

ASSOCIATION NEWS

ANNUAL MEETING, MAY 24 AND 25, 1946

At the close of the meeting of May 24-25, the Association through its members and subscribers is now reaching beyond the continental United States to include administrative, professional, and other personnel concerned with mosquito control and related work in Australia, Belgium, Bermuda, Canada, Canal Zone, Ceylon, China, Colombia, Ecuador, England, France, Haiti, Hawaii, Mexico, Panama, Puerto Rico and Venezuela.

MOSQUITO NEWS has grown greatly, and four larger and better numbers were published in 1945, while the March, 1946, number is the largest so far published, containing 69 pages of copy, and 15 pages of advertising. In addition to the feature articles, "THE NEWS" regularly contains reviews and abstracts and bibliography sections of outstanding importance to mosquito workers, directories, news notes, and editorials of interest to all members of the Association.

Since the November, 1945, Field Trip and inspection, which was reported in detail in the March, 1946, number of MOSQUITO NEWS by Miss Helen Louise Trembley, the Association has held two important meetings: an Annual Meeting on April 4, 1946, and a paper reading meeting on May 24 and 25, 1946.

Annual Meeting

The 1946 Annual Meeting was held at the Hotel Ambassador in Atlantic City, N. J., at the time of the Annual Meeting of the New Jersey Mosquito Extermination Association. This was a short meeting, and was devoted primarily to reports of committees and officers, and action on business matters before the Association. Inasmuch as the geographic area represented by the Association is so large that travel limitations prevent complete member representation, the conducting of the election of 1946 officers by mail was authorized, and the election so conducted.

Meeting of May 24-25, 1946

A paper reading and discussion, and business meeting was held at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York. Sessions were held on the morning and afternoon of May 24, and on the morning of May 25. The program of this meeting was designed to provide ample opportunity for discussion, there being few formal papers scheduled, and those being on subjects likely to promote discussion. This plan resulted in a very interesting meeting, which was attended by approximately 75 persons. Many others were prevented from attending by the rail strike which occurred at the same time.

The president's address was presented at the opening of the business session, as follows:

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Every year since the first President of this Association addressed you there has been a report to the membership of growth, of increased recognition and prestige, and a healthy state of practical and technical advancement.

I feel very fortunate today that the wholehearted cooperation and active assistance of so many members has made it possible for me to carry on this tradition. The advancements that have been made come primarily from the unselfish participation in Association affairs by many busy men who have given freely of their time and energies that this organization might prosper and as I turn over the responsibilities of this office to my distinguished successor I feel confident that he is also acquiring the good will and sound backing of as fine a body of men as it has ever been my privilege to work with.

I do not intend to take up your time here with a lengthy recital of Association activities during the past year but I believe that you are entitled to know

what your officers have done in organization affairs since I took office last June 30 in Norfolk.

On September 4 of last year your Executive Committee met at the Lord Baltimore Hotel in Baltimore for routine business and to discuss plans for a winter inspection trip.

On October 31 a Mosquito Control Conference of the South Jersey Counties was called in Camden, N. J., under the joint auspices of the New Jersey Federation of Women's Clubs, the New Jersey Mosquito Extermination Association, and the *Courier-Post* newspapers. Our membership was well represented and as President of your Association I was privileged to join the able and well known speakers on the program. The significance of such a gathering indicates, I believe, the importance which our work has come to occupy in the public mind.

The winter inspection trip which the Association carried out last November 20 and 21 was pronounced most stimulating and successful by all those who participated. The thanks and appreciation of all of us go to Dr. F. C. Bishopp, who consented to act as Chairman of the Arrangements Committee, and to his associates who provided us with a schedule that was faultless in its timing and remarkable for its varied interests. It was a treat that will not soon be forgotten.

On January 11 of this year the Executive Committee again met at the Lord Baltimore Hotel in Baltimore to conduct routine business and consider certain matters for the good of the Association.

On February 17 a meeting of the Committee on Arrangements was called in Fredericksburg, Virginia, to make tentative plans which have developed into this meeting of today.

The Fourth Meeting of the Dispersal Sub Committee of the National Research Council—Insect Control Committee—was held in Washington, D. C., on February 18 and 19 and a large group from the Association, including myself, attended. The lectures and discussions, dealing primarily with DDT and its application, were timely and instructive.

I believe that the majority of those here today were present at our Business Meeting on April 4 in Atlantic City. It had been decided to hold that meeting in conjunction with the New Jersey Mosquito Extermination Association and our thanks go to that body for their cooperation. Approval of that decision seems to be indicated by those in attendance.

The Florida Anti-Mosquito Association held its Seventeenth Annual Meeting in West Palm Beach only a few weeks ago, from April 28 to May 1, and provided a thoroughly instructive and pleasing program of mental and physical entertainment. Several of our members accepted the invitation to attend and as your President I was asked to address the gathering on behalf of your Association.

