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Annual Meeting - Preliminary Notice

The Ninth Annual Meeting of the Michigan Entomological Society will be held at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo on Saturday, March 23rd, the last day of the meetings of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts and Letters. Roland L. Fischer has organized a full program of 13 papers and will be the chairman of the meeting. Further information, a map, and a list of titles will be sent out early in March.

Report on the 1962 Annual Meeting

The Eighth Annual Meeting of the Society was held at Ann Arbor in March, 1962, in conjunction with the Michigan Academy meetings. Under the efficient and stimulating chairmanship of Henry K. Townes, who also organized the meeting, 19 papers were presented. Each speaker was kept rigidly to his allotted time, resulting in sufficient time for a brief discussion after every paper. Attendance reached a maximum of about 40 persons in the morning. Members had an informal lunch at the Michigan League, after which the Governing Board held a short meeting. Following the afternoon paper reading session, President David Cook conducted the business meeting. The membership accepted the financial report presented by the Executive Secretary, which showed a balance of \$399.34 (before payment of prize money; see below) mostly in a savings account in the Ann Arbor Bank. It was decided that following the next (1963) Annual Meeting the role of Chairman of the Entomology Section of the Michigan Academy will be merged with that of the President of the Society. Stanley K. Gangwere (Wayne State University, Detroit), former Executive Secretary of the Society, was elected President-elect by acclamation. Theodore J. Cohn (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor) was reelected Executive Secretary.

Awards for the Best Papers

This was the first year at which prizes were offered for the best papers presented at the meeting. The first prize of \$25 in the Undergraduate-Amateur category was awarded to G. C. Eickwort of East Lansing for his paper with R. L. Fischer on "A morphological study of the tibial

Dr. Knight - will you circularize your students?

Thanks - Ted Cohn

spurs of bees of the subfamily Halictinae (Hymenoptera, Halictidae) of eastern North America"; second prize of \$15 in this category went to B. A. Wilson of East Lansing for her paper with R. L. Fischer entitled "Taxonomic observations and distribution records of the millipede family Polyxenidae." The \$25 prize in the Graduate-Advanced Amateur category was awarded to Jean Musser of Ann Arbor for her paper, "The position of Utah in the dispersal of some western dragonflies (Anisoptera)"; the \$15 prize went to Dennis Owen of Ann Arbor for a paper entitled "Industrial Melanism in Moths." To these participants go the congratulations of the Society. To all the participants goes the appreciation of the Society for helping to make the meeting a success.

Membership Notes

One of the major functions of the Society is to help acquaint Michigan entomologists with one another and with their interests and work. This can be partially accomplished in the newsletter which will also provide introductions for those attending the Kalamazoo meetings, if members will send me brief resumes of their activities and interests for inclusion in the next, pre-meeting, issue of the newsletter. Our membership is slowly shrinking, which suggests that we are not contacting all the entomologists in the state. If you know of any persons interested in entomology, whether professionally or from an amateur standpoint, please send me their names and addresses.

Finances

Dues for 1963 are now due: \$2.00 for regular membership, \$1.00 for student membership. Your dues are supporting the Award program which costs \$80 each year. Since the last meeting our total income (dues and interest on the bank account) has been only about \$40.