

## NEWS AND NOTES

August 14, 1950

DR. DONALD L. COLLINS  
 EDITOR: MOSQUITO NEWS  
 NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM  
 ALBANY, N. Y.  
 Dear Dr. Collins:

The enclosed photograph taken on July 14, 1950 commemorated the visit of Dr. Fred C. Bishopp to the Bureau of Mosquito Control in Hawaii. Our staff of 24 mosquito workers are organized into a club called the "Hui O' Makika." *Hui* is Hawaiian for the "club." The word *Makika* is an adaptation of the word "mosquito," as there is no word in the Hawaiian language for this pestiferous creature, which was first introduced to the islands in 1826.

Dr. Bishopp is holding a native dish, hand-carved out of koa, a Hawaiian wood famous for its beauty.

The inscription on it states that Dr. Bishopp has been elected the first honorary member of our Hui O' Makika.

On one side of Dr. Bishopp stands Engineer B. J. McMorrow, director of the Division of Sanitation and on the other side is Dr. Stephen M. K. Hu, chief of the Bureau of Mosquito Control. The rest is part of our mosquito inspectors. Mosquito work in Hawaii is carried on by the Health Department. All three of our local species of mosquitoes, *Culex quinquefasciatus*, *Aedes aegypti*, and *Aedes albopictus* are potential vectors of some mosquito-borne diseases.



Election of Dr. Fred C. Bishopp to Honorary Membership in Hui O' Makika—July 4, 1950—  
 Honolulu, Hawaii

Standing from left to right: Robert T. Mikuni, Mr. B. J. McMorrow, Dr. Fred C. Bishopp, Dr. Stephen Hu, William Nakahara, Wallace Pang, Shigerni Kawamoto. Kneeling: Robert Kageyama, Richard Takeuchi, Yoshiwo Shimabukuro, Terry Doi, Theodore Inouye, Herbert Yonamura, Chizuo Hisatake, Tomio Mukaida. Sitting: Ray Shimabuku, Toshio Tomosei, Willard Yamamoto, William Ouchi.

We are very interested in the activities of mosquito control organizations and workers from the mainland. Seventeen of us are members of the American Mosquito Control Association. We are sending one or two delegates to the next annual conference at Chicago.

Dr. Bishopp addressed a public meeting of representatives from civic organizations during his survey of insect control activities in Hawaii. His talk given on July 14 was entitled "The Importance of Mosquito Control in the Pacific Area." He stressed the danger of Japanese B encephalitis, which spread to Guam during the last war. As our local *Culex* species is a potential carrier, we are trying to prevent Japanese B encephalitis using Hawaii as a stepping stone to the West Coast.

We like to keep in touch with our fellow mosquito control workers on the mainland. Please let other members of the Association know that any pamphlets, posters, handbills, and other educational material on mosquito control will be much appreciated.

Please extend my Aloha to the many fine acquaintances I had the pleasure of enjoying at Virginia Beach, Atlantic City, and Berkeley.

Sincerely yours,

Stephen M. K. Hu, Sc.D. in Hyg.  
Chief

Bureau of Mosquito Control

L. J. BRUCE-CHWATT, of Lagos, Nigeria, was in Scotland on August 17, writing to say that he expected to be in the U. S. A. in September. We all hope that Dr. Chwatt will make his stay long, and that he will visit many mosquito control projects while here.

H. L. T.

DR. ALLEN WEST, one of our newer AMCA members, and his wife were in Washington, D. C., on route to Florida in August. Dr. West visited the N. I. H. in Bethesda, and Entomology down at Agriculture in D. C. Both Allen and Mary Lou hope to be with the AMCA group in Chicago next February. They live in Kingston, Ontario, Canada, where Dr. West teaches in the Department of Zoology at Queen's University.

H. L. T.

DR. LEO KARTMAN, recently a student at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md., visited the National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md., the first part of October. He was en route to Helena, Arkansas, where he will be in charge of the laboratory of the Communicable Disease Center, U. S. Public Health Service. This laboratory will be concerned mainly with studies on the epidemiology and recession of malaria. Dr. Kartman's wife and young son will accompany him.

H. L. T.

BILL PERRY (LIEUTENANT COMMANDER (MSC) USN) has been assigned by the Office of Naval Research to become assistant scientific liaison officer for the medical sciences between the United States, Great Britain, and Western Europe. He

has offered to act as an intermediary to contact specific workers in the biological sciences in universities and research institutes in this area. His office address at the American Embassy is:

LCDR William J. Perry (MSC) USN  
Office of Naval Research, Branch Office  
Navy #100

F. P. O., New York City

Bill will leave for London on November 26, 1950, for permanent change of station, to serve in this new billet recently established by the Navy Department. He was very enthusiastic during his visit to Washington and Bethesda, and was most interested in extending an invitation to AMCA members to contact him, both by mail and in person, if possible. So when you go to London, fellow members, remember this!

H. L. T.

BERNARD V. TRAVIS stopped by Washington and Bethesda en route from Florida to Ithaca, N. Y., where he is on the faculty of Cornell University. "Barney" teaches Medical Entomology, Wildlife Parasitology, and General Parasitology; and he seems to be enjoying it immensely. He went back to Alaska this past summer for a short time on mosquito investigations.

