

# STATION NEWS

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LEO A. MUCKLE

It is with profound regret that we note the death last Sunday of Leo Muckle, Assistant County Agent Leader at the College. Mr. Muckle was a familiar figure around the Station, especially with those members of the Staff having to do with problems related to the fruit industry. Leo was born near Potter, N. Y., in 1892 and was a graduate of Cornell, class of 1916. For several years he was County Agent in Niagara County where Dr. Hervey served as his assistant before coming to the Station. Mrs. Hervey was Home Demonstration Agent in Niagara County at the same time. It will be difficult indeed to find anyone as well-informed on matters pertaining to fruit growing in New York State as was Mr. Muckle. His sound judgement and pleasing personality made and held a host of friends. We extend our sincere sympathy to the family. Several members of the Station Staff plan to attend the services at the Holy Rosary Church in Rochester today.

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## A WAR EMERGENCY NUMBER

The April number of Farm Research is going into the mails this week. The issue is predominantly an account of Station work relating to various problems raised by the emergency. Substitutes for orchard fertilizers no longer available, readjustments in spray and dust formulas made necessary by shortages, new "starter" solution formulas dictated by the emergency, the latest in seed protectants, the new dehydration work with fruits and vegetables, are some of the subjects receiving attention.

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## FARM MEETINGS

Two large groups of farmers met in Jordan Hall yesterday. One had to do with AAA wheat allotments and the other with the cabbage situation as related to Ontario County producers.

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## CORPORAL GORDON PARROTT

The other day the Director received a copy of the Clay Center Dispatch published in Clay Center, Kansas, which carried front page headlines to the effect that "Clay Center Pays Tribute to War Hero" and went on to relate how Corporal Gordon Parrott (the Director's nephew) had released depth charges which sunk an Axis sub on the east coast about ten days ago. Corporal Parrott is a bombardier on an Army bomber.

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## LECTURING AT PURDUE

Dr. Dahlberg is scheduled to appear on a dairy institute program at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind., the first of next week and will go from there to a similar meeting at Ohio State University at Columbus. The Dahlborgs will return to Geneva about the 10th.

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## FEATURED

Without naming names, Dr. Kortesz's pectin work is mentioned in a feature article in the April number of the Ladies Home Journal describing the development of concentrated orange juice at the plant where Zoltan is working.

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## RECUPERATING

We are glad to note that Onmolce Greene is recovering satisfactorily from injuries sustained in an automobile accident near the Station last Thursday. She is expected to leave the hospital within a few days.

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## BILL WALSH BACK

Bill Walsh returned to his laboratory Monday and from all appearances in his same robust self again.

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## IN BOSTON

Dr. Tressler is attending meetings of the American Institute of Nutrition in Boston this week. He will present a report on the influence of blanching on the nutritive values of dehydrated vegetables.

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## CHEESE MAKERS

Dr. Yale and Mr. Marquardt attended the 33rd annual meeting of the New York State Cheese Makers Association in Cuba last Monday, where they discussed cheese factory requirements as outlined by the National Cheese Institute.

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## STATE FAIR CANCELLED

The 1942 State Fair has been definitely suspended and the Army has already begun to move in to take possession of the buildings and grounds. This will be the first year in the 102-year history of the Fair that that event has not been held. Last year's exposition drew an all-time attendance record of 380,000 visitors.

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## HORT SOCIETY PROCEEDINGS

The Proceedings of the 1942 meetings of the New York State Horticultural Society were received the other day and a limited supply is now available in the Editor's office. Among those from the Station with contributions in the current volume are Dr. Chapman, Dr. Dean, Dr. Hamilton, Dr. Hammer, Mr. Harman, and Mr. Hartzell. Ed Smith is also listed as having presented reports on peach borer control and the oriental fruit moth, altho the papers were actually presented by others due to Ed's engagement with Uncle Sam.

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## NEW DIRECTORY

A new directory of Cornell University with completely revised telephone numbers has just come from the printer. All calls now go thru the University switchboard, Ithaca 3331, with extension numbers listed in the directory.

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## THE BREEDS ARE MOVING NORTH

In a recent letter, Dr. Breed reports an interesting visit to the Federal Regional Laboratory in New Orleans and to the Sugar Experiment Station in Houma, La. On his way north, he plans to visit the Regional Laboratory at Peoria, Ill., where Mr. Haynes is located. He also plans to stop at the Regional Laboratory in Philadelphia on his way from Washington to New York City.

During his absence the work of the Inter American Committee for the Dairy Industry has been made a federal project supervised by the U. S. Bureau of Dairy Industry and Dr. Breed has been called to Washington and New York for a report on the work accomplished in Cuba and Mexico. The Breeds expect to be back in Geneva May 2.

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## GROUP INSURANCE

Notice has come from Albany that the group accident and sickness insurance sold by the Association of State Civil Service Employees will carry a war "rider" after May 1 which relieves the insurance company of any liability caused by war or an act of war. Until that time policies will be written on the old basis, and of course policies already in force are unaffected by the ruling. For further details of the plan and rates, see Miss Jessie Sperry.

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## BUY DEFENSE BONDS AND STAMPS