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" And there's never a blade nor a leaf too mean
to be some happy creature's place."

Goodfellow

NEW MEMBERS: We welcome two new members into our Society:

Mrs. Leslie Moffatt, Research Station, Agriculture
Canada, Saskatoon

John Gruszka, Prov. Apiarist, Saskatchewan Agric.,
Prince Albert, Saskatchewan

MEMBERSHIP LIST: I will send a new list out early in the New
Year. So if have changed or intend to change or
know of someone who has changed his or her address,
please let me know soon.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING:

All those present enjoyed the very good presentations on
honey (Cameron Jay, U. of M. Manitoba) leaf-cutter (Phil Curry,
Agr. Can. Melfort) and bumble bees (Harvey Craig, Agric. Can.,
Saskatoon), and another one on honey bees (John Gruszka (the
Provincial Apiarist in Price Albert), as well as the good
fellowship.

SUMMARY OF THE BUSINESS MEETING:

1. SASKATCHEWAN INSECT SURVEY: The new and correct
Saskatchewan Outline Maps are ready and waiting to be
used; as well as templates and an india ink pens
so that symbols can be placed ready for printing. Phil
Curry asked for some maps and is doing the bees of
Saskatchewan.
2. JOINT MEETING WITH THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF CANADA
The Sheraton (in Regina) is booked for 1 - 5 October '83.
Committees as they stand so far:
General Chairman: Paul Riegert
Local Arrangements: Peter Harris
Program: Murray Maw (Chairman), Jim Jowsey, Larry
Burgess
Finance: Diether Peschken (Chairman), Harvey Craig,
Al Ewen.

Theme: Biological Control (maybe all methods to save on
pesticides) seems to be the most favoured suggestion
as of today.

Suggestions on any phase of this big event and
volunteers to serve on any of the committees (publicity,
registration, etc.) are welcome.

3. MICROSCOPES

Warren Steck and Cedric Gilloft reported that the
University of Sask. turns over all surplus equipment
to the Central Clearing Office. Items can only be
obtained by bidding. It was decided there was no use
to pursue the matter any further.

4. STUDENT AND AMATEURS ENCOURAGEMENT

Cedric Gillott and John Doane organized and led an entomological field trip for the Saskatchewan Branch of the Natural History Society on June 20th. At least one dozen attended.

A talk at the Saskatoon Public Library on Sat. May 2nd 1981 was only attended by six (Joey Doane and five friends).

A talk on insects was given by John Doane to the grade IV class at the Bishop Roborecki School on May 1st, 1981. Many questions were asked.

Congratulations to an active committee.

5. FINANCE

We again ended in the black, to the tune of \$ 660.

Thus annual membership dues stay the same, for the 5th consecutive year. No inflation here!

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D U E S A R E D U E

(payable each year at the time of the Annual Meeting)

So please, send me your cheque. Regular \$ 5.00
Student \$ 2.00

6. TEACHING ENTOMOLOGY

There is a feeling that this is not adequately covered at the undergraduate level.

A. Arthur, H. Fredeen and C. Gillott agreed to prepare a position paper in this regard for our Spring Meeting (See, we are already thinking of spring).

7. NEW EXECUTIVE

PRESIDENT: Warren Steck, Prairie Regional Laboratory
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SASKATOON, Sask. S7N 0W9

VICE-PRESIDENT: Cedric Gillott, Dept. of Biology,
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SECR.-TREAS.: Diether Peschken; Res. Station, Agric.
Canada, Box 440, REGINA, Sask. S4P 3A2.

PERSONALIA: John and Martha Doane left for Auckland, New Zealand, where John accepted a transfer of work for one year at the Owairaka Research Centre. The Entomology Section of the Saskatoon Station held a noon luncheon in their honour.

NEW RECORDS OF INSECTS IN SASKATCHEWAN

non Hooper reports:

Noctuidae: Catocala ultronia (Hübner) - One specimen taken at sugar bait on ash, Fort Qu'Appelle, Sask., July 27, 1981. One other one was seen. This is the first Saskatchewan record. This eastern species had been previously collected west to Musavick and Rosebank, Manitoba. The food plant is cherries.

Notodontidae: Schizura badia (Packard) - One specimen collected at ultra violet light trap in elm bluff along the Windy River, 26 June 1981. This species has been taken from eastern North America westward to Cartwright, Manitoba. This appears to be the first Saskatchewan record. The food plant is bush cranberries (Viburnum).

Geometridae: Apocia confusaria (Hübner) - One specimen collected at light trap at Roche Percée Campsite, June 26, 1980. This is the farthest west reported record. The species has been previously taken as far west as Aweme, Manitoba. The caterpillars feed on a variety of Composite plants as well as on clover.

Noctuidae: Papaipema circumlucens (Smith) (P. humuli (Bird)) Two specimens were collected at light traps at Roche Percée Campsite, August 13, 1980. The species has been previously collected as far west as Ninette, Manitoba. The females oviposit on hops stems causing a gall to form.

Bulia deducta (Morrison) (The Mexican Moth) - One specimen was collected at a light trap south east of Wadena, Saskatchewan on July 14, 1980. This species occurs in Mexico and the southern States of the United States. From there it strays northward. There is one record for Kaslo, British Columbia, and one for the Calgary area of Alberta. B. deducta is a species of the sub-family Erebinae. Two other species of Erebinae stray into Saskatchewan from the southern United States: Erebus odora (Linnaeus) (The Black Witch Moth) (at least seven records) and Thysania zenobia (Dalm.) (one record for Regina).

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This is all the news I know for now. Please send me some new News for the next Newsletter.

Sincerely yours

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Secretary-Treasurer