



Wherein are recorded the recollections, the ruminations and the raspirations of those who have drunk from the foaming fount of the Department of Plant Pathology of the University of Minnesota and who now spout forth in divers ways

Let the fount foam and never run dry
 Let the spout squirt and never lose power

OLD TIMERS

Another honor has been added to the long list of honors awarded to Old Timer J. G. CRAIGIE. According to Nature, of March 29, he was elected Fellow of the Royal Society--"distinguished for his elucidation of the mechanism of sexual reproduction of the rust fungi and for his studies of the genetics and epidemiology of the cereal rust...."

Craigie plans soon to terminate his official duties, travel to Europe, and then to do as he pleases!

Dr. S. J. WELLENSIEK sent "best greetings to everybody" on July 3 from Laboratorium voor Tuinbouwplantenteelt der Landbouwhogeschool, at Wageningen.

In August, after his return to Surinam, (Dutch Guiana) Frank del PRADO wrote that he was very busy and that he also was engaged to be married!

"Eat only Norwegian sardines!" adjured Martin TVEIT, our only Old Timer from Norway. Now on a scholarship at London University, in England, he, too, is interested in a young lady--whom he discovered botanizing along the roadside.

That great follower of the race track, Dr. Fred DAVIES with Helen Davies (former Plant Path secretary) visited the Davies home site in Wales and toured other countries as well. At Baden-Baden he said, "Lieber den Magen verrenken als dem Wirt etwas schenken."

The French cereal pathologist, J. PONCHET, who spent the summer of 1951 at Minnesota, offers to serve as guide to ANY Old Timer who visits Paris.

Personal greetings from New Delhi, India, were brought to Minnesota by A.P. MISRA's brother, who came recently to take advanced work in English.

It's another boy! Oscar Pedro Eckard was born to Old Timer VALIEGA and wife on May 1 in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Rodrigo ORELLANO, originally from Ecuador, Ph. D. Minnesota 1948, stationed at Turriaba, Costa Rica, and close neighbor to Bill Loegering, has become a citizen of the U. S. A. and is very happy about it.

Enroute to Colombia with wife and 2 husky boys, Ricardo CARDENOSA sent a card from Mexico to the Seminar: "Best wishes for all and every one of the members, all of them remembered for his kindly friendship to the fellow from Colombia.... Every old timer sends also his regards from Mexico City. Yes, sir!"

At the II Reuniao Latino-Americana de Geneticistas e Fitoparasitologistas there was another one of those convivial get-togethers:

"Un saludo de todos nosotros para todo de todo corazon!"

--from G. Garcia-Rada (Peru), L. C. Felix and Leonel Robles (Mexico), Dutch Harrar (New York), W. V. Harlan (Ecuador), Jose Vallega (Argentina), Ady da Silva (Brazil), Joe Rupert (Colombia) and some other signatories even less identifiable.

Aladdin and his wonderfullamp! As children we were entranced by the thought of floating thru the air on a magic carpet! But we never guessed that we might one day KNOW one of the Arabian Knights.... Dr. J. Lewis ALLISON, of North Carolina State College, "left June 14 by air for Iraq where he will spend a year as adviser to the government on behalf of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations."

At the University of Sydney (Australia) Centenary Celebrations, held in August, Old Timer Robert J. NOBLE was invited by Minnesota's director of relations to represent the University of Minnesota. On July 30 he stated: "I have just examined my hood and my trencher for the University functions." Mrs. Noble also examined her wardrobe for the social events and said she had "nothing to wear!"

Mike DALY, one-time Seminar chairman who transferred to the Botany Department, obtained the Ph. D. degree in August and now holds an assistant professorship in plant physiology at the University of Notre Dame. A daughter, Catherine Mary, came to live with Mike and Sally in July.

One of Dr. Harvey's students, George LATIES, will soon be leaving California Tech. to join the Plant Physiology department at the University of Michigan.

"Iron and Man" was contributed to the Seminar Library by Wayne ELLETT, at Columbia, Ohio. News of Minnesota visitors to Ohio--T. N. Shukla, L. W. Melander and C. J. Olson (now at Yoder Brothers, Barberton)--also was contributed on June 6. On this date Ellett inquired, "Has the snow all melted at U.F. by now?" Today--October 6, a few feathers floated down, presumably from white ducks flying south.

Also in June Lt. Col. Warren N. CHRISTOPHER reported another change of address: From New Jersey to the Tripler Army Hospital, Honolulu, T. H. on Aug. 1. His mail should go to Casual Personnel Section, Base P.O., U.S.A.R.P. A.C., APO 958 c/o PM, San Francisco.

Ex-plant-path-secretary Mrs. Gail Covey sent her address in September: 51 Kenmore, Jamestown, New York.

Next secretary to leave--Mrs. Veva Spier--vacationed in California in August before returning to Columbia, Missouri, where her husband will continue his graduate work.

Bill P. graminis LOEGERING reported from Costa Rica in April that in the course of mountain climbing he had found a barberry bush!

From Wooster, Ohio (where there seems to be a lack of WEATHER), Thor (late-wilt-of-early-flax) KOMMEDAHL reported that "winter never arrived; late fall merged imperceptibly with early spring."

But listen to this from California: "The winter months here are cold enough to make you shiver and the summer months quite hot, so I don't think I'm going to miss the seasonal changes too much," said Don MUNNECKE, of Los Angeles, in March. When he feels strong enough to brave the traffic, he visits Riverside to see Old Timers Wallace, Darley, and Cohen.

Mort COHEN himself reported on the weather there but in a more complimentary way. Said he had not seen Bob Atkinson, although his address in April was 7423 E. Graves Avenue, San Gabriel.

Big Andy (C. George) ANDERSON has given up his quarantine work in Oregon and returned to Proctor, his home town in Minnesota.

Dr. George H. STARR, formerly in charge of pathological work, Division of Agronomy, at the University of Wyoming, was made head of the Extension Service on April 1.

On May 2, James A. "Jim" LYLE, of Auburn, Alabama, extended best wishes to the Minnesota folks from himself and other Minnesotans--Coyt Wilson, Dick Davidson, and J. L. Seal. In spite of the influence of Alabama and Minnesota, Jim's thoughts were back in his native Kentucky when he wrote, with the problems of basketball and football proselyting.

According to Hugh FITZPATRICK, our mailing list is two moves behind him: His address now is 9663 Estrellita Avenue, Arlington, California. He wishes it were possible to drop in at St. Paul and renew old acquaintances.

Dr. Phares DECKER, plant pathologist at Gainesville, Florida, wrote on Aug. 22 that "ten years in Florida seems as only a few weeks. My family--2 boys, Glenn 11 and David 9, and 1 girl, Pharlee, 4--and I are happy in Florida." He also declared that he read Aurora from "start to finish."

