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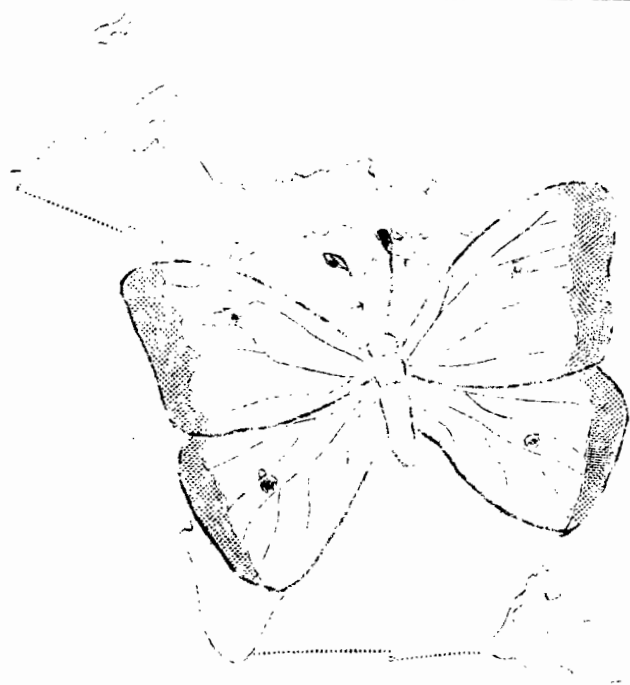
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DETROIT BRANCH NEWS NOTES

After the beginning of the fall semester at Wayne, the steering committee of Beeton, Steyskal, DeGiusti, and Gangwere met to discuss this year's program. Among the items decided upon was that the regular meetings are to be scheduled for the second Tuesday of each month.

The first meeting of the fall semester was held on Tuesday, October 16, at which time George Steyskal led a discussion about certain common garden insects which he brought in for examination by the group. Approximately eight persons attended. On Tuesday, November 20, Irving Cantrall showed his excellent kodachrome slides taken during his recent expedition to Guatemala. Twenty-two persons attended. The most recent meeting, Tuesday, December 11, featured Ed Komondy's illustrated talk on the use of the new systematics in the Odonata. Komondy's talk was enthusiastically received by the fifteen in attendance.

David Cook, who last spring was elected chairman of the local steering committee, has left for a two year stay in Liberia under the auspices of the United States Public Health Service. He will supervise several phases of malaria control in Liberia.

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EAST LANSING BRANCH NEWS NOTES

A meeting of the East Lansing branch was held on November 2. The program consisted of a talk by W. E. Houk on the entomological literature available at the library. R. R. Dreisbach also spoke on his check list of Michigan insects. Both talks were enthusiastically received by the eighteen in attendance.

This fall has seen quite a change in our membership roster. Bill Miller has left for Europe and is conducting studies on the biology and taxonomy of the micro-Lepidoptera. Herman King is on sabbatical leave at the University of California and is working on insect toxicology. E. C. Martin has a leave of absence to take advanced work in apiculture at Cornell University. Paul Slabaugh has recently been transferred by the Forest Service to North Dakota to head a new laboratory. Adalberto Figueroa completed his work toward the M.S. degree in the taxonomy of the scale insects (Coccoidea) and has since returned to Columbia.

New faces to the group include Dean Haines and Arnold Drooz, both connected with the Lake States Forest Research Laboratory, Rudy Scheibner, and Bob Soles.

T. W. Porter and R. L. Fischer have both received grants from the All University Research Fund for their research work. Porter, to work on the taxonomy of the aquatic and semi-aquatic Hemiptera, and Fischer, to continue his research on the biology and taxonomy of the native bees of Michigan and neighboring states.

Among those in attendance at the International Congress of Entomology meetings at Montreal this past summer included: Wm. A. Drew, Arnold Drooz, R. L. Fischer, Paul Flink, Ron Hodges, John Knierim, Wayne Porter, and Rudy Scheibner. At the close of the meetings R. L. Fischer, Bill Drew, and Ron Hodges conducted a collecting trip through Quebec, Ontario, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, and New York. Three days, which proved to be three very cold days, were spent in the Laurentides Park area of Quebec. Some 12,000 specimens were brought back.

