

CONTROL SCHEME FOR HOPPERS

Research to Find Breeding Areas

MEASURES NEEDED

RESEARCH was in progress to find the reasons for the occurrence of grasshopper plague in Southern Australia in certain years. Dr. J. Davidson, head of the Department of Entomology at the Waite Institute, told members of the Legacy Club their weekly luncheon today.

He said that this year the more concerted move to be made in the early stages of the future plagues.

Control measures would be more effective if they were put into force before the infected areas became too extensive.

The pests were major problems in agricultural areas in several countries.

Grasshoppers and locusts belonged to the same family. They were generally plant feeders, and they were an individual might eat 20 times its own weight in green feed the actual loss in crops was not so extensive.

Dr. Davidson

The so-called wandering hopper in this State appeared to be more prevalent in the drier northern parts between the 10 in. and 15 in. rainfall line. In particular seasons the insects multiplied and spread over the agricultural areas. In these areas, however, the infestation was temporary and might occur for one or two seasons only.

Research was necessary to establish the areas where the hoppers were always present. When a plague was indicated it was desirable that organised measures should be taken to destroy the hoppers in their early stages. It was essential that there should be a communal organisation. Commensurate methods of destroying the eggs beds should be used.

Parasites played a part in controlling the normal increase of the pest, but when conditions were such that infestation the parasites were unable to maintain adequate control.

Poison Checks Plague

Poisoning is proving an effective check to young grasshoppers in the Murray Swamp. Irrigation has been used.

The District Clerk of Mobilong (Mr. Abbott) said today that he had distributed more than a ton of poison to settlers in the past week. Although the insects that took the bait had been killed millions were still hatching and descending on the irrigation areas from the higher country.

So anxious is the district council to keep the pest in check that it has granted Mr. Abbott a licence to use the poison to enable him to concentrate on the work of extermination.

BANNED BOOKS NOT ON PUBLIC SHELVES

Policy of Librarians in Adelaide

Books unsuitable for general reading were not to be placed on public shelves in this State, according to Adelaide librarians who commented yesterday on the reports that a number of banned books were in the Federal Parliamentary and Victorian Parliamentary and circulating libraries and the libraries at Parliament House and the University of Adelaide, citing the works of Boccaccio, Rabelais and Casanova that have been banned by the Commonwealth censor. These books are kept in a place apart, and it is left to the discretion of the officer in charge of the library to decide whether they are to be permitted to read them or are to be given to students. The same conditions apply to works by Freud and writers on sexual psychology.

The position is complicated by the fact that when a book is banned, an advisory public interest is aroused, and means are devised for smuggling it into the country. Again, the officials at the Adelaide circulating libraries have some difficulty in disallowing for certain whether the Government regards a particular book as obscene or not. Sometimes the importation of banned books is checked, while the sale of remaining stock continues.

The Adelaide Parliamentary Library, unlike that at Canberra, exists mainly for purposes of reference, and does not stock books of fiction. The Publishers Bureau of Victoria is well stocked with fiction, and are not confronted with the problem of what to do with banned books.

FAMOUS SURGEONS TO MEET IN MELBOURNE

Distinguished Gathering At Opening Of Building

MELBOURNE, February 8.

What is regarded as one of the most distinguished gatherings of surgeons yet held in the Southern Hemisphere will meet early next month for the opening of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons' new building in Victoria, and the eighth annual meeting of the college. The building was presented to the college by the Government of Victoria, and it will be opened by the president of the Royal College of Surgeons of England (Sir Robert Martin) on Monday, March 4.

The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh will be represented by a member of the council, Mr. Henry Wade, and the American College of Surgeons will send as its representative Dr. Donald McLaughlin, chief of the surgical staff of the Mayo Clinic, one of the leading institutions of its kind in the world. Professor Edward Archibald, of the McGill University, will represent the Canadian College.

Sir Darcy Power, a former Vice-President of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, and a leading authority on historical surgery, and Professor John Fraser, who occupies the chair of clinical surgery in the University of Edinburgh, will also be present.

