

MINUTES OF THE 63rd ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FLORIDA ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The 63rd Annual Meeting of the Florida Entomological Society was held in The Plaza (hotel) at Daytona Beach, Florida 27-29 August 1980.

The opening session was brought to order by President Norman C. Leppla at 1:03 PM 27 August 1980. The Invocation was by Howard V. Weems, Jr., Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACCS), Division of Plant Industry, Gainesville. The Welcome was by the Honorable Larry Kelly, Mayor of Daytona Beach. Among the announcements was a short report by W. L. Peters on the passing of Reuben Capelouto 5 July 1980. Reuben was a pest control operator and staff member of the Department of Entomology, Florida A. & M. University in Tallahassee, where he was instrumental in developing the pest control curriculum.

N. C. Leppla delivered the Presidential Address (see elsewhere in this issue), following which came presentations of scientific papers. Seventy-seven persons attended the morning session. The "Annual Bull Session" was held from 7 to 9 PM, 27 August 1980, C. W. McCoy presiding. F. W. Mead started the "Bull Session" by showing slides taken at the 61st Annual Meeting in St. Augustine, 5-8 September 1978. W. H. Whitcomb discussed an embryonic organization known as the Southeast (U.S.) Biological Control Working Group. H. V. Weems, Jr. read all the proposed changes of the Bylaws and interspersed comments on reasons for the changes. There was discussion on the possibility of having a Florida Congress of Entomology once every few years, and ideas for promoting entomological exchanges with Latin America were presented. The "Bull Session" was followed by an industry-sponsored hospitality hour. On Thursday, 28 August, the entire morning session was devoted to an Insect Behavioral Ecology Symposium. Thursday afternoon consisted primarily of the Graduate Student Paper Contest. The Awards Dinner was held Thursday evening poolside at The Plaza. The setting was memorable with palm trees, formations of brown pelicans flying back and forth overhead, music provided by the Duke Gainous Quartet, and a full moon rising over the adjacent Atlantic Ocean. The reading of scientific papers ended at noon on Friday, the total for the whole meeting being 44 presentations. G. B. Edwards of the Division of Plant Industry, presented an Invitational Paper on "The Salticidae of Florida."

The Preliminary Business Meeting was called to order by President Leppla at 4 PM, 27 August. Approximately 60 members were present. Secretary Mead presented the minutes of the 62nd Annual Meeting as published in the *Florida Entomologist* 63(2):262-75, June 1980. L. C. Kuitert moved that the minutes be approved as presented; seconded by A. G. Selhime; motion carried.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER AND BUSINESS MANAGER FOR YEAR ENDING 1 AUGUST 1980

RECEIPTS

Dues	\$ 5,106.00
Subscriptions	3,292.50
62nd Annual Meeting:	
Banquet	717.50
Registration	1,146.00
"Lovebug" Breakfast	28.00
Publication charges (page charges & reprints)	281.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$ 269.75

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Interest on Savings	354.34
	<u>\$11,285.09</u>
Checking Account Balance 1 August 1979	3,752.12
	<u>\$15,037.21</u>
DISBURSEMENTS	
Printing	\$ 8,791.81
Postage	124.55
Secretarial Help	285.93
Business Manager Stipend (March-August 1979)	600.00
Computer Expenses	100.83
Miscellaneous Expenses	52.68
4-H Entomology Medals	600.00
Handbook of Florida Entomologists (initial expense)	85.00
62nd Annual Meeting:	
Cash For Change	100.00
Program Printing	57.42
"Lovebug" Breakfast	70.97
Banquet	875.00
Speaker Gratuity	399.00
Refund One Banquet	6.00
Hospitality Hour	123.13
Awards, Student and Other	390.70
Coffee Breaks	66.97
63rd Annual Meeting	281.96
	<u>\$13,011.95</u>
Checking Account Balance 1 August 1980	2,006.91
Cash On Hand	18.35
	<u>\$15,037.21</u>
ASSETS	
First Federal Savings and Loan Balance	\$ 6,770.36
Checking Account Balance	2,006.90
Cash On Hand	18.35
Total Assets 1 August 1980	<u>\$ 8,795.61</u>

D. P. Wojcik

Treasurer and Business Manager

It was moved and seconded that the Treasurer's Report be approved; motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUSTAINING ASSOCIATES COMMITTEE

During May 1980, letters were sent to people who might be receptive to becoming Sustaining Associates. All of last year's Associates renewed, so at the present time, the Society has 28 Sustaining Memberships.