R. R. Dreisbach, of Midland, writes of his own collecting trip into Mexico this past summer. We spent thirteen weeks on the trip, of which ten were spent in Mexico. We had a very fine time and got 15,000 pinned insects and 2000 papered and in alcohol.

We went into Mexico at Nogales on the West coast, then to Mazatlan, Tepic, the jungles of San Blas, Guadalajara, and Manzanillo on the west coast. Then we went east to Morelia, Toluca, and Mexico City, to the Pyramids, Puebla, Orizaba, Vera Cruz, Alvarado, Jalapa, back to Mexico City, down to Cuernavaca and to Taxco (the silver city), back to Mexico City and on up and out at Loredo. On the way to Nogales we went to Estes Park, down along the Rocky Mountains to New Mexico and to the Southwestern Research Station at Portal, Arizona, and then to Tucson and Nogales. My wife helped me collect and collected almost as many as I did.

We hope to go down next year in September, October, and November to Mexico, Yucatan, or some parts of Central America.

ANN ARBOR BRANCH NEWS NOTES

The 1956-57 program of the Ann Arbor branch opened Thursday evening, November 8, with 35 people attending. Chairman T. H. Hubbell opened the meeting by regretfully submitting his resignation under the pressure of increased museum duties. In view of the fact that Vice-Chairman Marston Bates is away this year, elections were held to fill the vacancies. Edward J. Kormondy was elected Chairman and Thomas E. Moore, Vice-Chairman. There was no further business.

First on the program was a discussion by Thomas Moore on the periodical cicadas, which included a tap recording of the songs of Magicicada casinii and M. septendecim. Henry Townes then conducted the group on an entomological tour of the Philippines via kodachrome slides. Following this portion of the program a call was made for news, reports, and interesting "finds".

Enthusiastic reporting by our younger Lepidopterists included the following noteworthy comments:

Tom Pliske and Art Slater reported a state-record of Atrytone duksii caught near Ann Arbor; this species was known previously from Alabama, Virginia, and Ohio. Tom Pliske also reported a state-record of Poanes zabulon, the specimen caught near Ann Arbor and probably a stray.

Stephen Hubbell reported a capture north of Manistique of Boloria frigga, supposedly subspecies saga. The specimen will be sent to Klots, who suggests it may be a new subspecies. Ed Voss and Herb Wagner made additional comments on this

"find", apparently the first from the United States.

Stanley Gangwere and Paul Kannoowski have both finished their work for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. Gangwere is now located at Wayne State University and Kannoowski is now at Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio.

Ed. Mockford is now at the Illinois Natural History Survey laboratory at Urbana where he plans to begin work on his Ph.D. at the University of Illinois.

Irving Cantrall, T. H. Hubbell, Ed. Mockford, Henry Townes, and Mrs. Townes attended the Tenth International Congress of Entomology at Montreal this past summer. Tom Moore also attended and presented a paper, and Hubbell presided at one of the sessions on taxonomy.

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FUTURE MEETINGS

Ann Arbor Branch:

Jan. 10, 1957, 7:30 P.M., 3024 Museums Bldg.,
University of Michigan, with the following
program:

Tom Pliske -- On studying Hesperiiidae (Lepidoptera)
in Washtenaw County.

Stephen Hubbell -- Preparing an insect exhibit for
secondary schools.

Kirby Hays -- Ticks and tularemia: Studies in
experimental transmission.

ROSTER OF MEMBERS

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(Economic entomology, especially stored
grain insects and their control.)

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1827 Chandler, Ann Arbor, Mich.

(Taxonomy of the Rhyncophora (Coleoptera),
and the evolution of categories in insects).

Angle, Robert H.

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Batts, H. Lewis

Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, Mich.

(Ecological aspects of distribution).

Beyer, A. H.

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(Orthoptera: Blattidae, Acrididae; Diptera:
Trypetinae; Coleoptera: Trogoderma,
Carabidae, Scarabaeidae; Hymenoptera:
Tenthredinidae, Ichneumonidae.)

Bonar, John M.

Box 3331 Jefferson Station, Detroit 14,
Mich.

(Control of bark beetles).

Cantrall, Irving J.

