

The shooting seems to be over. It remains to be seen how the world will heal its wounds and how long it will take. To many Old Timers and to some "on leave" in military services the war has been a long and agonizing grind. Enforced separation from science for a while longer will still try the emotional fortitude of some still more. But better days are ahead.

Problems of reconversion are not limited to national and international economies. There are complex problems of personal and institutional readjustment also; and the personal problems are vitally important to the persons concerned. They are important also to the institutions that are established to help a person solve his personal problems, in the broadest sense. There need be no fear that the individuals will not do their part. Whether it was basic character or education or both that enabled so many young scientists to adjust themselves to unwanted situations imposed upon them is one of those questions. But they did adjust. They have kept the torch of science and learning burning. They have retained their faith in the human values of knowledge and discovery. Will the institutions do as well? "The dignity and the freedom of the individual"; is this only platitudinous palaver or will our institutions give it meaning? Surely among the list of freedoms there should be freedom to serve society through science. And that is what every true scientist wants to do. Tremendous events force the lesson of humility on those who are hurled into them as well as on those who try to influence them. Frustration blocks attainment again and again. But what would be the fun of living if we didn't keep on trying!

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OLD TIMERS

Dr. J. Gordon GIBBS, agricultural adviser at Puerto Stanley, Islas Malvinas, wrote in April that "Aurora continues to bring us most of the social news we get from Minnesota these days...We shall have to call in on you some day and inspect the new quarters, but by contracts we seem to be bound here for another 12 months yet. However, U.F. is on the itinerary which leads us to New Zealand." When the GIBBS arrive, we shall have a fascinating Seminar story, about a country without milk although there were cows, without pastures although there were sheep, without aphids although there were potato virus diseases. Dr. GIBBS during his stay in the Falkland Islands has had opportunity to be analytical agriculturalist, veterinarian, and plant pathologist; yet he has expressed dissatisfaction at not being in the armed services, where, from letters we receive, plant pathologists are unhappy because they have not been able to use their agricultural skills! Now that the dividing line between the two groups will soon cease to exist, we hope each man can find, or work toward, a satisfactory niche for himself. But let the Great Institution of Grouching go on, protecting us from each other and from ourselves!

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Forester and Forest Pathologist, Dr. Ralph M. LINDGREN, who was in Mexico during much of the war, apparently has returned to active work in the insecticide and fungicide firm of "Dale Chapman and Company." Recently we received a postcard from him, postmarked Capetown, South Africa, on which he wrote as follows:

"Have just returned from Stellenbosch, where I fortunately ran into Dr. L. Verwoerd. He had recently returned to the University after about 4 years of active military service with the Union forces. We certainly had a pleasant time discussing all our mutual friends at University Farm and trying to out-do each other in our happy recollections of the Tottering Tower and all it contained. I found that he, like every one else, finds some of his happiest memories in such reminiscing. His last issue of the Aurora greeted my eyes as I stepped into the office, and it immediately seemed like Old Home Week. He asks to have his best wishes sent to Aurora, and mine go along with his...Kindest Regards."

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Dr. Earl J. Anderson, head of the Department of Plant Pathology at Pullman, Washington, is leaving, or has left, to return to his former position in Hawaii.

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Frank KAUFFERT, forest pathology Ph.D. in 1937, stepped across the lawn from Forestry on the evening of August 23 to hear Dr. Darley's thesis discussion in Seminar. His rank is now Professor of Forestry and Assistant Chief of the Division, the second title being only a few weeks old. Since Henry Schmitz, Forestry Chief, is also Dean of the College of Agriculture, Forestry, and Home Economics, we suspect that the title of Assistant Chief means lots of work for Dr. Kauffert. Congratulations, and may the desk work prove to be no work at all!

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Very recent Old Timer Dick DAVIDSON sent word to the Seminar on August 22 that he had been able to find Rhode Island after a very pleasant trip via Ohio (his native State), adding that "of course Ohio is a beautiful State to travel in the year round. If Ye Ed remembers correctly, on Davidson's last trip in Ohio he and Clyde Allison got lost in a blizzard, with only one fur coat between them! At Kingston, R. I., where the Davidsons hope to make their home if they can find a home, Dick has been assisting with nursery inspection. While in the field one morning, he was come upon by Old Timer Paul D. PETERSON, who related to Dick how he, Ralph Lindgren, and G. B. Sanford always used to win in an argument. "I took him at his word," says Davidson, "that was the thing to do, wasn't it, Stak?"