W. C. Adlerz, Chairman

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

This report is given by the Public Relations Committee whose primary responsibilities are to promote the Florida Entomological Society and the profession of entomology.

An announcement of the 63rd Annual Meeting in Daytona Beach was sent to many state and national publications. A professionally prepared news release on the meeting was sent to all newspapers, radio, and television sta-

tions in Florida before the meeting. During the meeting several local newspapers, radio, and television stations conducted interviews.

The Public Relations Committee spends much time in promoting the *Florida Entomologist*. Further, an effort was made this year, to establish better relationships with the Florida Pest Control Association. Invitations were sent to the Officers and Executive Director of the Association to attend our meeting. We hope our Business Manager and the Association's Executive Director will be in frequent contact with each other.

R. W. Flowers
A. R. Sponis
W. B. Tappan
L. K. Wojcik
W. L. Peters, Chairman

Secretarial Note: President Leppla commented that Dr. Peters and his committee had done an unusually fine job of public relations.

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

In June 1980, there were 769 subscriptions of which 482 were regular memberships (401 full, 72 student, 7 honorary, and 2 emeritus members), 18 were sustaining memberships, 234 were library memberships, and 35 were gifts or exchanges. Most of the 85 members dropped from the Society in December 1979 because of delinquent dues, were contacted by the Committee and some memberships were renewed. The Committee noted that there are few regular members in South America and that increased efforts should be made to solicit potential members.

D. Boucias
T. D. Center
S. D. Dyby
P. M. Grant
G. R. Buckingham, Chairman

NECROLOGY REPORT

Several of our members have passed away during the last year or so. They are:

Reuben Capelouto. (7 November 1920-5 July 1980). Reuben owned a pest control business, and was a staff member at the Department of Entomology, Florida A & M University, Tallahassee, Florida.

Robert K. Clark, Jr. (18 March 1922-12 June 1980). Biological chemist with Abbott Laboratories, North Chicago, Illinois, and more recently working out of St. Petersburg, Florida. Obituary, this issue of *Florida Entomologist*.

John T. Creighton (18 August 1905-23 May 1979). Retired Chairman, Department of Entomology, University of Florida. Obituary, *Florida Entomologist* 63(1):196-8, March 1980.

Stuart W. Frost (4 December 1891-21 January 1980). Professor Emeritus Pennsylvania State University; part-time researcher at Archbold Biological Station, Lake Placid, Florida. Obituary, *Bull. Ent. Soc. Amer.* 26(2):138, June 1980.

Ellery W. Jamieson (Deceased 28 December 1979). Resided at 4011 Florida Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33603.

Herbert Spencer (7 April 1894-1980). President of the Florida Entomological Society in 1940. Formerly in charge of entomological research, research in USDA laboratories at Ft. Pierce and Orlando, Florida. Dr. Spencer replaced W. W. Yothers at these labs.

Recently deceased non-members who made significant contributions to entomology in Florida include:

Francis F. Bibby (12 February 1894-3 March 1980). He was an assistant nursery inspector and assistant entomologist with the State Plant Board of Florida 1916-1917. See Obituary Bull. Ent. Soc. Amer. 26(2):134-5, June 1980.

Nell B. Causey (8 December 1910-31 October 1979). Dr. Causey was a long-time Research Associate of the Florida State Collection of Arthropods and a world-renown taxonomic authority on Diplopoda. She was formerly an Instructor at the University of Arkansas and Associate Professor in Zoology at Louisiana State University. She developed one of the largest private collections of millipeds in the world. It has been donated to the Florida State Collection of Arthropods.

Arthur W. Lindquist (17 March 1903-11 March 1980). Former Chief, Insects Affecting Man and Animals Research Branch, Entomological Research Division, Agricultural Research Service, USDA. He was stationed at the Orlando, Florida Laboratory 1942-1946, and involved in cooperative training courses with the University of Florida in alternate years from 1963-1971. Obituary, Bull. Ent. Soc. Amer. 26(2): 135-6, June 1980.

