

ASSOCIATION NEWS

AMERICAN MOSQUITO CONTROL ASSOCIATION

22ND ANNUAL MEETING—ATLANTA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, MARCH 6, 1966

The Board of Directors of the American Mosquito Control Association held its annual meeting at the Atlanta-Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia, Sunday, March 6, 1966, at 9:30 a.m., with President A. W. A. Brown presiding. After brief remarks of welcome, the roll call was taken, indicating that all but two members of the Board of Directors were present, as follows:

A. W. A. Brown	T. Wayne Miller, Jr.
Gaines W. Eddy	Thomas D. Mulhern
J. G. Foyle	John A. Mulrennan
Eugene J. Gerberg	W. D. Murray
Jay E. Graham	Robert Ostergaard
Robert A. Hedeon	Harry D. Pratt
J. J. McLintock	Ted G. Raley
Don W. Micks	Andrew J. Rogers

The minutes of the twenty-first annual meeting held in Tampa, Florida, March 14, 1965, were approved as published in Volume 25, #2 issue, of *Mosquito News*, on a motion by Jay E. Graham, which was seconded by A. J. Rogers and passed with no dissenting votes.

The report of President Brown was read and approved. (Attachment #1).¹ The report of the treasurer, together with the annual audit was presented to the Board by W. D. Murray. (Attachment #2). Dr. Murray announced that although there is an excess of funds in the checking account, indications are that this will be depleted during the coming fiscal year. Dr. Murray moved that these

reports be accepted as read. This motion was seconded by Dr. Gerberg and passed with no dissenting votes.

The report of the Membership and Employment Committee was presented to the Board. (Attachment #3). T. Wayne Miller, Jr., chairman, spoke of the Employment Service which is a new adjunct to the Membership Committee, and said it had been well received by both prospective employers and those seeking positions. He told the Board that a booth had been set up in the lobby of the hotel to further the work of this committee.

The next report to be received by the Board was that of the Program Committee. Dr. Harry Pratt, chairman, outlined the events scheduled for the annual meeting, including a tour of the Communicable Disease Center in Atlanta. Mr. Jim Smith, chairman of the committee arranging local events, was complimented by Dr. Pratt for the excellence of the program which his committee had assembled. A discussion was held regarding concurrent sessions. Ted Raley questioned the advisability of lengthening the meeting time, as this would pose a hardship on many attending. Jay Graham suggested that insofar as is possible, concurrent sessions should not be held, and thought it worthwhile to mix the academic people with the operational people at these meetings. Mr. Graham noted that sometimes two very good meetings are held concurrently, making it impossible to take advantage of both. Ted Raley stated he hoped that at the California meeting next year, a meeting may

¹ Reports which are summarized in the President's report or elsewhere in the minutes are not all appended in complete form.

be held with no readings of papers at the sessions. With regard to previous recommendations, it was agreed to set the registration fee at \$15.00 for men and \$10.00 for women. It is felt that this arrangement will make provision for the required funds needed to cover the costs of the meeting.

The report of the Advertising Committee, headed by Francis Creadon, was received by the Board. (Attachment #4). Mr. Creadon reported a good year in advertising and expressed his thanks to the Association for the cooperation he had received during the year. In answer to a question from the floor as to the type and quality of advertising allowed in *Mosquito News*, Mr. Creadon stated that the right is reserved to reject any copy he deems unfit to be published. Dr. Collins suggested that if any objectionable advertising material was received, his office be notified. President Brown asked for Mr. Creadon's reaction to a further hike in advertising fees, and Mr. Creadon replied that he would like to discuss this matter with Jim Nelson, editor of *Pest Control* magazine, before making any statement. He did feel, however, that one would have to receive more than a ten percent increase in advertising to realize any substantial increase in funds, and that he would rather leave the fees at their present level, striving to obtain more accounts. Mr. Creadon brought out a second point of difficulty; that of the late publishing of *Mosquito News*. His recommendation to correct this situation was to give Don Collins a much needed part-time assistant who could take care of such matters when Dr. Collins was engaged in carrying out the duties of his position. Mr. Creadon will make a recommendation at the Wednesday business session relating to the advertising increase. Mr. Mulhern suggested that the Association might get more advertisements from helicopter and aircraft organizations, as well as from those firms which supply heavy equipment, and that they be made aware that they would benefit from such advertising. Mr. Creadon said that some

correspondence had been received from aircraft people, but to date no action had materialized from this contact. Ted Raley raised the question of the advertising rates probably being too low, and spoke of comments made by the advertising agency handling the Piper Aircraft account, whose spokesman felt \$450.00 would be a fair charge for a full-page advertisement in the *News*.