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Coyt WILSON, famous fisherman and Assistant Plant Pathologist at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, sends "regards to the Seminar," and hopes that he can visit Minnesota sometime this fall or winter. Remembering his general opinion of the winters, we suggest that the early bird gets to the Plant Path picnic and that procrastination leads to a snowbank!

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Recent Old Timer R. S. "Spence" MULLIN, who took his prelim on June 28 and his departure from these parts on July 6, is now occupied principally with vegetable problems at the experiment station at Norfolk, Virginia. He sends snapshots of the mountains at Tazewell, Va., but has not forgotten Minnesota, for he says, "It didn't occur to us that we would miss Minnesota like we have. I guess we just fell in love with the country there, not to mention the people in it. We do still like spring as a season though! Anyway we have certainly missed it all a lot."

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Apologies are demanded by Dr. Alan GEMMELL, because Aurora called him a "criminal biologist." Says the defendant: "I may not be very good; in fact, I may be very bad, but 'criminal' is a description I've never heard applied to me before, and after accepting Aurora's apologies I hope not to hear it again." Put it down to language barriers, please! Readers refer to the March-April issue for the background

of the controversy. GEMMELL wrote on August 10 from the Forensic Science Lab in Birmingham that he had had no holidays but hoped to get away in September, "when we'll go up to Scotland to breathe a little clear fresh air again." Sounds criminal to coop up a Scotsman in England!

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Dorothy BLAISDELL, wife of Lieut. John VAUGHN, of the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, broke a long silence on July 12 and broke out a stamp for a letter. With a heavy social schedule and a house and child to take care of, Dorothy says she is busy. Daughter Dana is blond, lively, and mischievous. John has been busy teaching, with plenty of it to do. "We will both be glad to get back to some contact with Plant Pathology...perhaps when the war is over we will be returning to complete the Ph.D's." Well, what are we waiting for?

Occupied also with daughter and husband and household is Guillermina (Billy) Rodriguez, of Mexico City. Sent a picture of the baby, whose godparents at her christening will be Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Harrar. Jose Rodriguez is continuing his rust studies, assigned by the Mexican Department of Agriculture to work with the Rockefeller group.

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Dr. Andrew Sugar-Beet DOWNIE of Rocky Ford, Colorado, dropped in at St. Paul on July 17 and announced two interesting items: 1, that he was the father of William Henry, third child and second son; 2, that Colorado had been highly overrated in Minnesota seminars. Meeting now open for discussion on both points.

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"Hoiman" A. RODENHISER returned from more western stations in July and remained several days to confer and edify. In field trips it was observed that he crossed a ditch and bent to make a rust reading on a wheat stem as agilely and easily as he used to in those days when he roosted in the Fourth Floor Front of the old Tottering Tower with other youngsters like Clyde Allison, J.J.C. and Matt Moore. Questions he posed in Seminar are mentioned elsewhere.

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"My copy of Sprealis came yesterday (July 26)," writes John T. PRESLEY, at State College, Mississippi. "I am inclined to agree with Shema and Silverberg that the K-ball team of '39, '40, and '41 would take the present club and give them cards and spades in the bargain. My bucolic taste in literature led me through the dissertation on the chief at bat, though I must admit that it became a trifle maudlin... It might be better said, 'The Chief loads, finesses first, has his ace trumped at second, and misses game by one trick.' It seems that you fellows are going pretty far afield this year in order to get a good licking handed to you. What's wrong with the cheerleader and manager this year that they can't persuade the Chief from taking on teams that can beat Plant Pathology by such an ungodly score...Greetings to all of you."

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Morris Reiner, 6 lbs. plus, arrived on August 7 at Orono, Maine, to make his home with Dr. Reiner and Mrs. Miriam BONDE. This makes 3 for Reiner, if our records are correct. Neither all boys like JJC, nor all girls like Olaf Aamodt!

At Crossville, Tennessee, Dr. E. L. LEGLERG was promoted to write to us from the midst of his reserve stocks of potato seedlings. Son Bobby, who will be a high-school sophomore this fall at Baton Rouge, La., was helping with the harvest. Says Dr. Erwin: "I often think of Minnesota and the seminars. My best regards to the members of the Division."

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Dr. Olaf AAMODT was here on July 30 from Washington, D. C., but didn't stay long enough to be interviewed by the social reporter. The weight of responsibility in administering the Division of Forage Crops and Diseases of the U. S. Dept. Agr.

apparently does not furrow his brow any more than did furrowing the old field plots of Plant Path when Olaf did all of the furrowing.

