

## ASSOCIATION NEWS

**SIDE LIGHTS OF THE DAYTONA BEACH MEETING.** The official proceedings of the annual meeting will be duly reported to the membership elsewhere in MOSQUITO NEWS, but for those who could not be there the following items may be of interest.

The Association is indebted to Sam Minnich and his Committee on Arrangements for an outstanding display of hospitality. The work of a local committee usually involves a great deal of drudgery which sometimes is not fully appreciated. The meetings were held in the Ocean Room of the Sheraton Plaza (which hotel is also called Sheraton-Beach). A large picture window with a view of the Atlantic dominates this room.

The program lists the names of the thirty companies which had exhibits. These companies also contributed generously to two hospitality hours. The Florida Association and Florida Districts also were hosts. A fish fry on the beach was also a pleasant feature, and the hush-puppies will be long remembered. The dance on the evening of April 15 was well attended.

Harry Stage, Charlie Foulk, and Frank Steinrock conspired to raise money for the Good Neighbor Club at the Hospitality Hour preceding the banquet. Tickets were sold and a number was drawn from a hat. The winner, Mr. Jesse B. Leslie of Bergen County, N. J., very generously, though apparently involuntarily,

donated his winning pot, so that the Good Neighbor Club reaped \$103.00.

At the banquet, Toastmaster Sam Minnich was in fine form, but he introduced so many people that he didn't have time to tell many stories. Souvenirs were envelopes containing "A Positive Killer of All Types of Resistant Mosquitoes. . . . Anyone can use it. . . . Recommended by the President, of the Florida Anti-Mosquito Association." Of course the envelopes contained fly-swatters.

In the lobby of the hotel, orange juice was supplied through the generosity of a Florida member. It was especially enjoyed by the large delegation of Californians.

Among the members whose pictures were featured on the front pages of the Daytona Beach newspapers were Helen Louise Trembley, Bill Komp, Rowland Dorer, Lester Smith, Ted Raley, Dr. Twinn and Dr. Bishopp.

THE FLORIDA ANTI-MOSQUITO ASSOCIATION at the Daytona Beach Meeting elected the following officers:

President—J. Melton Williams, Sarasota  
 President-elect—Dr. Maurice Provost, Fla. State Board of Health, Orlando  
 Vice-President—Edward M. Becton, Vero Beach  
 Secretary—John A. Mulrennan, Fla. State Board of Health, Jacksonville

Two of our well-known members have died during the past few weeks, but MOSQUITO NEWS does not yet have full particulars.

Deed C. Thurman, Jr., Captain, U. S. Public Health Service, died April 18 in Chiangmai, Thailand, according to word received in Washington, D. C.

"D. C.," who for the past two years had been employed by the U. S. STEM (Scientific, Technical, Economic Mission) to Thailand, on a malaria control project, was planning to leave for home May 7, with his wife Ernestine, and their young daughter. On March 27, Ernestine, discussing the project in a personal letter, wrote:

"Plans are formulated to expand the program to include 5,000,000 people next year. Even

with this great improvement in the health of the nation, there is yet much to be done. However, we are coming home with a feeling of gratification, knowing that we have contributed a bit to the betterment of a nation and for the security of the people of free countries."—H. L. T.

J. Lyell Clarke, Sanitary Engineer, The Desplains Valley Mosquito Abatement District, died shortly after the meetings, on May 5, 1953.

The American Mosquito Control Association extends its sympathies to the families of these two valued members of our organization. We hope that a future number of MOSQUITO NEWS will carry more complete notices of appreciation of their contributions to mosquito control.