATTENDED THE ANNUAL STATION BANQUET AT THE DRESDEN HOTEL ON OCTOBER 22. AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF STATION CLUB WAS CELEBRATED.

SEPTEMBER 4, 1970 –
AFTER MONTHS OF PLANNING AND HOPING, THE NEW YORK STATE AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION IS NOW THE PROUD POSSESSOR OF AN IBM 1800 COMPUTER.

SEPTEMBER 30, 1972 –
HISTORY WAS MADE ON SEPTEMBER 21 WHEN EIGHT NEW VARIETIES OF FRUIT WERE NAMED BY THE STATION, CULMINATING YEARS OF RESEARCH BY STATION SCIENTISTS. NAMED WERE: THE JONAMAC APPLE, THE SENECA PLUM, THE BRIGHTON AND EDEN PEACHES, THE HOLIDAY STRAWBERRY, THE CAYUGA WHITE WINE GRAPE, AND TWO SEEDLESS GRAPES, LAKE-MONT AND SUFFOLK RED.

JUNE 30, 1973 –
THE HUDSON VALLEY LABORATORY WILL CELEBRATE ITS GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY AUGUST 1 WITH A MAJOR FIELD DAY FOR ALL GROWERS.

OCTOBER 31, 1974 –
NEW SMOKING POLICY – LIGHTED MATCHES AND CIGARETTES POSE A SERIOUS FIRE HAZARD IN THE DRY ATMOSPHERE OF THE LIBRARY, ESPECIALLY IN THE STACKS. BECAUSE OF THIS WE ARE ASKING USERS TO ONLY SMOKE IN THE READING ROOM.

MAY 31, 1975 –
PENCIL STUBS – YES WE WILL ACCEPT CRUMMY, OLD, WORN-OUT,

BEAT-UP PENCIL STUBS FOR USE BY PATRONS OF THE LIBRARY.

JUNE 30, 1976 –
WE ARE PLEASED TO REPORT THAT THE EXPERIMENT STATION FLOAT ENTERED IN THE JULY 10 PARADE HELD IN DOWNTOWN GENEVA TOOK TOP HONORS AS “BEST OVERALL FLOAT.”

SEPTEMBER 30, 1977 –
TWO NEW SEEDLESS GRAPES, GLENORA AND CANADICE, WERE CHRISTENED DURING THE 59TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NEW YORK STATE FRUIT TESTING ASSOCIATION.

JANUARY 29, 1978 –
WITH ALL THE SNOW THIS WINTER, THERE’S A GROUP OF WORKERS—THE FARM CREW—THAT DESERVE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF CREDIT FOR KEEPING THE STATION ROADS AND PARKING AREAS CLEAR.

NOVEMBER 9, 1980 –
SURPRISE! – DID YOU NOTICE A LITTLE SOMETHING EXTRA IN YOUR PAY ENVELOPE? NO— IT’S NOT A RAISE, BUT A COUPON FOR A FREE MCCICKEN SANDWICH FROM MCDONALDS.

MAY 21, 1981 –
THE LIBRARY HAS JUST ACQUIRED A NEW TEXAS INSTRUMENT COMPUTER TERMINAL, WHICH HAS THE CAPABILITY OF CONDUCTING LITERATURE SEARCHES ON MORE THAN 130 DATABASES.

AUGUST 29, 1982 –
A STORY APPEARS IN THIS ISSUE ABOUT THE STATION’S CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OPEN HOUSE, WHICH WAS HELD AUGUST 21 AND 22 WITH OVER 7,000 IN ATTENDANCE.

NOVEMBER 28, 1983 –
THE EXPERIMENT STATION HAS AGAIN RECEIVED PUBLICITY IN *ORGANIC GARDENING*. THE NOVEMBER ISSUE FEATURES AN INTERVIEW WITH BOB POOL WHO TALKS ABOUT RECENT ADVANCES IN SEEDLESS GRAPES.

1984 – STATION NEWS BECOMES STATION CALENDAR

APRIL 22, 1984 –
A SUPERB ARTICLE ON THE WORK OF PROFESSOR EMERITUS ROGER WAY APPEARED IN THE APRIL 23, ISSUE OF PEOPLE MAGAZINE.