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Reproduction of a snapshot in an English garden of Old-Timer Dr. Dr. Guy R. BISBY and wife appeared recently in the South Dakota State College Alumnus. The caption read in part as follows: "Pictured here is Guy R. Bisby '12 and Mrs. Bisby. Dr. Bisby was a Who's Who in the December 1942 Alumnus...Recently some of our State graduates located in England had opportunity to meet with Dr. and Mrs. Bisby in their home...Dr. Bisby is doing a fine piece of work in the Imperial Mycological Institute." Ph.D., Minnesota, 1919.

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Former chief clerk in the Plant Pathology office, Gladys (Kelly) KEILMAN, has returned to Minneapolis with husband and young son, to make her home here. Mr. Keilman will travel in the Mid-West, with Minneapolis as headquarters.

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J. A. WATSON, of the University of Sydney, Australia, wrote on June 24,

"I am always thinking of you all at the Department of Plant Pathology and remembering what an awfully good time I had with you. I often look through the book that was given me by members of the DepartmentI have the job of keeping track of all agricultural graduates from this University and sending them, every term, a little paper on much the same lines as AURORA."

He wishes we might see his daughter, just 2 years old in June, with red curly hair. Says her parents look at each other to find out who was responsible for her looks and invariably return "to the decision that in genetical terminology she has transgressed the limits of her two parents."

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Dr. G. B. SANFORD, who returned to Edmonton on August 28 from his usual trip by car to the Canadian Rockies, wrote: "Now that the war is over and travel restrictions easing, we hope that some of us may see you soon at Minnesota or elsewhere...BROADFOOT, HENRY, CORMACK, and TYNER join me in sending best greetings to all our friends at Minnesota."

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Dr. C. S. WANG, whose difficulties were mentioned in the March-April issue, was forced to continue migrating: From King-Tze-Kwan, Honan, Wang escaped in March to Chao-Zwan, which is in the mountains to the southeast; about the middle of April he, with other groups, started on foot for Si-An, capital of Shen-Si, and finally for the present temporary site of Honan University at Wu-Sheng-Tzu, Pao-Chi, Shen-Si, from where he wrote on June 22. He expresses the hope that he will be able to continue working hard, is preparing a paper for publication in this country, and wishes to complete his textbook on plant pathology.

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From the University of Manchester on July 27, Dr. Jack WESTERN wrote, "We have just held a most successful plant pathology excursion to the East Malling Research Station in Kent,...At the meeting Clyde Christensen was elected a member of the Mycological Society...Young Richard (son) grows and flourishes....I am nearly bald now, but I try to preserve a youthfulness of spirit."

According to a letter written late in July, George E. HAFSTAD has returned from the jungles of Brazil, was occupied in writing a report in Washington, and is happy to be in his own country again.

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Dr. S. J. WELLENSIEK, Diedenweg 10, Wageningen, Holland, wrote a letter on July 22 which we wish we might reprint in full. He is the first of the Old Timers in occupied territory to be heard from since lifting of the censorship ban. Excerpts from his letter follow:

"This is just to inform you that both Mrs. Wellensiek and I are alive and in relatively good health. We are very anxious to hear from you and University Farm. Will you let us know...how our old friends are? ...Since September 17, 1944, Wageningen was in or near the front and this led to a compulsory evacuation...We live in our house again, that is to say, in two rooms...My planting material is lost for 99 percent and for the most part this embodied 7 years of work. Since the parents of the crosses also were lost, it can not be replaced...It is hard to start working again, practically from the beginning and without instruments...But the soil is there still, so that we hope to sow again.

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FLASH!

Dawn of the Atomic Age:

An idea for the future:

A waterless irrigation system to grow dried fruits such as prunes, raisins, etc.

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SERVICEMEN

King- On July 10 was located in Paris with the Information and Education Division, in charge of the agricultural section, and learning "plenty about cattle, hogs, sheep, poultry, as well as plants."

Rowell- After the end of the war in the Pacific, John wrote he would be satisfied to restrict his navigation to a canoe in the North Woods. Hopes his son, who weighs about 14 lbs. now, will want to fish when he gets older, and that before too long Father John can return to go on toward the Ph.D.