The report of the editor, Dr. Don Collins, was received by the Board. He pointed out that the forthcoming March issue of *Mosquito News* will be #1 of Volume 26, and stated that over the past twenty-five years the Association has evolved through several stages until a point has now been reached where we should take stock and look forward to our future. He spoke of the growth of *Mosquito News* from a 250 page publication annually, to the last volume which totalled more than 500 pages. Dr. Collins said that the reason costs of publication had not increased more than they have is the loyalty and support of so many unpaid employees. The weakness in this, he continued, is that most of the staff has been operating for at least half of the time *Mosquito News* has been in existence, and some of these people may have to be replaced in the near future. Dr. Collins stated that plans should be considered for replacement of these workers and further, that if we are to discharge our duties properly, it will be necessary to have secretarial assistance. Dr. Collins called the attention of the Board to the fact that publication of the journal now calls for a crash program each quarter, and this is not conducive to producing a good *Mosquito News*. Dr. Brown stressed the problems of the editor, and suggested as a partial solution to ease the pressure, the employment of a part-time secretary for two or three afternoons a week. He recommended payment of \$5,000.00 for a five-day week; \$1,000.00 for one day weekly; and \$1,500.00 for two or three afternoons per week. Dr. Eugene Gerberg moved that the Association allow an expenditure of \$2,000.00 for secretarial help

to Dr. Collins in publishing *Mosquito News*. Mr. Foyle spoke of the growth of the Association and the need for it to be self-sustaining, and moved to amend the motion made by Dr. Gerberg to budget the sum of \$2,500.00 for secretarial assistance to Dr. Collins. After a brief discussion, the amended motion was seconded by Dr. Pratt, and passed with no dissenting votes.

Dr. K. L. Knight, chairman of the Publications Committee, was unable to be present and no official report was presented. It was brought out that the committee had remained ready to operate whenever it might be needed, but that no particular problem had presented itself, therefore there was no activity to report. Highest commendation was expressed for Dr. Don Collins in his efforts in editing and publishing *Mosquito News*.

There was no report presented to the Board of Directors from the Bylaws Committee.

Regarding the activity of the Advertising Committee which now has access to the rather small sum of \$75.00 per year for the secretarial assistance of Mrs. Cusick, and on behalf of the chairman who is willing to serve again and who has expressed himself as wishing to have the amount doubled, Dr. Don Micks moved that the honorarium to Mrs. Cusick for her services be increased to \$150.00 per annum. Mr. Foyle seconded this motion, which passed unanimously.

Wayne Miller requested two additional amounts to be added to the budget; first; an item to provide each living past president with a suitable plaque, representing an outlay of approximately \$350.00. Mr. Raley stated that he felt no better purpose could be served than to honor our past presidents, and suggested that these plaques be authorized in the budget. Mr. Miller then moved that the Board authorize a sum not to exceed \$400.00 to place one of these plaques in the hands of every living past president. The motion was seconded by Robert Hedeem, and passed unanimously.

The second item requested by Mr. Mil-

ler was an increase in funds allocated to the Membership & Employment Committee. There has been a \$150.00 allowance in the budget for this committee for several years, and Mr. Miller requested the Board to increase this amount by \$300.00, to provide a total of \$450.00 annually for the expenses of this committee. A suggestion was made by Dr. Gerberg that a voluntary fee could be paid by anyone who obtained a position through the Employment Committee program, but Mr. Miller felt this would be inadequate to make much difference in the expense involved, and he stressed the importance of the goodwill generated throughout the country, and indeed other countries, by furnishing this service to employers and prospective employees as a free service of the Association. This request was deferred until the report of the Finance and Policy Council.

Another budget item discussed was that of election expenses for the regional directors. Mr. Raley stated that under the bylaws, the Association will pay for regional directors' elections, but some of these expenses have seemed to go beyond what was intended, and it was his feeling that perhaps it would be well to set a more precise amount, such as payment of postage only. Dr. Micks stated that based on personal experience, nothing would need to be allowed as the ordinary expenses needed could be absorbed in other ways. A discussion was held on the subject, and reference to the exact wording of the bylaws showed them to read "for all necessary" expenses. As this was open to differing interpretations, it was suggested that this be taken to mean postage and the printing of ballots. Dr. A. J. Rogers moved that the only expenses for the election of regional directors to be paid by the Association will be that of postage, envelopes and the printing of ballots. This motion was seconded by Dr. Micks, and passed with no dissenting votes.

