

ALUMNI NEWS

We were again gratified by the response of the alumni in sharing their activities, publications, and point of interest which have concerned them during this past year. Many of the alumni had considerable news to pass on to you. We heard from many whom we did not hear from last year, and we would be delighted to hear from all of you so that your colleagues, past, present and future might have an opportunity to keep track of your recent activities.

Many of the alumni have written in expressing appreciation for the Newsletter and a marked interest in its continuation. We are grateful for these words of encouragement and will continue to put out the Newsletter on an annual basis, so that we all might maintain contact with each other. At the end of the newsletter as in previous issues we are including a perforated information sheet which we would like you to remove, fill out and return to us. We hope before too many years go by this will become a yearly ritual with all of you.

In the last Newsletter we suggested the possibility of a reunion of all of the graduates of the Entomology Department to coincide with the dedication of the new building which also coincides with the Centennial celebration of the University of Illinois. There was considerable affirmative response from those who indicated an interest to participate in such an event. The Centennial year of the University runs from February, 1967 through February, 1968. An exact time for the dedication of the new building has not yet been set, but it is hoped that sometime during this period we might have such a gathering of former students in this department with a worthwhile symposium and social gathering where we might all get together and renew old acquaintances. We will keep you posted so you can make plans to attend such an event.

Lusettie Blevins ('25)

Lusettie tells us under current research and recent publications that it was too dry this past summer to even get much garden planted, let alone research. She also points out that we have given her credit for having a doctor's degree but states "Better correct that -- I have a master's, not a doctor's. Don't want to sail under false colors." I guess we are just

too eager to give away degrees. Please excuse the slip.  
Lusettie had a very wonderful tour of Europe and the Holy Lands in October. This was her first visit to the Holy Land and she states she would like to see more of these ancient countries.

She is delighted with the Newsletter and always happy to hear from former classmates and friends from the University.

B. D. Burks ('37)

My current research and recent publications include the usual round of papers on the classification of chalcid-flies (of no interest to anyone outside the field). However, in January 1966 I became Investigations Leader for Hymenoptera on the Agriculture staff here at the U.S. National Museum which means slightly more paper work. I did not get around to letting you know that I was a visiting lecturer at U.C., Berkeley, last summer, so that is past history that may as well be forgotten. My real accomplishment while in California was the scaling of three mountains, one above 14,000, my highest so far (this was White Mountain Peak, 14,246). No, we did not go up by jeep nor helicopter, but zu fuss.

George B. Craig Jr. ('56)

George is now Professor of Biology and Director of the World Health Organization International Reference Centre for Aedes. His current research continues to be involved in the genetics of Aedes, particularly A. aegypti.

George has a most prodigious research program going. He sends us a list of current projects in mosquito genetics and a list of publications encompassing four pages. He is really pushing back the frontiers in the genetics of mosquitoes.

He tells us he is going to Senegal this summer for field study of speciation in A. aegypti. He has made yearly trips to Geneva, Switzerland for about five years on business for W.H.O.

P. A. Dahm ('47)

Paul Dahm returned the Newsletter Information Sheet for 1966-67. At least he gave us his current home and business address. While we didn't hear of Paul's recent activities or travels we do know that he is still in the land of the living and were delighted to hear from him.

Philip Garman ('16)

I have not tried to publish anything lately. I make many business calls around Connecticut as consultant for a group that call themselves "The Laurel State Fruit Growers." It requires information on several phases of fruit growing besides insect control.

This year it will be 50 years since my graduation from Illinois. I would certainly like to see the new quarters and will make it to a reunion if my physical strength holds out and my pocket book warrants.

Robert D. Glasgow ('13)

Since the publication of the last Newsletter we were very sorry to hear from Mrs. Josephine B. Glasgow informing us that her husband Dr. Robert D. Glasgow passed away on July 15, 1964. This information was not available to us at the time of Dr. Glasgow's passing. Because of this and because many of you who might have known him were not aware of his passing we are including an obituary which appeared in the New York Times, July 16, 1964, and extending to Mrs. Glasgow our belated sympathy.

ALBANY, July 15 (AP) -- Dr. Robert Douglass Glasgow of Albany, state entomologist from 1928 until his retirement in 1949 died today at Albany Medical Center Hospital. He was 85 years old.