A few moments of silence were observed in tribute to the memory of these former colleagues.

F. W. Mead, Necrologist

REPORT OF THE AMERICAS COMMITTEE

The Americas Committee met 3 times during the year to consider ways of increasing the influence of the Florida Entomological Society in Central and South America and the Carribean. We discussed various methods of encouraging Latin American interest and participation as members and in submitting manuscripts. Among the many options considered, was the possibility of changing the name of the *Florida Entomologist*. This was rejected but the Committee did recommend adding the subtitle "An International Journal for the Americas" to be placed immediately under "*Florida Entomologist*" on the cover. To make room for this change, the committee also recommended that "The" be dropped from the front cover. Both of these changes have been put into practice. We also have recommended that all articles published in the *Florida Entomologist* have a Spanish abstract in addition to the English abstract. This will be implemented as soon as willing and competent translators can be recruited.

We also recommend increasing exchanges of the *Florida Entomologist* for foreign publications. A list of New World publications dealing with entomology has been prepared and is now being checked for accuracy and completeness. The Committee recommends that 2 members be appointed to work with the Business Manager to form an Exchange and Gift Committee to arrange exchanges and to determine in which library the foreign journals should be deposited.

G. B. Fairchild
L. C. Kuitert
R. I. Sailer
C. M. Sutherland
T. J. Walker
W. H. Whitcomb
D. P. Wojcik
R. E. Woodruff
D. G. Young
D. H. Habeck, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE HANDBOOK OF
FLORIDA ENTOMOLOGISTS

Dr. Susan B. Hydorn provided the idea and the impetus to get the handbook project underway. Elizabeth A. Schoborg contributed much volunteer time. After the Society provided financial support, the typing went quickly and we met our self-imposed deadline of August 1980.

About 340 entomologists are named in the handbook and about 50 organizations employing entomologists. We hope that the Society can maintain an updated list of Florida Entomologists and will print revised editions of the handbook from time to time.

S. B. Hydorn
E. A. Schoborg
H. V. Weems, Jr.
W. H. Whitcomb
S. H. Kerr, Chairman

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

The Auditing Committee has examined the books of the Business Manager and found them to be accurate and in good order.

The Committee wishes to express its appreciation to Dr. Wojcik for his efforts on behalf of the Society.

H. A. Denmark
D. H. Habeck, Chairman

The preliminary business adjourned at 4:40 PM 27 August 1980.

The final business meeting was called to order by President Beck at 11:25 AM 29 August 1980. Members present were 42.

REPORT OF THE HONORS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

On 28 August 1980, immediately after the poolside banquet, Dr. Fred A. Johnson provided the membership with a very accurate account of our honoree's extensive and distinguished entomological career. The honoree, Mr. James E. Brogdon, then received a plaque from Mr. Allen Selhime which reads as follows:

"The Florida Entomological Society pays tribute to James E. Brogdon, retired, in recognition of your many years of diagnosing pest problems and prescribing cures while maintaining the utmost professional 'bedside manner'. We hereby confer to you the honorary title, "Dr. of Entomology" August 28, 1980."

Since all the 10 allowable honorary memberships were filled, no further candidates were considered for 1980.

R. I. Sailer
A. G. Selhime
E. A. Moherek, Chairman

REPORT OF THE STUDENT AWARDS COMMITTEE

There was a gratifyingly large response to the invitation to students to participate in the student talks contest. Thirteen students competed, and additional students also made presentations outside of the contest.

