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Insect Rearing Group

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#### INSECT REARING FORMAL CONFERENCE

ESA Annual Meeting, Hollywood, Florida, December 8 - 12, 1985.

MODERATOR W. G. SCHULTZ

## I. INVITED PAPERS

Tuesday December 10 1:30 p.m.

Insect Rearing: Developments and Needs for Plant Protection. J.R.Brazzel

Construction of Florida's First Fruit Fly Rearing Facility. R.E.Brown and R.Nguyen

The Effect of Sorbic Acid and other Antimicrobial Chemicals on Insect Survival. F.V.Dunkel and N.R.Read

Artificial Rearing of Endoparasites. P.D. Greany

A Food Processing View on Biocontrol of Insects and Weeds. R.C.Henne

An International Perspective on Insect Rearing. D.A.Lindquist

The Introduction and Propagation of an Exotic Parasitoid in Jordan. D.E.Meyerdirk and R.F.Harwood

Raising a Scolytid Beetle in a Test Tube, not in a Tree. D.M.Norris

Rearing Gypsy Moths: A Comparison Between Mass Rearing and Research Quantity Production. T.M.Odell and J.A. Tanner

Avoiding Diseased Conditions in Insect Rearing. C.F.Reichelderfer

Rearing <u>Niesthrea louisianica</u> (Hemiptera, Rhopalidae) to Augment Native Insects in Velvetleaf Control. N.R.Spencer

Antibiotics and Insects: Chemistry and Pathology. A.C. Thompson and P.P.Sikorowski

Mass production of the Solanaceous Fruit Fly, <u>Dacus</u> <u>latifrons</u>, in Hawaii. R.I. Vargas S. Mitchell and R.Y. Miyabara

#### II. BUSINESS MEETING

5:05 p.m. - Insect Rearing Group.

#### III. SUBMITTED PAPERS

Begin at 7:00 p.m.

## NEW INSECT REARING HANDBOOK AVAILABLE

# HANDBOOK OF INSECT REARING: VOLUMES I AND II

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Progress in entomological research and the success of pest management programs depend on the successful rearing of insects in the laboratory. Most laboratories devise their own rearing procedures, and information on these procedures may not be readily available to other workers. On the other hand, there are also many published procedures for rearing a species and it is difficult for a worker to distinguish which is the best for his particular application. Not only does this situation give rise to duplication of effort, but more importantly, results cannot be compared from one laboratory to another because of the differences in rearing procedures used.

This new two-volume publication now

provides a practical guide for those who wish to rear insects for the first time, whether they be specialists or non-specialists. It is a "do-ityourself" book, written in a style that is simple and logical to follow. The text first lists the equipment and materials required, then gives specific step-by-step rearing instructions, including precautions. Volume I covers fundamental information related to selected areas of insect rearing. plus species-specific rearing procedures for the orders Coleoptera, Dictyoptera, Hemiptera, Hymenoptera, Neuroptera and Orthoptera. Volume II deals with the rearing of Diptera and Lepidoptera.

Until now, there has been no standard work available on this subject.

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## NEW QUARANTINE FACILITY IN NEW JERSEY

ROBERT CHIANESE
New Jersey Department of Agriculture

In late winter of 1985 the New Jersey Department of Agriculture took occupancy of a new insect rearing laboratory thereby consolidating the NJDA workforce which, at the time, was divided between two facilities. The new 21,000 square foot Biological Pest Control Laboratory occupies five acres in Ewing Township. It is designed for the mass production and study of insect parasites and predators.

The laboratory's 11,000 square foot center section features environmental chambers that simulate any season or time of day, and specially designed sodium lighting to resemble natural light. Controls can hold humidity at 50 percent for optimum rearing

conditions. Diet preparation rooms are equipped to mix large batches of nutrients and vitamins on which beneficial insects thrive. Once reared, insects are observed in walk-in chambers, their behavior and adaptability scrutinized by entomologists and biologists.

A spacious greenhouse is stocked with some of New Jersey's most important crops, cultivated for an onslaught of laboratory-induced infestations to test the parasites' ability to significantly reduced pest damage. With their effectiveness documented, they are then released into test fields and monitored for their rate of pest control.

The department's current biological control programs include:

**PEST** 

Gypsy Moth

Mexican Bean Beetle

Colorado Potato Beetle

European Red Mite

Alfalfa Weevil European Corn Borer Musk Thistle PARASITES OR PREDATOR

<u>Cassinaria arjuna</u> <u>Coccygomimus disparis</u> <u>Cotesia melanoscelus</u> <u>Cotesia schaeferi</u>

Oplomus dichrous Pediobius foveolatus

Edovum puttleri

Stethorus punctum

Survey for parasites Survey for parasites Survey for predators\*

New Jersey Department of Agriculture supports IPM and is committed to a strong, vital Garden State farm industry. The Department is involved with cooperative programs both with the USDA and Cook College, the agricultural and environmental sciences departments of Rutgers University.

<sup>\*</sup> A new predator, imported from Italy, <u>Ceuthorhynchidius</u> <u>horridus</u>, received from the Virginia Department of Agriculture was released in New Jersey for the first time this June.

# REQUESTS, COMMENTS AND FRASS

Where do you get those gelling agents N. C. Leppla told you about in the last issue of FRASS (Vol. 8 No. 1 1985)?

## **GELCARIN CP812**

FMC Corporation
Marine Colloids Division
2000 Market St.
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Call Ruth Ann Fox (800) 526-3649

\$7.51/lb - 50-200 lbs \$6.26/lb - 200 lbs \$5.51/lb - 1000 lbs (50 lb minimum)

#### GUAR GUM

Aldrich Chemical Co. Box 355 Milwaukee, WI 53201 (414) 273-3850 \$6.00/ 500g Item #28,599-4

Stein-Hall Specialty Chemicals 605 Third Ave. New York, NY 10016

## KELTROL/KELZAN (Sodium Alginate)

Kelco Division of Merck & Co. 75 Terminal Ave. Clark, NJ 07066 (201) 381-6900 \$6.60/lb - Keltrol (food grade) \$5.00/lb - Kelzan (industrial grade)

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Hercules Inc. Hercules Plaza Wilmington, DE 19894 Call Ruth Austin (302) 594-6497

Name has been changed to Hercules FL 50-40. It is in very short supply \$6.00/1b 55.12 lb bags.

Henkel Corporation Call Betty (800) 241-3225 \$0.63/1b - 50 1b bag

# SUPER SLURPER (Starch Graft Polymer)

Industrial Services Inc. Bradenton, FL (813) 792-7778 "Terrasorb"

Grain Processing Co. 1600 Oregon St. Muscatine, IA Call Peter Byron (319) 264-4252 "Waterlock" \$6.83 - 7.85/kg

Super Absorbent Co. Rt. 3 Box 342 Lumberton, NC 28358 (919) 739-3839

\$153.50/50 lb drum

### REQUEST

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Dr. Ivan Huber is in need of about 1,000 adult <u>Periplaneta americana</u>. If you can supply or know of potential sources, please contact Dr. Huber at Fairleigh Dickinson University, Madison, NJ 07940 (201) 377-4700.

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#### ARTHROPOD SPECIES IN CULTURE

Lists of cultures are still coming in for the second edition of "Arthropod Species in Culture". Hopefully, the compilation will be complete by mid October, and submitted to the Entomological Society of America for publishing. The register will then be available from ESA for the cost of publishing.

#### WORDS OF EXPERIENCE

There is always enough time to do it over, but never enough time to do it right the first time.

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