During his years as the state's expert on insects Dr. Glasgow led many campaigns against flies, ticks, moths, mosquitoes and a variety of other pests.

Dr. Glasgow developed many methods of applying insecticides, and was a pioneer in the use of helicopters to spread DDT fogs.

He also published a number of papers on the physiology and ecology of insects.

Dr. Glasgow was born in Tennessee, Illinois and received his bachelor's and doctorate degrees from the University of Illinois. He taught at the University before taking up the state post here.

Al G. Grosche ('25)

This year we heard from Al Grosche who is now residing in Waukegan, Illinois and is in that blissful state of life for which we are all striving -- retirement. Al tells us that he is spending most of his time these days working with "little league" groups in baseball and

basketball. That sounds like enough to keep a retired man young.

In his euphoric state he has been able to spend two months in central Europe, three weeks in Southwestern United States and tells us that his next travelling plans are a trip to Washington and Oregon. Al tells us that he would also be delighted to attend a Centennial Dedicatory Symposium, which we hope we can bring to fruition.

Robert F. Harwood ('54)

Bob is currently working on daily and seasonal rhythms, especially with mosquitoes and the codling moth. He is particularly studying the effect of "skeletal" photoperiods on codling moth development. He is also involved with attempted mass rearing of the European pine shoot moth.

His recent travels have been mostly trips to participate in meetings such as National ESA meeting in New Orleans, and Pacific Branch meeting in Monterey, California. He will be on sabbatical at Princeton University during the 1966-1967 academic year.

In the recent additions to the family department he lists just one dog and two parakeets, names and dates unimportant.

Thank you for your kind comments, Bob. I have indeed been persuaded one more year, though the efficiency is questionable. Bob tells us that he would be delighted to attend a Symposium in conjunction with a reunion if he can get himself away from his research problems.

Bob also appends a P.S. to his Newsletter Information and tells us that they are enjoying having Calvin Soo Hoo with them in the Department at Pullman, Washington.

J. David Hoffman ('60)

My recent research is on some preliminary studies on mass rearing of the tobacco hornworm and attraction of male tobacco hornworm moths to blacklight traps baited with live virgin female moths. Also I am doing some mass rearing of the tobacco hornworm.

I recently spent two months on the island of St. Croix (U.S. Virgin Island) to study the possibility of conducting insect population control experiments on that island.

I was married September 9, 1960 to Mary Bishop whose home is in South Wales, U.K. We now have two children: Trudi Leigh and Jan Margaret Hoffman, 5 and 3 respectively.

In September of 1966 I took a position at the Biological Control of Insects Laboratory at Columbia, Missouri (P.O. Box 329).

George Earl Huff ('50)

We heard from George Huff this year who tells us that while he has no current publications he has been doing some research as to the certain treatment of bee equipment for the control of American foulbrood using ethylene oxide.

George gives us no information in the recent travels department so we guess that he is staying in Indiana keeping the home fires burning.

No new additions to the family. George tells us that he would like to attend a symposium and thinks it would be a good idea if it will bring us together for a much needed reunion. And to quote George "We ought to do this more often as the old song goes."

Donald Ross Johnson ('40)

Don is now at the Malaria Eradication Branch, Communicable Disease Center, U.S. Public Health Service, Atlanta, Georgia and tells us under current research "No research! This is an international operational program jointly carried on by World Health Organization, UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund) and USPHS (representing U.S. government). U.S. Assistance is currently being given to 15 countries, CDC is doing some research for program, but the malaria eradication branch at the moment is only indirectly involved in this research. The eradication program is the largest organized health effort ever undertaken by man. Over one billion people are exposed to malaria."

My publications are World Role in Mosquito Control and Status of Malaria Eradication in India, 1965. My recent travels for business or pleasure took me on an official business trip to India, Jordan, Syria and Geneva, Switzerland in January and February 1966, to observe, appraise and discuss malaria eradication program problems and progress.

Our current roster reads thus:

Son, Gary R. 1/31/49  
Daughter, Lynn K. 7/1/50  
Son, Lee R. 10/21/54  
Daughter, Laura K. 11/2/62

Don suggests more alumni news in the Newsletter. I agree with Don -- it's up to you. Don would also enjoy attending a symposium. We will send notices and programs as early as feasible.