Thomas- For two months previous to August 15, Walt was stationed at an atoll base in the Carolines... "This morning at dawn we pulled into port and dropped anchor at our northernmost base in the Marianas. Three hours later, while I was on watch in the radio shack the first word of the Japanese capitulation was received--I had always wanted to be one of the first aboard to receive that special word...All the ships in the harbor were blowing their horns, firing rockets, etc...All ships are dressed out, presenting quite a colorful sight."

Wright- Celebrated V-J day in "fair style" at Assam, India, and looks forward more than ever to returning home.

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SERVICEMEN

Behr- Still with the Bureau of Ships, Behr has become one of the widely-travelled gentry; so well travelled, in fact, that this is the first letter we've had in a year. Behr stopped over in the Twin Cities in July, and despite the fact that his affections might have been tainted by visits to all cities in the country of over 500,000 population, he still maintains St. Paul to be the fairest in the land.

De Zeeuw- Don is now in Southern Germany with the 36th division. He was a little disappointed in the Danube, since at Ulm it is neither broad nor blue. Altho he hasn't had the opportunity to visit any of the German Universities, Don expresses a wish to be at home participating in a discussion of rust and/or smut.

Gugler- Faith, Yeoman 3rd class, visited the department on July 31. She now wears an "O" on her sleeve for communications and enjoys her life and work in Washington. Has met many different types of women--all of whom, she finds, have their good points.

Munnecke- Don appeared in Seminar August 2 and was urged to tell the group about Army life. He is now stationed in San Francisco.

Young- The only word from Harry was a brief note asking us to cease writing for the time being. (Maybe some of our other correspondents feel that way also.)

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BOOKSHELF

Old Timers have published the ff: THATCHER, Synergistic action between sulphonomides and certain dyes against gram-negative bacteria, Science, Aug. 3; FISCHER, Stem smuts of Stipa and Oryzopsis, Butler Univ. Bot. Studies, April; FISCHER+HIRSCHHORN, Stem smut on grasses, Mycologia March-April, and Ustilaginales of Washington, Wash. Bul. 459. VERRALL, Control of fungi in lumber during air seasoning, Botanical Rev., July; RODENHISER, Bunt reaction of hard red winter wheats in 1938-42, J. Amer. Soc. Agron., July; WALLACE, Technique for hastening foliage symptoms of citrus psorosis, also FISCHER, Ustilago spgazzinii, Phytopath. July; WEISS, check list revision cont'd, Pl. Dis. Rptr., June, July; CASSELL, Alfalfa black stem in Pennsylvania, Ibid. June 1, and Pea root rot in New York, July 1; HANNA, Lowe, and STAKMAN, on A. H. R. Buller, in August Phytopath.

Sputings from the FF: MOORE, Hayes, STAKMAN, Field reactions of oats to stem rust, Phytopath. July; C. M. CHRISTENSEN, wild mushrooms good to eat, Minn. Hort. July; TERVET, Microflora of wheat and barley seed, Pl. Dis. Rptr., June.

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PUBLIC SERVICE

C. J. Eide and I. W. Tervet, accompanied by the Kentucky kernel James A. Lyle, were present in and around Crockston for Crops and Soils Day on July 13. There were 350 registered and many informal chats. Carl hitched up his trousers and laced into his listeners in a scheduled appearance on "Potato Late Blight."

Sidelights on this trip found Eide and Tervet walking along the road toward Crockston---which apparently made it seem to the Border Patrol that they might have walked in from Canada. These worthies obviously didn't know our men and their non-athletic proclivities or they wouldn't have been under any such misapprehension. Eide was quickly cleared, as the patrol is probably used to "Nord Dakotans", but Ian had a little explaining to do. Knowing that he was in the clear, he pulled the boys' legs a little by being intentionally vague and merely answering questions---not offering any additional clarifying facts. P.S. He was allowed to remain in the country.

Lyle came home on a borrowed tire and what amounts to a prayer from him---he held his breath, because another of his sad sacks was leaking.



We have with us one R. E. Atkinson, who has given up his status as an Old Timer to come back and again be one of the local seekers after truth. At present he is working as Assistant Plant Pathologist in Extension, in which capacity he assists R. C. Rose with the phone calls and letters bearing the usual miserable miserly specimens.

He reports that anthracnose disease of white oak seems to be epiphytotic; and that root rot of strawberries is prevalent, as are also potato black leg, apple scab, and fire blight. He has been carrying the burden of the radio talks, and July 25 found him "Diagnosing Plant Diseases" by air; August 1 he made a cuke and tomato salad; and then he whipped up the centerpiece August 22 when he discussed "Ornamentals."