H. L. T.

RICHARD F. DARSIE, JR., whose article on mosquito pupae was reviewed in last month's "MOSQUITO NEWS," is now located at the University of Delaware. He and Donald MacCreary, both AMCA members, visited Bethesda and Washington recently. Dr. Darsie continues to be interested in pupal skins and will welcome additional species. He may be addressed at: Department of Entomology, Agricultural Experiment Station, University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware.

H. L. T.

DR. PAUL F. RUSSELL, Malaria Adviser of the International Health Division of The Rockefeller Foundation and Chairman of the World Health Organization Expert Committee on Malaria, will attend the WHO African Malaria Conference and a meeting of the Expert Committee, both in Kampala, Uganda, November 27 to December 11. Following these meetings, at the request of the WHO he will visit other areas of British East Africa, the Belgian Congo, French Equatorial Africa, and British West Africa. Dr. Russell will then establish his headquarters at the Superior Institute of Public Health, Viale Regina Margherita 299, Rome, Italy, as the International Health Division representative in Italy.

DR. HARRY S. PRATT, a member of the American Mosquito Control Association, and chief of the Medical Entomology Section, Communicable Disease Center, Atlanta, Georgia, was included in a five-man Public Health team and assigned to the Economic Cooperation Administration's Special Technical and Economic Mission to the associated states of Indo China—Viet-Nam, Laos, and Cambodia. The first project of the mission

will be a malaria control program which will include an intensive spraying of DDT in the Hanoi and Saigon regions. H. H. S.

THE CALIFORNIA MOSQUITO CONTROL ASSOCIATION has offered the facilities of the mosquito abatement districts in California to the West Coast military authorities for practical field training in mosquito control practices. A considerable amount of this type of work was done by the Alameda County district during the period 1942-1945, for both commissioned and non-commissioned personnel, principally in the Medical Corps and Hospital Corps of the Navy.

At present six or seven districts are sufficiently staffed and equipped with laboratory facilities and widely varied field problems so that no excessive burden will fall on any one district.

Harold F. Gray, Engineer-Manager of the Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District, has been appointed by the Executive Board of the Association to correlate these activities with such requests as may be received from the Sixth Army Surgeon and the District Medical Officers of the 11th and 12th Naval Districts. H. L. T.

The 1951 meeting of the Utah Mosquito Abatement Association will be held in the Union Building, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, on March 19-20, 1951. This will make it possible to attend the A.M.C.A. meetings in Chicago March 5-8, the C.M.C.A. meetings at the Mission Inn, Riverside, California, on March 12-14, and the U.M.A.A. meetings in Salt Lake City on March 19-20. Don. M. Rees

AT THE 33RD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL MALARIA SOCIETY, held in Savannah, Georgia, November 6-10, 1950, the following officers were elected for 1951:

President—Dr. Justin M. Andrews, Atlanta, Georgia

President-Elect—Mr. W. H. W. Komp, Bethesda, Maryland

Vice-President—Dr. E. L. Bishop, Chattanooga, Tennessee

Secretary-Treasurer—Dr. S. W. Simmons, Savannah, Georgia

Editor—Dr. G. R. Coatney, Bethesda, Maryland.  
Martin D. Young, Nat. Malaria Society

Ottawa, December 1, 1950—At the eighty-seventh annual meeting of the Entomological Society of Ontario, held at Guelph on November 1-3, 1950, it was decided to form a national society, to be called the Entomological Society of Canada. The new society will serve as a link between the various regional societies, namely, the Acadian Entomological Society, the Entomological Society of Ontario, the Entomological Society of Manitoba, the Entomological Society of British Columbia, the proposed entomological society of Quebec, and others that may be established. *The Canadian Entomologist* will be published jointly by the Ontario and the national societies, Dr. W. R. Thompson continuing as Editor, with Dr. G. C. Ullyett as Associate Editor.

W. A. Ross, Division of Entomology, Ottawa, was elected President and Professor A. W. Baker, Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, Vice-President. R. H. Wigmore and A. B. Baird, Division of Entomology, Ottawa, have been named Secretary and Treasurer respectively. The Directors comprise the presidents of the regional societies, namely, D. D. Pond, Fredericton, N. B.; W. N. Keenan, Ottawa, Ont.; C. A. Smith, Winnipeg, Man.; and Prof. G. J. Spencer, Vancouver, B. C.; as well as Father O. Fournier, President, Montreal Branch of the Entomological Society of Ontario; Dr. C. W. Farstad, Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Lethbridge, Alta.; and Dr. A. S. West, Queen's University, Kingston, Ont.

The annual meeting of the national society will always be held jointly with the annual meeting of one of the regional societies. In 1951, the combined meetings will be held at Ottawa.—W. A. Ross

*Perry W. Ruth, Past President of the AMCA, the Virginia MCA, and now technical advisor for mosquito control in the City of Norfolk, continues to be tremendously interested in the education of the public along mosquito control lines, and in the guidance and encouragement of young mosquito workers. This past summer, he led a group of young college men, who were assigned to various duties as employees of the Norfolk City Mosquito Control Commission. Some surveyed and prepared maps of marshes for subsequent filling; some operated fogging machines; while others did house-to-house mosquito inspection. The young men who were employed for approximately 14 weeks appear in the accompanying picture.—H. L. T. (See page 253)*