FEBRUARY 3, 1985 –
STATION TRIVIA QUIZ: WHEN WAS WHITMAN H. JORDAN DIRECTOR OF THE STATION? BY WHAT NAME WAS THE ORIGINAL STATION FARM KNOWN? WHAT NOBEL PRIZE WINNER USED TO WORK AT THE STATION?

MARCH 19, 1986 –
ALL EMPLOYEES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE DEDICATION OF THE NATIONAL CLONAL GERMLASM LABORATORY BEGINNING AT 2:00 PM ON MARCH 20.

1987 – STATION CALENDAR BECOMES STATION NOTES

MAY 10, 1987 –
CONSTRUCTION IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN THIS SUMMER ON A 14,000 SQUARE FOOT, \$1-MILLION WAREHOUSE.

SEPTEMBER 18, 1988 –
A NEW APPLE, ‘EMPRESS,’ WAS NAMED THIS WEEK DURING A MEETING OF THE NEW YORK STATE FRUIT TESTING COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION. THE NEW VARIETY HAS A PEDIGREE DATING BACK MORE THAN TWO AND ONE-HALF CENTURIES.

SEPTEMBER 24, 1989 –
THE USDA HAS GIVEN STATION RESEARCHER DENNIS GONSALVES PERMISSION TO FIELD TEST CUCUMBERS THAT HAVE BEEN GENETICALLY ALTERED TO TOLERATE A COMMON YIELD-REDUCING VIRUS.

SEPTEMBER 23, 1990 –
A WHITE WINE GRAPE, ‘CHARDONNEL,’ AND AN APPLE, THAT RIPENS IN EARLY MID-SEASON, ‘NORTHERN LIGHTS,’ WERE NAMED AT YESTERDAY’S MEETING OF THE NEW YORK STATE FRUIT TESTING ASSOCIATION HELD IN JORDAN HALL.

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SEPTEMBER 29, 1991 –

THREE NEW VARIETIES WERE INTRODUCED BY STATION SCIENTISTS AT THE COMBINED MEETING OF THE NEW YORK STATE FRUIT TESTING ASSOCIATION AND THE NORTH AMERICAN FRUIT EXPLORERS. THE VARIETIES ARE ‘SENECA’ STRAWBERRY, ‘ROYALTON’ CHERRY AND THE ‘GENEVA 65’ ROOTSTOCK.

AUGUST 30, 1992 –

“THIS PLACE IS A DAZZLER,” EXCLAIMED GOVERNOR MARIO CUOMO WHO WAS AT THE STATION TO SIGN THE 1992 AGRICULTURAL PROTECTION ACT.

OCTOBER 10, 1993 –

“ALL OF US WERE GREATLY IMPRESSED BY WHAT WE SAW, ESPECIALLY THE SPIRIT OF PARTNERSHIP AND PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS THAT EVERYONE SHOWED,” COMMENTED CORNELL PRESIDENT DR. FRANK RHODES AFTER AN OCTOBER 5 VISIT TO THE STATION.

JULY 3, 1994 –

“OVER THE PAST DECADE, RESEARCH IN ENOLOGY AND VITICULTURE DONE AT THE EXPERIMENT STATION AND COMMUNICATED BACK TO THE INDUSTRY HAS MADE A BIG DIFFERENCE TO THE WINE INDUSTRY IN NEW YORK STATE AND THE FINGER LAKES IN PARTICULAR,” SAID NYWGF PRESIDENT ON THE OCCASION OF MEDALS RECEIVED BY WINES FROM GENEVA COLLABORATIONS.

1995 – “WHAT GOES AROUND COMES AROUND” – STATION NOTES ONCE AGAIN STATION NEWS

DEC. 15 - 22, 1995 –

THE STATION’S NEWEST APPLE, ‘FORTUNE,’ WILL BE OFFICIALLY INTRODUCED AT THE ANNUAL NEW YORK STATE HORTICULTURAL SHOW TO BE HELD NEXT MONTH IN ROCHESTER.

MAY 17- 24, 1996 –

TWO NEW GRAPE VARIETIES, ‘TRAMINETTE’ AND ‘MARQUIS’ WILL BE OFFICIALLY RELEASED AT THE 4TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON COOL CLIMATE VITICULTURE AND ENOLOGY IN ROCHESTER IN JULY.

FEB. 21 - 28, 1997 –

THE WORLD WIDE WEB (WWW) IS A NEW PUBLISHING MEDIUM THAT HAS GREAT POTENTIAL VALUE FOR THE STATION FOR FACULTY, STAFF AND GRAD STUDENTS INVOLVED IN THE THREE-PRONGED STATION MISSION OF RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND EXTENSION.