It was rumored for awhile that Atkinson had been hired as a sort of "seeing eye" for Rose, but that has all been cleared up along with R. C. R.'s vision. Rose complained one day that everything was fuzzy, that he must be going blind. Even so he managed to figure out a note on his desk which said some man wanted his glasses back. Rose tried to pin it on Rost in Soils and all the other similar names on campus but finally called and found he had "borrowed" the glasses in the barber shop a day or so before. 'Tis said the glasses were exactly the same (except for the lenses).

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LOCAL NEWS

We are sorry to announce the death of Dr. Frederick K. Bugters, professor of botany, on August 1, as result of a heart attack. Early in July, he served on the "prelim" committee of one of our most recent Old Timers. He appeared in good health and in his best intellectual form. Sixty seven years old, he would have retired after one more year of service.

Dr. Frederick E. Clements, chairman of the botany department until 1917, died July 26 in Santa Barbara, California. He was in his seventy-first year.

NEW ARRIVALS

Michael G. Boosalis of Minneapolis, a former lieutenant in the A.A.F., has dropped from bombardiering to the pursuit of graduate work in plant pathology.

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Huan-Ru Wang recently arrived as a lend-lease student from China*****

M. K. Hingorani and wife arrived August 6 from Delhi, India. Mr. Hingorani holds a two year Wattamull Fellowship to study plant pathology. Mrs. Hingorani will study home economics and child psychology.

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VISITORS

Dr. W. B. Allington, U.S.D.A. soybean pathologist from Urbana, Illinois stopped in for a few days conference with interested Minnesotans.

Dr. R. J. Haskell, U.S.D.A. Extension Pathologist from Beltsville, visited Rose's cabbage seed treatment demonstrations and conferred with other celebrities.

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Members of the Federal Land Bank Association visited the field plots
* * * and plant path building late in July * * *

Captain Robert A. Phillips conferred with Dr. Harvey and Mr. Rose on the hydroponic culture of vegetables in the tropics, preliminary to the establishment of a training course at Wright Field, Ohio,
* * * * * for army personnel. * * * * *

VERY LOCAL

Dr. Helen Hart entertained the local Soroptomists Club at dinner in the plant path building August 10 and then entertained them with a tour of the laboratories and explanations by women members of the Division on the different types of work being done. It is rumored that the male population tagged along behind and listened thru the door cracks.

The last week of August saw Rust-Race and Woodsman
Loeering in a canoe in the north country of
Minnesota.

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Mrs. E. O. Mader and son have returned to their home in Ohio because of sickness in the family, leaving Dr. Mader to batch it during the rest of his sojourn here.

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Dr. Ellis Darley made the final stretch on V-J Day 2, Doctors Schmitz, Burr, Sharsmith, Hart and Stakman contributing their holiday to give him the final onceover. As soon as a passport can be provided, he is scheduled to leave for Liberia where he will spend one year working out control measures against the panel diseases of rubber for the Firestone Plantations Company. Mrs. Darley and children will spend the year in Denver. Darley lost 10 pounds during the last 60 days, which should facilitate his aerial transportation to Liberia.

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Dr. C. J. Eide took three weeks vacation during August to build a concrete sidewalk from his house to garage and to travel with his sons to "God's country" (N.D. to him).

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Dr. Elisa Hirschhorn visited points of interest in Ames, Chicago, and Madison July 17-27.

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** Whose Birthday comes on August 22? **



This is a man power shorty
Sometimes seen working
in the Plant Path Fields !!

- Sports ?

Competitive sports have disappeared from the scene for the nonce, and summer activities have taken the spotlight, except for Roane's tennis playing with "Perpetual Motion" Tooty (office), and DuCharme's cousin Susie (lab). It is rumored about that Roane wins only because he owns the sole pair of genuwine rubber sneakers hereabouts.

Fishing has been variable, with DuCharme and Stevenson reporting poor catches in nearby lakes. Teller and Co. brought back 35 bass, northern pike and walleyed pike, one Sunday, results of fishing a lake near Brainerd. The other fishermen had him on a rack trying to force him to reveal the whereabouts of this fisherman's paradise, but the only words heard passing his clenched teeth were, "the best d--- fishing west of Brooklyn!"

The St. Paul summer pop concerts, now combined with ice-skating, and the recent performance of "Carmen Jones" have given St. Paul a very pleasurable music season. This reporter borrowed Lyle's field glasses, sat in the last row of the last balcony, and enjoyed a front row orchestra seat, besides noting the gold filling in Carmen's left upper molar.