With regard to acquiring additional funds for the Association, Dr. Micks reported on his efforts, together with those

of Dr. Collins, to obtain a grant through application to the National Institute of Health for the bibliography given each year by Helen Sollers-Riedel. Dr. Micks stated that he started out by writing the various government agencies, the National Institute of Health, and national science foundations. He was finally apprised of a grant which was available, with a fairly close deadline to meet. He then put them in direct touch with Dr. Collins, who completed the requirements for application, and presently is awaiting the results of this application for a grant. The amount of the grant would be \$4,000.00—\$2,000.00 each year for two years, based on the estimated cost of the bibliography. If this grant is received from the National Institute of Health, it is for a very specific purpose, and should not be included in the annual budget.

Dr. Hedeem reported for his committee, Revision of Bulletin #1, to the Board. He stated that as soon as two articles are received, the revisions are ready to be edited. The question of generalizing the style of all bulletins was raised, but it was decided that it would be left to the discretion of Don Collins through his experience with this type of writing to make the decision of the style employed.

Dr. Andrew Rogers reported as chairman of the Committee on Revision of Bulletin #2. He told Board members that he had encouraged the manuscripts as fast as consistent with accuracy and quality of contents, and that approximately seventy-five percent of the manuscripts have been completed. If all goes well, he estimates that all will be completed within the current year.

The report on Revision of Bulletin #3 was presented by its co-chairman, Dr. Eugene Gerberg. He stated that Dr. Helen Durkee, co-chairman of this committee, has written the president-elect requesting that Dr. Gerberg take over the primary responsibility as she does not have the time to carry out these duties. Dr. Gerberg reported that he was endeavoring to

complete his committee's work as soon as possible.

A sub-committee on "Bulletin Sales" headed by Mr. A. F. Geib, had nothing to report.

The report of the Finance and Policy Council was presented to the Board by its chairman, Mr. R. E. Dorer. (Attachment #5). He stated that he had contacted all of the members for their comments, and receiving none, had construed this as approval of his committee's findings. One suggestion that the Association replace the \$2,000.00 guarantee from the host group with a \$5.00 fee from each registration, and that this fee be allotted to the Association, was considered. After a brief discussion, Mr. Mulrennan moved that \$5.00 of the registration fee be allotted as the contribution of the annual meeting towards the publication of the proceedings. This motion was seconded by Mr. Mulhern, and passed unanimously. Mr. Dorer told the Board the other item to be considered was the request of the Membership & Employment Committee to have the amount now allotted to this committee increased to \$450.00. After discussion, Dr. Rogers moved that due to the increased activity of this committee, the amount authorized be increased from \$150.00 to \$450.00. This motion was seconded by Mr. Foyle, and passed unanimously.

The question of enlarging the scope of the organization to include the control of midges, sand flies and other types of arthropods, and a possible change in the Association name, was brought out for discussion. Mr. Raley expressed the opinion that mosquitoes should continue to have our attention as they have played an important part so far in the development of the Association to its present status. Mr. Wayne Miller stated that he felt any suggestion of a change in the title of the American Mosquito Control Association was a bit premature, and prior to placing it before the members for voting, a great deal of study should

be given to this whole suggestion. Mr. Dick Peters stated he felt it was time for a change and that as long as the present guidelines are followed, the organization will remain limited. He felt there should be a recognition of other types of arthropods, and that their control should be the concern of some international organization. He brought out that AMCA is an American, not a United States organization. Mr. Peters mentioned the possibility of forming a vector control association, and stated that whether the Association considers these other aims next year, in the next five years, or in the future, it should acknowledge the need at this time if we are to continue expanding.

Dr. Brown commented that it seemed to him the idea of a change in name and organization of the American Mosquito Control Association requires the reflection, judgment and study of experienced minds to evaluate the whole subject. Mr. Mulrennan moved that the incoming president be requested to appoint a committee to study the problems of considering other vectors in the American Mosquito Control Association, and that the committee come up with some definite guidelines as to how the problem can be worked out, and present results to the Board of Directors at the 1967 meeting. This motion was seconded by Dr. Gerberg and passed unanimously.