JAN. 23 - 30, 1998 –

AT THIS YEAR’S ANNUAL NYS HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING, RANDY WOROBO UNVEILED A FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE TO THERMAL PASTEURIZATION—ULTRAVIOLET LIGHT—THAT HAS SHOWN VERY PROMISING RESULTS IN PRELIMINARY TESTING.

FEB. 13 - 20, 1998 –

TWO NEW RASPBERRY VARIETIES, ‘ENCORE’ AND ‘PRELUDE’ WERE INTRODUCED BY STATION FRUIT BREEDERS DURING THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NEW YORK STATE-RASPBERRY GROWERS ON FEB. 10.

JUNE 11-18, 1999 –

PLANS TO DEVELOP A RESEARCH PARK FOR AGRICULTURE AND FOOD COMPANIES ON THE SOUTHERN PERIMETER OF THE EXPERIMENT STATION CAMPUS CONTINUED TO UNFOLD DURING TWO IMPORTANT MEETINGS HELD IN GENEVA AND ITHACA LAST WEEK.

APRIL 7 - 14, 2000 –

WINE MAKING AND BEER BREWING SCIENCE ARE THE FOCUS OF CORNELL’S NEWEST RESEARCH FACILITY THAT CELEBRATED ITS GRAND OPENING AT THE EXPERIMENT STATION ON MARCH 31.

SEPT. 28 - OCT. 5, 2001 –

ON SEPTEMBER 20, AT NOON, MEMBERS OF THE STATION FAMILY GATHERED AT THE PAVILION BEHIND JORDAN HALL TO SHARE THEIR THOUGHTS WITH OTHERS ABOUT THE TRAGEDY OF SEPTEMBER 11. MEMBERS OF THE STATION’S DEPARTMENTS AND UNITS HAD SIGNED THEIR NAMES AND WRITTEN THEIR SENTIMENTS ON RED, WHITE AND BLUE BANNERS THAT WERE HUNG FROM THE RAFTERS OF THE PAVILION.

AUG. 9 - 16, 2002 –

TWO NEW SWEET CHERRIES, BLACK-GOLD AND WHITEGOLD WERE RELEASED BY CORNELL FRUIT BREEDERS DURING THE CORNELL FRUIT FIELD DAY ON AUGUST 1.

JULY 4 - 11, 2003 –

CORNELL FRUIT BREEDER COURTNEY WEBER NAMED TWO NEW STRAWBERRIES ‘L’AMOUR’ AND ‘CLANCY’ AFTER HIS FAVORITE TWO AUTHORS.

APR. 23 - MAY 7, 2004 –

OFFICIALS, INCLUDING GOV. PATAKI, BROKE GROUND FRIDAY, APRIL 16 FOR THE 72-ACRE CORNELL AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND TECHNOLOGY PARK.

DEC. 2 - 16, 2005 –

CORNELL UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS WERE JOINED WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, BY GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS LEADERS TO DEDICATE “THE TECHNOLOGY FARM,” THE BRAND NEW, 72-ACRE RESEARCH PARK LOCATED NEXT TO THE EXPERIMENT STATION CAMPUS.

JULY 21 - AUG 4, 2006 –

CORNELL OFFICIALLY DEBUTED THREE NEW WINE GRAPES ON JULY 10, 2006. THE THREE—NOIRET, COROT NOIR, AND VALVIN MUSCAT—ARE BROADLY ADAPTED TO THE WINE-GROWING REGIONS IN THE EAST AND COOL NORTHWEST.

SEPT. 21 - OCT. 5, 2007 –

AFTER MORE THAN A YEAR OF PLANNING, SEPTEMBER 15TH FINALLY ARRIVED. THE MAIN EVENT IN THE STATION’S 125TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR CAME OFF WITHOUT A HITCH, AND IT BECAME CLEARLY EVIDENT EVEN BEFORE THE DAY WAS OVER THAT IT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!

APRIL 25 - MAY 9, 2008 –

CORNELL HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO LAUNCH A 2,400-SQUARE-FOOT TEACHING WINERY AT THE CORNELL ORCHARDS THIS FALL TO ENHANCE THE EDUCATION OF TOMORROWS ENOLOGISTS AND VITICULTURISTS.