Robert E. Lewis ('59)

From the Land of Lebanon my current research is still involved in a study of the fleas of the Middle East, Southwest Asia and North Africa, as well as their hosts.

Bob has four or five new articles on distribution and collection of fleas from mammals and birds in Saudi Arabia. His recent travels read: "Last summer while I was on a five-month collecting trip to Afghanistan, Mike visited India, Nepal, Thailand, Hong Kong, Japan and the U.S.A. On the possible reunion or symposium Bob said it would not be possible for them to attend but think it's a good idea!

Jai K. Nayar ('62)

We heard from Jai Nayar again. Delighted to hear from those who are now in the Newsletter Information habit.

Jai is still at Vero Beach, Florida at the Entomological Research Center. He is currently working on growth and development of mosquitoes and on biological clocks in mosquitoes and also continuing work on the nutrition of mosquito larvae. He tells us he has been enjoying Florida weather. After the Chicago snowstorm of 1967 and the fantastic ice storm in Champaign-Urbana which kept us all out of power and destroyed half the trees in town, we, too, would enjoy a little Florida weather along with Jai. There is a recent addition to the Nayar family. Veena Renate Nayar, a daughter, born December 11, 1965. Congratulations! Jai also expresses interest in attending a possible reunion symposium at the dedication of the new building.

Angel Berrios-Ortiz ('61)

Angel who is with the Biology Department, College of Agricultural and Mechanical Arts in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico says "I think it is wonderful to be able to read and to keep track of all people that shared the same experience of being at least for a very short time in contact with the Entomology Department at the University of Illinois. I would probably be able to attend a reunion or symposium if it could be held during a weekend."

Faustino Q. Otones ('22)

From Faustino who completed his graduate training from the University of Illinois in 1922, a veritable encyclopedia of information which we are delighted to share with the rest of the alums.

This year Faustino has not travelled abroad, but within the country to attend agricultural conferences, scientific meetings, etc.

Faustino was formerly Senior Entomologist; Chief, Plant Pest and Disease Control Division; and later Assistant Director for Research, Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Manila. Also, he served as Officer-in-Charge of the Bureau at various times.

He retired several years ago, after more than forty years of service in the Philippine Government, devoted chiefly to entomological and plant pest and disease control activities.

He taught at the College of Agriculture, University of the Philippines, and also at the Araneta Institute of Agriculture (now Araneta University), as professor of Entomology and acting head of Department.

Now as a member of the National Research Council of the Philippines, he is still keeping up his interest in certain entomological activities, especially on the biology and ecology of the Oriental Migratory Locust (Locusta migratoria manilensis Mayen) and insects of coconuts in relation to a serious trouble that has already killed over eight million trees.

The family includes three girls and four boys, all grown up and all professionals. Only one boy is married so far and has two children, a girl (four years) and a boy (two years). Can only speculate as to how many more grandchildren there will be. Hope there will be an entomologist or a biologist among them!

Faustino thanks us very much for the 1965 and 1966 Newsletters. "It is most gratifying to know that the Department of Entomology, for one, has been getting, and continues to get, what it needs to be able to have and maintain high standards of instruction and research. ....

"I have read and reread with pleasure and interest what the Newsletters say about the research activities of graduate students, alumni and faculty members.

"That comparatively little research along fundamental lines is being done here is due chiefly to the lack of men and women with broad biological training and with adequate experience in research along such lines.....

"What you stated in the 1965 Newsletter about available traineeships, fellowships and assistantships under the Department of Entomology, some of which are open to foreign graduate students, will accordingly be kept in mind.

"I am happy to know from the Alumni Directory that those who did graduate work with me and with whom I had frequent association and whose friendship I enjoyed are still alive. I greet them all. I greet all fellow alumni, the members of the faculty and friends, and as we say here in the Philippines, "MABUHAY"! (meaning "May you live long"! Pronounced "Ma-boo-high"). The same is wished for the Newsletter."

T. H. Parks ('25)

Thaddeus is still consultant in pest control for two large fruit farms in central Ohio.