The University of Cape Town will be represented by its Professor of Surgery (Professor C. G. P. de la Motte). Professor of Surgery of the Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore (Professor Dean Lewis) will attend on behalf of the famous school of clinical medicine. Two hundred and fifty Fellows from all parts of the Commonwealth and Zealand will attend the demonstrations and lectures, which will occupy the remainder of the week. The Governor of Victoria has agreed to lecture on the subjects on which they are authorities, and, at the public hospital, he will give the most recent developments of surgery, and demonstrating the results of research all over the world. The Government of Victoria will supplement the lectures.

ADV. 11-2-35

Mr. John A. La Nause, the new lecturer in economics at the University of Adelaide, arrived in Adelaide, after a visit to the Orford from Perth, on Saturday. He has gone into residence at St. Mark's College.

Mr. La Nause returned to Perth from Oxford, Western Australia, he was first class honors in general political philosophy and economics. When Mr. J. A. La Nause was selected as the 1931 Rhodes Scholar for Western Australia, he was 19 years of age. In 1929, his first year at the University of Western Australia, he was captain of the first class honors. He obtained distinction in each. He entered in the Arts School of History and Economics, and took honors in the latter subject in 1931. As an athlete, Mr. La Nause was prominent at Perth. He has been a successful athlete in tennis. In 1927 and 1928 he was open schools champion of the State in singles and doubles. The University he was captain of the team which won the Slazenger Cup in 1929.

Professor J. W. Mackail, professor of ancient literature in the Royal Academy, who was admitted as second gradum to degree of Doctor of Laws at the University of Adelaide in 1928, has had conferred upon him the high distinction of Order of Merit. In June, 1923, Professor Mackail gave three lectures here, on poets and poetry. Professor Mackail was the professor of poetry at the Oxford University. He has been president of the British Academy since 1922, president of the Classical Association, and president of the English Association. Professor Mackail is an honorary fellow of Balliol College, Oxford.

Mr. R. E. Priestley reached Fremantle in the Nestor on Saturday, and is bound for Melbourne, where he will take up the position of Vice-Chancellor of the University. At 21 he was a member of the Shackleton Antarctic Expedition, and he left Sydney University to join the Scott Expedition. He has recently been for eight years secretary of the General Board of Faculties, Cambridge University, and he is a member of Clare College.

NEWS 9-2-35

S.A. Surgeons Will Attend Opening of Building

South Australia will be well represented at Melbourne next month for the official opening of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons' building in Victoria. The opening ceremony will be performed by the president of the Royal College of Surgeons of England (Sir Robert Martin).

Sir Henry Newland, of North Adelaide, will attend as president of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons. It is expected that between 15 and 20 Fellows of the college from this State will be present. All branches of surgery will be represented.

Demonstrations and lectures will be held for a week after the opening of the building.

Surgeons from the Commonwealth and other parts of the world will assemble.

ADV. 12-2-35

Mr. Arved Kurts, who was recently appointed visiting teacher at the Eider Conservatorium, will leave San Francisco on March 5 by the Monterey and reach Adelaide either on March 31 or April 1. He has been engaged in the United States for several months, and owing to the number of his engagements has been unable to reach Adelaide earlier. He will begin his teaching in the second term, but before that date will probably be heard in his inaugural recital in the Eider Hall.

ADV. 13-2-35

The Governor yesterday presented to Mr. Alexander L. Kennedy a polar medal and clasp for his services with the British, Australian and New Zealand Antarctic Research Expedition, 1930-31.

S.A.'s RHODES SCHOLARS

31 Nominated: 17 Still Abroad EIGHT WORK IN STATE

Of the 31 Rhodes Scholars South Australia has nominated since 1904 only eight are now working in the State. Four others have appointments in other parts of Australia, two are dead and the remaining 17 are overseas, some with high positions and some still studying.