All entrants were given a ticket to the banquet at which the awards were announced. The winners were:

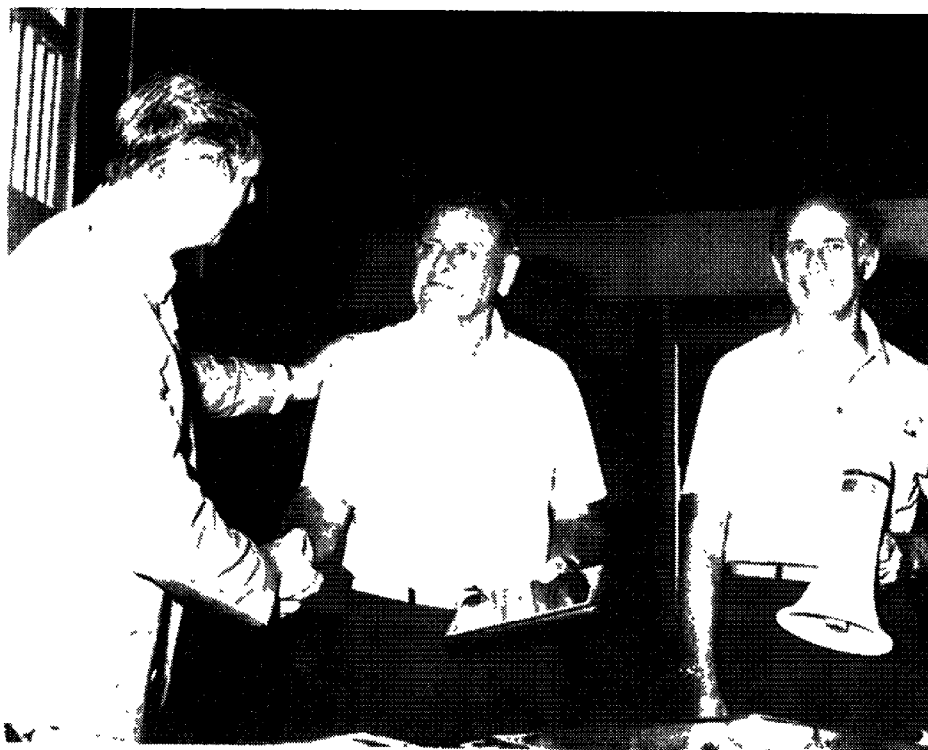


Fig. 1. Dr. Emil A. Moherrek, Chairman Honors and Awards Committee (left) congratulates James E. Brogdon who has just received a plaque from Mr. Allen G. Selhime (right) of this Committee. The plaque reads as follows: "The Florida Entomological Society pays tribute to James E. Brogdon, retired, in recognition of your many years of diagnosing pest problems and prescribing cures while maintaining the utmost professional 'bedside manner.' We hereby confer to you the honorary title, "Dr. of Entomology" August 28, 1980". Photograph by Frank W. Mead.

FIRST PRIZE (\$75): MARK S. FONTAINE "Seasonal Development of Reproductive Organs in the Deodar Weevil, *Pissodes nemorensis* (Germar)." See Fig. 2.

SECOND PRIZE (\$50): M. A. S. K. RANASINGHE "Incidence of Pitch Canker Fungus on Slash Pine Flower Thrips in a Pine Plantation in Florida."

THIRD PRIZE (\$25): PHILLIP D. PADGETT "A Continuous Model for Simulating the Predation of *Toxorhynchites rutilis* (Coquillett) on *Aedes aegypti* (Linnaeus)."

The winners also will receive appropriate plaques.

The contestants will be sent a summary of the scoring of all students by all judges as well as a detailed breakdown of their own individual performances. Both judges and students will be anonymous in the summaries.

J. F. Price
T. J. Walker
S. H. Kerr, Chairman



Fig. 2. Professor S. H. Kerr (left) gives first prize check of \$75 to Mark S. Fontaine, University of Florida, winner of the student paper contest. Photograph by Frank W. Mead.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

Resolution No. 1

WHEREAS the Florida Entomological Society, meeting at the Daytona Beach Plaza Hotel, found the facilities convenient and the staff hospitable,
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Society express its appreciation to the hotel management and staff.

Resolution No. 2

WHEREAS the Local Arrangements Committee has provided excellent organization and facilities for the 63rd Annual Meeting of the Society,
AND WHEREAS the speakers have given their time to share their work with us,
AND WHEREAS the support of Industry provided an enjoyable social hour.
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Society commend those individuals who helped make the meeting a success.

Resolution No. 3

WHEREAS President Norman Leppla, Business Manager Dan Wojcik, Secretary Frank Mead and members of the Executive and other committees have served the Society well,
AND WHEREAS the editors of the *Florida Entomologist* have maintained the journal's standards.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Society commend these individuals.