Canoe trips are in season, with the Feldmans, Roane and friend, and DuCharme paddling from Taylor's Falls to Stillwater. Reports are that the trip took 3 days, because of headwinds and too much good food. Five pounds of bacon for two breakfasts did not daunt these hardy voyageurs. DuCharme refused either to give to or share with Katie Cummins his nice new bedroll, and is no longer considered a gentleman nor a Frenchman. Roane had a four foot ground-cloth to cover his six-foot frame. After debating which was more important to cover, his feet or his face, Roane's visage lost out and was bared to the attacks of the miniature "Stuka bomber" mosquitoes. He might have done one of three things suggested to him by his solicitous companions, viz.: bandage his head tightly, cover it with sand, or immerse it in water, using a straw to breath through, if necessary. Roane passed a very sleepless night.



This might be titled "The Battle of the Century, or, A Mite Too Much". The following M. S. luckily fell into our hands, and here are both sides, uncensored, quoted verbatim:

Dear Mathew: Honored Sir and Colleague.

On behalf, and at the urging of my co-workers in this esteemed laboratory, we individually and collectively desire to know the progress of your investigations on the culture of Arachnidae (mites or nuts to you). In view of the other investigators that are trying to succeed within these four walls (more or less), I have been asked to transfer your important plant collections (probably known to you as junk) elsewhere.

With our wrothful greetings and salutations, we remain,

Your trusting colleagues,
The rest of this moldy gang.

Ian W. Tervet
D. R. Gordon
M. G. Boosalis

The following is Matt's reply:

8-27-45
3:45

Damn right-

But how long does it take for mites to crawl offn fresh soybean plants with the dirt on the roots.

Not so respectfully,
Matt.

And old seed in the cupboard--and "what all" do you have in your desks?

To coin a phrase: Scientia omnia vincit!

SUMMER SEMINARS

July 5. Spencer Mullin officiated for the last time on this night as chairman of the Seminar. The new Seminar Book presented by Melander was inaugurated after it was properly inscribed by the donor. The usual after-Seminar doings were changed this time, so that the tea for Mullin could be held with proper ceremony.

July 6. James A. Lyle took over as new chairman of the Seminar and discovered that he didn't know all about Robert's Rules of Order. Rodenhiser was here and saved the day with a profound discussion of leaf rust along the East Coast, and of the smut problem, particularly dwarf bunt of wheat. The evening ended with a free-for-all about naming new species of smut. Chen Tong furnished food, Mmmmm.

July 19. Literature was reviewed by several people. The evening was highlighted by the sumptuous repast which followed; Stake's banquet of ice creams and cakes reminds one of the famous dinners that Hot Biscuit Slim used to whip up for Paul Bunyan. Stake was passed with reservations after he had been cross-examined on many items concerning Minnesota history and other topics, including baseball.

July 26. This week Lyle had Robert's Rules of Order, 1898 edition. (They seem to be quite backward in Kentucky.) Munnecke unexpectedly walked in on the group, and a three-minute recess was voted in order that all could greet the visitor. Don was properly questioned, and the session terminated with a discussion of a draft program for universal military service. Da Silva (minor Pl. Path.)^m "provided" and was grilled about Brazilian agriculture.

August 2. Literature was reviewed by a few members. Melander expatiated on the magnitude of barberry bushes in the State of Washington. He and the Chief debated at length about the relative size of Minnesota-grown barberry bushes in comparison to those the rest of the world could produce. Food on Melander was adequate and delicious.

August 9. Literature. The new graduate student from India, Mr. Hingorani, made his debut. Bob Atkinson expatiated about his travels and experiences much to the edification of the seminar. The food was on Bob. Plenty of it and good.

August 10. No SEMINAR! V.J. DAY.

August 23. On this ever-to-be-remembered night, Ellis F. Darley expounded about the mysteries of his thesis, rubber trees and panel diseases. Earl Hanson supplied: my what a sight that was, with cheeses various and sundry, crackers of many types, and many other goodies calculated to produce gastronomic disorders.

August 30. No Seminar. Instead, Seminar was adjourned to Northrop Auditorium so that the group could bear witness when Darley got his Ph.D. His was the first Ph.D. granted by the new University president, James Lewis Morrill.

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In a discussion at Thursday evening seminar on Cucurbita maxima and C. maxima pepo (pumpkin to those who have forgotten), the Chief carefully explained that the variety was thus named because we made peepholes in it on Hollowe'en!

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