

FLORIDA ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY**Meeting, April 24th, 1931**

The regular monthly meeting was called by President Byers at 4:00 P.M. There being no business to transact, the program was immediately turned over to the speakers. The subject of the meeting was in the form of a Symposium on the Insects of Florida Ornamentals. Dr. E. W. Berger opened the program with a discussion of the whitefly on Cape Jessamine, California privet and Chinaberry. Professor Watson then gave a discussion of a curculio in the nuts of tung-oil trees, together with remarks on the cicada in the ferneries in the vicinity of Jupiter, Florida. Mr. H. E. Bratley then gave a talk on the Polka Dot Wasp Moth on oleanders and the Phyllanthus caterpillar on the Phyllanthus. Both of these insects are proving great pests of their respective hosts in the southern half of peninsular Florida. This program was followed by an informal discussion by members led by Dr. Byers.

Those present included members Bratley, Byers, Grossman, Bess, Dickey, Watson and Berger, and visitors Miller, McClanahan, Kea, and Lawless.

L. W. ZIEGLER,
Secretary.

THE SIX-SPOTTED MITE

The outstanding entomological development of the spring in the citrus groves has been a heavy infestation of the six-spotted mite. The infestation is heaviest in Polk County where there has been a general yellowing of grapefruit leaves and considerable dropping, but the outbreak is general in a belt extending entirely across the State from Pinellas County on the Gulf to Brevard on the Atlantic. South of this belt including the Manatee section the mites, tho present, are much less numerous and north of this belt, including Lake and Volusia Counties, only an occasional tree has been attacked. Mr. Thompson at Lake Alfred was able to get a satisfactory kill even during the unusually cool weather of April, either by spraying with lime-sulphur or dusting with sulphur. The unsatisfactory results many growers reported were mostly due to poor coverage; failure to cover the under surface of the leaves with the spray or dusting during windy weather.