Dr. Robert Hedeem presented the report of the Legislative Committee in the absence of the chairman, A. W. Buzicky. The report dealt largely with the purchase of surplus property by mosquito districts and the methods by which this may be accomplished. Also discussed was the possibility of utilizing some of the Federal bureaus which furnish trainees to work into mosquito control programs. The recommendation was made that district managers contact their local Economic Opportunity Act offices if they feel this would benefit their districts.

The report of the committee on Public Relations was presented to the Board by Dr. Don Micks. (Attachment #6). Dr.

Micks stated that the guidelines had been drawn up by the committee, hopeful that they represented what the Association stands for. He said that in the past there seemed to be the need of some classification, and the committee hopes its report will serve as a sort of starting point. Jay Graham, president-elect, congratulated the committee on doing a very fine job, stating he feels this document will be of great help in working out a policy for the future. A suggestion was made that the statement of policy set forth by the committee be brought to the membership for a vote at the Wednesday Board meeting. Ted Raley expressed the opinion that something of this magnitude might well be put into *Mosquito News* and might take careful study before being voted upon. Dr. Micks moved that the Association come to an agreement upon a statement of policy. This motion was seconded by Mr. J. G. Foyle and passed with no dissenting votes. In a further motion, Mr. J. A. Mulrennan moved that this agreement be attained next year, and that the necessary steps be taken this year to inform the membership. Dr. A. J. Rogers seconded this motion, which passed with no dissenting votes.

The Good Neighbor Club Committee report was presented to the Board by the chairman, Mr. E. D. Davis. His recommendation was that this committee be put on a purely voluntary basis, with prospective members sending in their money to the executive secretary's office, and that no "dunning" letters be sent to delinquent accounts. President Brown suggested that rather than making membership in the Good Neighbor Club purely voluntary, it might be helpful to send one letter reminding them of their unpaid dues, eliminating any second "dunning" letter. Mr. Davis moved that the report be accepted. Dr. Micks seconded this motion, which passed with no dissenting votes.

Dr. Don Murray presented his report for the Year Book Committee, and stated that this committee has been of value to

the Board. He called upon Mr. Jim Nelson, editor of *Pest Control* magazine to tell the Board members about a questionnaire which he and his staff had developed, and which has been mailed out to approximately three hundred agencies. Although some had not been filled out completely, the results were sufficient enough to evaluate the statistics furnished. As to publication of this list in *Mosquito News*, Dr. Murray did not feel it was sufficiently developed to warrant this at the present time, but agreed that it would be a help if it could be carried in the *News* as an annual feature. Dr. Micks inquired if it is a definite plan to publish a list of all abatement control districts, along with statistics as to area covered and their respective budget allocations. Mr. Raley said he is continuing to press for state year books. It was estimated that the cost of an annual year book by the American Mosquito Control Association would be in the vicinity of \$800.00 per year. Dr. Micks moved that the present list of agencies be printed in *Mosquito News*. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. G. Foyle and passed with no dissenting votes.

The report of the Sustaining Membership Committee was presented to the Board by G. C. Collett, who took over the chairmanship when Lester Smith passed away during the year. Mr. Collett reported that the committee had such a short time to work together that little was accomplished, but the committee had concluded that these sustaining memberships had a great deal of merit, even though there are mixed feelings on the subject. Mr. Collett stated that his committee feels if another committee were appointed for the coming year, it would be of value. He suggested the possibility of including someone from one of the commercial companies to help with the study.

The report of the Awards Committee was presented to the Board by Mr. Thomas Mulhern, chairman. Mr. Mulhern commented that, owing to duty in southeast Asia during the past year, he had not been able to devote as much time to the

committee as he would have liked, and asked the incoming president to seriously consider naming someone else to chair this committee. He stated that the original duty of the Awards Committee was to define the kinds of awards which should be made by this Association, and outlined the types of awards considered:—

1. To any member of the Association for direct service to the Association or to mosquito control in general.
2. Memorializing a deceased member who had contributed in some especially outstanding way.
3. Competitive award which might be set up when the Association is desirous of attaining some special goal.
4. An award provided by some other agency or organization, but handled by the American Mosquito Control Association.

The next report to be received by the Board was that of the Resolutions Committee. Mr. J. A. Mulrennan, chairman, presented two resolutions and moved that they be adopted. This motion was seconded by Mr. Wayne Miller, and passed with no dissenting votes.