Resolution No. 4

WHEREAS funding of special projects in the past has been complicated by constitutional restrictions,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a Constitution Revision Committee revise Section VI, pertaining to funds, so that monies bequested for special projects can be allocated by the Executive Committee.

R. T. Sullivan
J. M. Sivinski, Chairman

E. A. Moherek moved that Report of the Resolutions Committee be accepted; seconded by A. G. Selhime; motion carried.

REPORT OF THE LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS COMMITTEE

Summaries: Registration totaled 160 persons; 88 rooms were used at the hotel; 111 banquet tickets were sold; 107 people were actually fed.

The Chairman thanks Jonas Stewart who was in charge of the projectors, and Cheryl Crozier who assisted him and prepared the blue posters seen at the meeting.

Recommendations: (1) We need to encourage pre-registration, even if it is necessary to have a slight discount under the registration fee. The Society might consider increasing the registration fee so that the annual meeting can completely carry itself financially; (2) There is a need to devise a standard guideline for speaker coordination with the projectionists; (3) There is a need to appoint a strong Industry hospitality committee to be responsible for their hospitality hour and to coordinate it with local arrangements.

J. T. Flavin
J. P. Stewart
P. J. Hunt, Chairman

REPORT OF THE LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Blue Ribbon Committee appointed 2 years ago by then President Bob Brooks and designated the Long Range Planning Committee by President Norm Leppla in its second year of existence, concentrated part of its energies during the second year in helping to bring to fruition some of the recommendations made the previous year. A primary recommendation had been that the Society take steps to extend its influence into and increase its appeal to Latin America. This seemed appropriate since many of the Latin American countries share entomological and agricultural problems with Florida. Furthermore the entomologists of some of these countries have expressed a need for a publication outlet which will give them greater exposure, and the *Florida Entomologist* could serve this need. As a step in this direction plans have been made to begin including a summary in Spanish of articles which appear in the *Florida Entomologist*, and an Americas Committee has been established to make an in-depth study of actions which might be taken by the Society to broaden the scope of its program in a manner which would encourage participation by Latin American entomologists. There is a general interest in tropical problems outside of the limits of the U. S., and Florida should provide that leadership.

This Committee was charged with providing recommendations for procedures which would provide for greater continuity from one administration to the next. This led to the appointment of an ad-hoc Constitution and By-

laws Committee to develop and recommend to the Society several changes in the Constitution and Bylaws. These changes would reconcile certain differences between the old Constitution and Bylaws and some of the practices and procedures of recent years. They should also substantially improve the transition from one administration to the next and provide for greater continuity.

This Committee has recommended that a greater effort be made to involve students at the several state universities and community colleges in the activities of the Society, and changes in the Constitution and Bylaws have been made toward this end, in addition to several other steps which are being made. This Committee recommends that a continuing special effort be made to find ways of getting a greater number of our Society members actively involved in carrying out the responsibilities and objectives of the Society.

This Committee has recommended that the Society promote the idea of a Florida Congress of Entomology to be held every 5 to 10 years at some central location. This congress would bring together people from the several entomologically oriented organizations within Florida, including those of the Florida Pest Control Association, the Florida Mosquito Control Association, the state universities and colleges, the Florida Entomological Society, and possibly others. Each congress would be planned by the designated representatives of these several organizations, who would select the time, place, and financial structure and plan the program. We recommend that during the next year the Florida Entomological Society take the initiative toward development of the first Florida Entomological Congress.

This Committee believes that in addition to the articles published in the *Florida Entomologist* another outlet is needed for more profound papers, basic in nature, and broad interest and international in scope. One step in this direction is the development of a series of special publications covering symposia developed by Dr. Jim Lloyd and Dr. Tom Walker. These new publications by the Society already are receiving wide acclaim.

A further recommendation toward broadening the scope of the Society's activities in a way which would further enhance its prestige and international appeal is that consideration be given to development of a new journal, possibly called *The Caribbean Entomologist*. Such a new journal would be self supporting through subscription and page charges. The broadening of the appeal of our existing journal may serve this need to a substantial degree, but further consideration should be given to the possibility of developing a second journal with somewhat different objectives.