Today's meeting completes a year of my tenure of office which has been a period of feverish activity throughout the world and has seen truly remarkable changes take place. Many war time restrictions militated against your Association during this period but I believe that you will agree with me that it has weathered the storm and has emerged even stronger than before. Our active and associate membership has now grown in excess of 250 and our official publication, *THE MOSQUITO NEWS*, has been developed into a well balanced magazine which in appearance and contents compares most favorably with any similar periodical. It is a credit to the Association and should be a source of much pride to its Editor whose initiative and resourcefulness when added to tireless labor have produced remarkable results.

Golden opportunity for development lies ahead for our profession and for this Association. I have every confidence that the future holds much that is good for us all if we have the wisdom to seek it. For those of us who are stepping down to let new hands take over the wheel, let me say to you that we pledge our full support and cooperation in the belief that your guidance may well lead us to a record of achievement in this year of 1946.

PERRY W. RUTH
Norfolk, Va.

Mr. Robert L. Vannote, chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the report submitted by the Auditing Committee, as follows:

REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

MR. PERRY W. RUTH, President
American Mosquito Control Association

I have caused an examination to be made of the books and records of the Eastern Association of Mosquito Control Workers from the date of the last examination, namely, November 5, 1942,

	Receipts	Expenditures
Balance per Cash Book November 5, 1942.....	\$120.20	
November 6, 1942, to December 31, 1942.....	37.00	
January 1, 1943, to December 31, 1943.....	916.65	\$937.92
January 1, 1944, to March 15, 1944.....	145.00	1.00
March 16, 1944, to December 31, 1944.....	1,039.22	850.69
January 1, 1945, to December 31, 1945.....	1,883.40	1,533.94
January 1, 1946, to May 15, 1946.....	1,113.71	1,087.35
Balance on hand, May 15, 1946.....		844.28
	\$5,255.18	\$5,255.18

The balance on hand as shown above was reconciled to the statement as submitted by the Commonwealth Bank of Metuchen.

The books and records of the association were found to have been kept in a very satisfactory manner. Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) W. H. DILLISTON, *Chairman,*
Auditing Committee.

May 22, 1946.

Dr. Robert D. Glasgow, Editor and Chairman of the Publications Committee, presented a report on the progress of MOSQUITO NEWS, and appealed particularly for news notes about the members of the Association, and the work that they are doing. He also requested that photographs showing work being done or submitted together with descriptive captions.

Mr. Vannote, as chairman, presented a report for the Legislative Committee, indicating that the principal matter claiming attention of this committee is the need for developing support for a Federal Appropriation to insure the continuation of the research on the practical applications of new insecticides for mosquito control by the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine. This matter may soon come before the Appropriations Committee and at that time the members may be called upon to express their support, in order to aid in guaranteeing the continuation of this work.

Mr. James T. Hart, Jr., Chairman, pre-

to March 15, 1944, when the name was changed to the American Mosquito Control Association, and of the last named association from March 16, 1944, to May 15, 1946.

The Receipts and Expenditures as shown by the Cash Book were checked and footed for proper computation and found to be correct. All bills paid during the period under examination were checked for correctness and in each instance were properly approved for payment.

The following is a summary of the receipts and disbursements for the period under examination:

resented a report of the Special Elections Committee as follows:

REPORT OF ELECTION COMMITTEE

New Brunswick, N. J. May 22, 1946.

This is to certify that the undersigned, serving as a special committee appointed by President Perry W. Ruth, have examined and counted the ballots returned in connection with the election of officers of the American Mosquito Control Association for 1946, and hereby present the following report:

Fifty-three valid ballots were returned, and have been tabulated as follows:

- President—H. H. Stage, 53.
- 1st Vice-President—Dr. R. D. Glasgow, 50.
- 2nd Vice-President—Duke Peters, 49; Harold Gray, 2; Duncan Longworth, 1.
- Executive Committee—Dr. L. A. Stearns, 51; Dr. Geo. S. Comstock, 48; J. Lyell Clark, 1.
- Editor—Dr. R. D. Glasgow, 52.
- Publications Committee—James T. Hart, Jr., 47; Dr. Robert Matheson, 52; Eugene Gerberg, 1.

Four ballots were sent in by Associate Members, who are not eligible to vote. Accordingly, these were not counted.

No invalid ballots were received. James T. Hart, Jr., was unable to attend the meeting.

Respectfully submitted.

(Signed) GEORGE W. EAGER,
VERNON CONANT.

Attest: (Signed) THOMAS D. MULHERN,
Secretary.

Paper Reading Sessions

Papers read, and a report of the symposium discussions will be published in the September number of MOSQUITO NEWS.

T. D. MULHERN.