

THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIRST MEETING

The 351st meeting was held Friday, 30 March 1973 in the Morrison Auditorium of the California Academy of Sciences, Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, with President Chemsak presiding.

Members present (36): F. G. Andrews, C. Armin, P. H. Arnaud, Jr., J. Anduiza, F. L. Blanc, R. G. Blair, T. Briggs, R. M. Brown, D. Burdick, K. S. Corwin, D. Denning, J. Denk, J. G. Edwards, F. Ennik, M. R. Gardner, J. Guggole, R. Hall, L. S. Hawkins, T. E. Hewton, A. I. Kaplan, C. Kitayama, R. L. Langston, H. B. Leech, R. W. Pemberton, C. L. Radus, F. C. Roberts, E. S. Ross, W. Savary, M. V. Silveira, R. Stecker, T. J. Toren, R. L. Tassan, R. W. Thorp, P. Welles, G. L. Willis, D. W. Whitman.

Visitors present (12): S. Anduiza, T. Andrews, J. R. Batch, F. Blanc, A. Bush, R. Greek, R. Morrison, P. Neuenschwander, P. Peterson, T. Slay, J. Thorp, P. Willey.

The minutes of the meeting held 23 March were summarized.

The following note was presented:

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**Insects and a mite associated with stored *Cannabis sativa* Linnaeus.**— On January 23, 1970 I visited the Hall of Justice in San Francisco, California, at the request of Mr. Terry L. Coddington and Mr. John F. Willims to inspect an insect problem associated with confiscated stocks of *Cannabis sativa* Linnaeus. In offices adjoining room vaults in which these stocks were kept, the personnel were pestered by insects in their offices.

One problem area was a trunk, thought to be from the midwestern United States, in which a plastic liner kept the plant materials moist. From this source a series of 145 specimens of *Desmometopa* sp. (Diptera: Milichiidae, det. C. W. Sabrosky), 11 *Scatopse fuscipes* Meigen (Diptera: Scatopsidae, det. Alan Stone), 20 *Bradysia* sp. (Diptera: Sciaridae, det. R. J. Gagne), and 1 *Drosophila busckii* Coquillett (Diptera: Drosophilidae, det. W. W. Wirth) were collected. These flies are primarily scavengers.

On and in packages of the marijuana, 6 adults, 1 larva, and 1 pupal skin of *Plodia interpunctella* (Hubner) (Lepidoptera: Pyralidae, det. D. M. Weisman), and specimens of six species of Coleoptera (det. F. G. Andrews)—*Ahasverus advena* (Waltl), the foreign grain beetle, *Cryptolestes ferrugineus* (Stephens), the rusty grain beetle, *Cryptolestes pusillus* (Schonherr), the flat grain beetle, and *Oryzaephilus surinamensis* (Linnaeus), the sawtoothed grain beetle of the family Cucujidae, *Microgramme arga* (Reitter) of the family Lathridiidae, and *Typhaea stercorea* (Linnaeus), the hairy fungus beetle of the family Mycetophagidae were collected. This group is associated with many types of stored products.

A mite *Macrocheles muscadomesticae* (Scopoli) (family Macrochelidae, det. R. L. Smiley) was also collected. I would like to acknowledge my thanks to the specialists noted above for the identification of the species mentioned.--Paul H. Arnaud, Jr.

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