A further recommendation is that the Society establish a *Memoirs* series, to be financed by a special revolving fund. We believe that this has great merit and should have a high priority in the considerations of the Long Range Planning Committee during the next year.

This Committee recommends the sponsorship of participation at our annual meetings of nationally and internationally known speakers from areas outside the southeastern United States. We recommend that increase funding be provided for this by the Society.

This Committee recommends that, as funds become available, this Society consider providing one or more graduate assistantships at the University of Florida, Florida A & M University, or possibly other state universities. These would be in the form of mini-grants. Also, we recommend that the Society sponsor state 4-H Club winners in their attendance at our state meeting and possibly at national meetings.

Other steps which might be taken to encourage research relative to insects and related arthropods in Florida would be the development of Florida Entomological Society publication grants, Florida Entomological Society research mini-grants, and Florida Entomological research achievement awards.

This committee recommends that consideration be given to the development of a Patrons group which could substantially augment the funding of the Society's activities.

A further recommendation is that this Society invite the Southeastern Branch of the Entomological Society of America to meet in Florida concurrently with the Florida Entomological Society. This probably would involve a change in the time that we traditionally have held our annual meeting, but we recommend that this proposal be given serious consideration.

This concludes the report of the 1980 report of the Long Range Planning Committee.

D. H. Habeck
S. H. Kerr
R. I. Sailer
A. G. Selhime
J. B. Taylor
H. V. Weems, Chairman

REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS COMMITTEE

The full report of this Committee appears elsewhere in this issue. A few minor changes were approved at the meeting. The proposals as amended, were voted on one by one as follows: Proposal No. 1: D. H. Habeck moved it be approved; seconded by E. A. Moherek; motion carried. Proposal No. 2: Moherek moved approval; seconded by R. F. Brooks; motion carried. Proposal No. 3: A. K. Burditt moved approval; seconded by A. B. Hamon; motion carried. Proposal No. 4: D. H. Habeck moved approval; seconded by Brooks; motion carried.

F. W. Mead, Secretary

NEW BUSINESS

M. L. Wright emphasized the need for the Society to have more money, to be on a sounder financial basis. He said money was needed for new ventures and unexpected expenses. He suggested that membership dues be increased \$5 or \$10 in a year or so. He also suggested that a double-spaced news release be given to members to take back home after the annual meeting as a handout for local newspapers. W. L. Peters said this was an excellent idea, and that the Society should have a meeting pre-release and a post-release. Wright said that well onto 85 members were lost last year, and that efforts should be increased to save these members and get new ones. T. J. Walker was in favor of routinely having our annual meetings at coastal locations in central Florida.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee proposes the following slate of officers to guide the Society for the 1980-81 year.

PRESIDENT: ELISABETH C. BECK

VICE PRESIDENT: WILLIAM L. PETERS

SECRETARY: FRANK W. MEAD

TREASURER AND BUSINESS MANAGER: DANIEL P. WOJCIK (starting the second of a 3-year term)

MEMBER-AT-LARGE TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: JAMES L. TAYLOR

A. K. Burditt
J. A. Reinert
R. F. Brooks, Chairman

H. V. Weems, Jr. moved that the nominations be closed; seconded by R. I. Sailer; motion carried. D. H. Habeck moved that the report of the Nominating Committee be accepted; seconded by G. B. Edwards; motion carried.

A. G. Selhime commented that ex-President W. B. Gresham, Jr. was unable to attend this meeting (he was attending a clinic in Boston) but that he was here in spirit to escort Elisabeth Beck to the podium to start her reign as President. Mr. Gresham is proud that when he was President, he gave Elisabeth Beck her first important committee chairmanship in our Society.

The 63rd Annual Meeting adjourned at 12:13 PM 29 August 1980.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS, 1979-80

16 November 1979	Gainesville, USDA Attractants Lab.
13 February 1980	Gainesville, USDA Attractants Lab.
14 May 1980	Gainesville, USDA Attractants Lab.
26 August 1980	Daytona Beach, The Plaza (hotel)

Frank W. Mead, Secretary