E. S. George Reserve, Pinckney, Mich.

(Taxonomy of Orthoptera).

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- Cohn, Theodore J.
2031 Museum of Zoology, Univ. of Mich., Ann
Arbor, Mich.
(Systematics of the Orthoptera).
- Cranbrook Institute of Science
Bloomfield Hills, Mich.
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Dept. of Biology, Wayne State University,
Detroit 2, Mich.
(Arthropods of medical importance).
- Dittmer, Fred
181 Scio Church Rd., Ann Arbor, Mich.
(The honeybee and its habits).
- Dreisbach, Robert E.
301 Helen Street, Midland, Mich.
(Pompilid wasps and Michigan insects.)
- Drew, William A.
Dept. of Entomology, Michigan State Univ.,
East Lansing, Mich.
(Diptera, especially those of medical
importance, also the genus Hylemya (Muscidae).
- Ellis, Robert J.
University Museums Annex, Ann Arbor, Mich.
(Biology and taxonomy of aquatic insects).
- Figueroa, Adalberto
Facultad de Agronomie, Palmira, Columbia, S.A.
(Taxonomy of the Homoptera).
- Fischer, Roland L.
Dept. of Entomology, Mich. St. Univ.,
East Lansing, Mich.
(Biology & Taxonomy of Aculeate Hymenoptera).

Gangwere, S. K.

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(Ecology and feeding habits of Orthoptera
and their allies).

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(Taxonomy).

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(Taxonomy of the Cerambycidae).

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and photomicrography of insects.)

Haines, Robert G.

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University, East Lansing, Michigan.
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Hammer, O. H.

American Legion Building, Dow Chemical
Company, Midland, Michigan.

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School of Natural Resources, University
of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan
(Taxonomy and ecology of the biting
Diptera, especially Tabanidae. The role
of insects and other arthropods as
vectors of diseases.)

Hodges, Ronald W.

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(Taxonomy of the Lepidoptera).

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East Lansing, Michigan.
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economic entomology of ornamental and
greenhouse plants; insect toxicology).

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Biological Sciences Division of the Library,
Michigan State University, East Lansing, Mich.
(History of entomology, entomological and
other biological science literature.)

Hubbell, Theodore H.

University Museums, University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.
(Taxonomy and distribution of Orthoptera).

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(Teaching of general entomology).

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(Economic entomology).

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sprays, agricultural chemicals; taxonomy
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- Leonard, Fannie A.
Natural Science Dept., Michigan State Univ.,
East Lansing, Michigan.
- Leonard, Justin W.
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Michigan.
(Aquatic insects).
- Lewis, Elwyn G.
427 E. Rankin St., Flint 5, Michigan.
(Rear and collect larvae of Lepidoptera,
photography of life cycles.)
- Manns, Marshall M.
Michigan Chemical Corporation, Saint
Louis, Michigan.
(Economic entomology).
- McReynolds, Malcolm
251 Sparten, East Lansing, Michigan.
(Economic entomology).
- Miller, William E.
Akademische Auslandsamt, Papendieck 16,
Göttingen, West Germany.
(Systematics and ecology of Olethreutidae
and gall making Lepidoptera).
- Moore, Thomas E.
University Museums, University of Michigan,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.
(Taxonomy of the Homoptera).

Newman, John H.
9821 Peer Rd., South Lyon, Michigan.
(Collection and determination of Michigan
Lepidoptera).

Nielsen, Mogens C.
3415 Overlea Drive, Lansing 17, Michigan.
(Collecting, rearing, exchanging, and
determination of Michigan Lepidoptera).

Niemczyk, Harry D.
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Olson, Ada L.
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Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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aquatic Hemiptera).

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(General entomology and insect photography).

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(General entomology).
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insect behavior, especially epigamy).
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- Stone, Paul E. ✓
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Hymenoptera, especially the Apoidea).

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(Diurnal Lepidoptera of Michigan).

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FUTURE MEETINGS

East Lansing Branch:

Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1957, 8:00 P.M., 401
Natural Science Building, Michigan State
University.

Justin W. Leonard of the Michigan Dept. of Conser-
vation will be on the program and will show
colored slides of trout stream insects and dis-
cuss both the insects and photo methods.