He adds that the Newsletter serves as a "letter from home" for recent alumni and a measurement of growth for the older alumni. He also suggests that the reunion - symposium should feature the importance of entomology in the advancement of world economy in agriculture, public health and biological science education.

Alvah Peterson ('16)

Dr. Peterson's current research is on the identification of eggs of insects, especially those of moths from various places in the U.S. Some ten papers have been published since 1960, most of which have been printed in the Florida Entomologist.



Several weeks to months have been spent in the following states collecting and photographing eggs of insects namely, at Gainesville and Homestead, Florida; Lake Itasia, Minnesota; Gull Lake, Michigan; Raleigh, North Carolina; Corvallis, Oregon; Postal Arizona and elsewhere.

Dr. Peterson tells that when he was at Urbana, entomology was taught in the old Natural History Building, 1912-1916.

Paul W. Riegert ('54)

I am currently engaged in attempting to resolve the inter-related effects of photoperiod and temperature on the induction and termination of diapause in certain species of grasshoppers; also, determining the genetic relationships and inheritance of diapause. Recent publications include the effects of grouping, pairing and mating on the bionomics of grasshoppers; the effects of the fungus Entomophthora grylli on populations of grasshoppers; the suitability of native grasslands as habitats for certain species of grasshoppers.

My recent travels included a summer trip through the Canadian Rockies and later a trip to attend the ESA meetings at New Orleans. On the latter tour, Betty and I travelled by car through 21 states for a distance of nearly 9,000 miles. We visited more than a dozen research establishments and universities, visited with a host of new and old friends, acridologists and chemists, including a great number of old Illini. We are sorry that we had to miss the old University of Illinois, for we had intended to drop in, even if just to say hello. We did, however, manage to get out to the Bahamas for a bit of fun in the sun before returning to the cold winter of Saskatchewan.

Regarding additions to the family "As I said after prelims: Gott sei dank, wir sind am Ende!"

I certainly enjoy every minute I spend in reading the Newsletter. I used it as a guide to plan my tour through the U.S.A. last December.

A reunion is a memorable occasion, one which always will be remembered. Do have one if it is at all possible. As for me, I live too far away to make definite commitments to attend.

Robert Snetsinger ('60)

We received a communique from Robert this year. He tells us that he is still working on rat control and tick distribution and also on pymotid mites. He just received a three-year ARS grant to work on the host resistance to spider mites. The communiqes may be short, but we do enjoy hearing from all of you.

George J. Spencer ('24)

"Many thanks for the Entomology Newsletter 1966 which was read and enjoyed.

"I date back to 1923-24, to the time of Professors C. L. Metcalf, Alex MacGillivray, Victor Shelford, W. V. Balduf, the Great van Cleave Dr. Shumway, Theodor Frison; fellow students were G. E. King, DeCoursey, Alvin Cahn, Curtis Benton, Paul Knight, Morris Steggarda. Margaret Windsor was an undergraduate. Since then I have encountered Kathryn Sommerman by correspondence.

"After a serious operation, Clotho, Taxis and Atropos are hovering round my bed so please strike my name off your mailing list."

We were delighted to hear from Dr. Spencer. We're sorry to hear of his serious operation and are grateful for the grand old men of entomology, and refuse to take his name off the mailing list as he asks until he has made that final crossing of the River Styx.

Donald M. Tuttle ('52)

Don tells us that this year his current research and publications efforts still concern the plant mites, especially the Tetranychidae. He has just published with E. W. Baker a treatise on the spider mites of Arizona and notes on the systematics and represents a 3-year effort. Congratulations on this accomplishment, Don.

Don's recent travels have taken him to the Rocky Mountain states for more plant mite materials. Also, he attended the regional meeting in Logan, Utah on Alfalfa Seed Production, and again attended the Institute of Acarology at Ohio State University. He says "Again in 1965, for the 6th time at the Institute." He claims to be a perennial attender and will be there again in 1966.

He tells us that the family situation is the same as in 1965. No new additions. Don also passes on the information that it would be very possible that he would be able to attend a reunion-symposium in connection with the dedication of the new building and the University Centennial.

Since the publication of the departmental Newsletter last year, it has come to our attention that the following entomology alumni have passed away:

Robert D. Glasgow

James Lowell Hypes

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