Resolution

WHEREAS, the American Mosquito Control Association has enjoyed a most successful meeting in the Atlanta-Biltmore Hotel, and

WHEREAS, the Communicable Disease Center, Public Health Service, U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, and the Chatham County Mosquito Control Commission, together with their officials and employees, and especially Dr. Harry D. Pratt, Program Chairman, have been responsible for the grand success of the meeting, and

WHEREAS, the faithful advertisers and exhibitors have unstintingly come forward with their support and demonstrated their wares, which are the tools used and needed in our final accomplishments,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the AMCA is greatly appreciative of all the fine gestures and favors that have been manifested by so many thoughtful people, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officer of this Association, by copy of this Resolution, express our heartfelt thanks to all those who have made our stay in Atlanta a most pleasant one.

Resolution

WHEREAS, the Master of all mankind has, since our last meeting, through His divine wisdom seen fit to call from our midst to give a final accounting of his stewardship, one of our most respected pillars, officers, and one of the Founding Fathers of the Association, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lester W. Smith, Past President and Treasurer for many years has closed the books, but his memory and accomplishments will long be remembered and be referred to by many scholars and workers in his chosen field as long as a mosquito remains on this earth, or anyone in the future who might have an interest in their devastations of the past, will find the chapters bearing witness to this dedicated mosquito worker,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we call attention to his passing in the September, 1965, issue of "*Mosquito News*," and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we call attention to the passing of Mr. William Edward Goersmeyer, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Des Plaines Valley Mosquito Abatement District, whose earthly departure was memorialized in the same September volume, and to all other workers who have gone to their rewards since the last meeting, and whose names were not known at the time of presentation of this Resolution, we do with thoughtful reflection, send forth our deepest sympathy to all families who have lost a loved one since our last meeting.

The report of the Nominating Committee, also headed by Mr. J. A. Mulrennan, presented the following nominations:

President-Elect	DR. HARRY D. PRATT
Vice President	A. W. BUZICKY, T. D. MULHERN
Recording Secretary	T. WAYNE MILLER, JR.

Mr. Dick Peters, reporting for Dr. Maurice Provost, chairman of the Research & Development Committee, spoke of developing a brochure on stopping epidemics caused by mosquitoes. He felt there is expert advice available on diseases originating from mosquito infestations, and said the brochure would contain helpful advice on prevention for those not in the mosquito control field. Dr. Brown suggested that a brochure of this sort could appear in *Mosquito News* as an article, with reprints to be run off as desired. Mr. Peters felt that this is an

area of official responsibility of the Communicable Disease Centers in this country, and that such a brochure could be of value anywhere in the world where the arbovirus might occur. Mr. J. A. Mulrennan moved that the report be accepted, and that it be forwarded to Communicable Disease Center with a recommendation for action, assuring them that the American Mosquito Control Association is willing to provide any necessary service through its Research & Development Committee. This motion was seconded by Dr. Eugene Gerberg, and passed with no dissenting votes.

The president announced that three invitations for future meetings had been received: one from the Detroit Convention Bureau for 1967; one from the Baltimore Convention Bureau; and from the Houston Convention and Visitors Council, inviting AMCA to Houston in 1968, or the next available year. A formal invitation was received from the Louisiana Mosquito Control Association for the 1968 meeting, and one from the Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control Association in Seattle, also for 1968. For 1969, the Virginia Association has invited the AMCA to meet in Williamsburg. It was announced that the 1967 annual meeting would definitely meet in San Francisco, California, and the dates have been changed to February 5-8, 1967.

Mr. Ted Raley, in his executive secretary's report, urged the membership to project the annual meetings formally three years in advance. This would place the Association in a better position in arranging for hotel arrangements and local programs. The following incoming regional officers were announced:

Southeast Central	WILLIAM S. MURRAY
South Atlantic	LESLIE D. BEADLE
North Pacific	FRED O. BLISS
Northwest Central	RICHARD O. HAYES

Mr. Raley announced that the bylaws of the Association would be in print in the near future. He also announced the results of the mail ballot, which had already been received, as follows:

President-Elect DR. HARRY D. PRATT
Vice President THOMAS D. MULHERN
Recording Secretary T. WAYNE MILLER, JR.

Brown had been honored with the presidency of the Entomological Society of America.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Mr. Raley informed the membership that retiring president, Dr. A. W. A.