South Australian Rhodes Scholars since 1904 have been—1904, N. W. Jolly; 1905, B. L. Robinson; 1906, W. R. Reynolds; 1907, W. Ray; 1908, R. J. Rudall; 1909, K. H. Fry; 1910, H. W. G. Carter; 1911, J. E. London; 1912, S. Howard; 1920, H. L. A. Brose; 1921, H. W. Flory; 1922, T. G. Astburn; 1923, D. J. B. Sumner; 1924, E. Thyer; 1925, M. L. Forby; 1926, R. A. Ward; 1927, R. G. Milton; 1928, J. G. D. B. Dorsch; 1929, B. W. Hoeg and L. C. Wilcher; 1931, B. G. Macgrath; 1932, E. W. Gray; 1933, T. S. Dorsch; and 1934, J. S. Prichard.

Those who are now working in the State are Dr. Walter Lister, 1912; Dr. Reginald J. Rudall, M.P. (solicitor at Gawler); Dr. Kenneth H. Fry (Eastwood); Dr. C. E. Magellan (University); Dr. E. Britton Jones (Adelaide); Dr. L. C. E. Landon (Adelaide); Dr. J. G. D. B. Dorsch (Adelaide); and Dr. F. L. Thyer (Kadina).

Appointments are held in other parts of Australia by Mr. P. E. Williams, who has been in Papua for 12 years and is stationed at Port Moresby; Mr. J. G. D. B. Dorsch, who has recently completed 12 months' leave in England and while there graduated in science at the University of London; Mr. John H. Reynolds, who is senior tutor at St. George's Hospital, Perth, and resident lecturer at that University; and Mr. Lewis C. Wilcher, who is Dean of Trinity College, Perth, and retired Commissioner of Forestry in N.S.W., but has retired and is living temperately at Glenelg.

Those Overseas

The most recent news of those overseas shows that Sir Roy Adcock, Rhodes scholar, has been appointed chairman of the British Forestry Commission, and Dr. Walter R. Beyer, a Rhodes scholar, graduated in arts; Mr. John H. Reynolds, who is senior tutor at St. George's Hospital, Perth, and resident lecturer at that University; and Mr. Lewis C. Wilcher, who is Dean of Trinity College, Perth, and retired Commissioner of Forestry in N.S.W., but has retired and is living temperately at Glenelg.

So far as is known Mrs. Howard L. Rayner and Hugh W. B. Dorsch, the last known address of Mr. S. Howard was 43 Queen Anne street, London. Dr. Bert Lister, who was at the General Hospital, Toronto (Canada), at the end of 1933, is now in charge of the department of biochemistry at Howard W. Flory is the Joseph Hunter Professor of Pathology at the University of Cambridge. Dr. T. Ashurst was last known to be at Clement street, New York. Dr. Myles L. Forby is still practising in London.

Dr. Ronald G. Milton is a science master at Clifton College, Bristol. He obtained his degree of Doctor of Philosophy while at Magdalen College, Oxford. Mr. W. R. Reynolds is physician at the Buteoats School (England).

Mr. Brian W. Hoeg is English master at Marlborough School (England), and is in charge of the school cricket. Dr. Brian G. Macgrath was awarded a Fellowship to the Statens Medical Fellowship, tenable for five years at Exeter College, Oxford. He was residing in Exeter at the time of his nomination. Mr. Eric W. Gray is an honorary scholar of St. Christ Church, Oxford, and Mr. G. D. B. Dorsch is residing at the College. Dr. J. S. Prichard, last year's Rhodes Scholar, has entered Magdalen College, Oxford.

The eighth Australian Rhodes scholars who are dead are Mr. Harry Thomson, K.C., and Mr. W. Mervyn Thomson, who was in action in France in 1915. Mr. W. R. Reynolds died in February, 1918. At the recent biennial conference of the Association of Rhodes Scholars in Australia, in Melbourne, it was resolved to ask the Rhodes Trust (Dr. J. C. V. Behan, Warden of Trinity College, Melbourne) of the plans of the Rhodes Trust to send a representative to try to secure suitable appointments for the scholars in Australia.