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JANUARY, 1969

The next Beekeeper's meeting will be held Jan. 5 at 2:30 p.m. at the Interstate federal Savings and Loan Building, Bonner Springs, Kansas. The program for this meeting is planned for the beginner in beekeeping. If you know of anyone who is interested in starting beekeeping or has already started but is having little success, be sure to bring them along. This will be an excellent opportunity for beginners to learn, and oldtimers to give out with their helps. Ladies please bring cookies.

The last bee meeting was held at the fire station at 11th and Central. This was our Christmas meeting and dinner. This was a nice meeting place with lots of room. The Hilltop school of dancing had a nice program. Miss Cathy Chiles, our State Honey Queen, played the piano. The two Melton girls sang some songs. Mrs. Kilgares' grandson played the accodian. We wish more members had been present to enjoy themselves.

We don't know whether or not Mrs. Nixon will take over Lady Bird's Beautification Program. Let's not wait around! Let's plant some flowers anyway.

The next honey plants meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Saxby, 7742 Riverview, Kansas City, Kansas, Saturday, January 11, at 7:30 p.m. Ladies please bring cakes.

The last honey plants meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kilgare. Many honey plants were discussed. Mr. Hilderbrand had some flowers, which were blooming at his home. The freezes hadn't hurt them. The plant was Veronica. It is a perennial, and a good nectar plant. The bees worked it in November when the weather was warm enough.

Treasurer's Report

May 1, 1968 to Jan. 1, 1969

Expense for May, 1968		Balance May 1, 1968	239.77
Leahy wax working	33.00	Henry Brame Wax Foundation	6.00
Stamps	3.84	James McNeely wax	6.00
10% tithe Salvation Army	<u>11.90</u>	Louis Hollenbeck wax	6.00
Expense for May, 1968	48.74	Hulgren wax	5.75
		Saxby wax	6.00
Expense for June		Madole wax	6.85
Stamps, June buzzers	4.56	Membership dues	19.75
Hultgren Letter & paper	17.50	Fenton wax	<u>30.00</u>
Bank service charge	<u>.60</u>		326.12
Expense for June	22.66	May expense	<u>48.74</u>
		Balance June 1, 1968	277.38
Expense for July, 1968		Walter Wiley wax	5.75
Bank Service charge	<u>.52</u>	Membership dues	<u>19.50</u>
			292.63
Expense for August		June expense	<u>22.66</u>
Stamps-July, Aug. buzzers,		Balance July 1, 1968	269.97
paper	11.49	Wax Madole	10.00
Saxby watermelon	10.38	Dues	21.00
Kansas City Kansas	10.92	Want ad. Shumaker	<u>.50</u>
Fair Booth	20.00		301.47
Bonds	<u>56.25</u>	July expense	<u>.52</u>
Expense for Aug.	109.04	Balance Aug. 1, 1968	300.95
		Bake sale Wy. Plaza	1.00
Expense for Sept.		Membership dues	<u>6.75</u>
Fair Prize Queberg	2.00		308.70
Fair Prize Wilson	12.50	August expense	<u>109.04</u>
fair Prize Fenton	1.50	Balance Sept. 1, 1968	199.66
Fair Prize Hollenbeck	5.00	Wy. Cty. Fair 7% cookbooks,	
Stamps Sept. Buzzer	4.62	wax	51.61
Thelma Saxby	15.07	American Bee Journal VanMeter	<u>5.00</u>
Brown flowers	15.97		256.27
Eds Trophies	17.00	Sept. expense	<u>79.34</u>
American Bee Journal		Balance Oct. 1, 1968	176.93
Van Meter	5.00	Membership dues	<u>6.00</u>
Bank Service Ch.	<u>.68</u>		182.93
Expense for Sept.	79.34	Oct. expense	<u>28.31</u>
		Balance Nov. 1, 1968	154.62
Expense for Oct.		Membership dues	<u>4.00</u>
Davis stencils, paper	22.97		158.62
Stamps, Oct. Buzzers	4.68	Nov. expense	<u>4.14</u>
Bank service charge	<u>.66</u>	Balance Dec. 1, 1968	154.48
Expense for Oct., 1968	28.31	Dec. expense	<u>58.35</u>
		Balance Jan. 1, 1969	96.13
Expense for Nov., 1968			
Stamps, Nov. Buzzers	<u>4.14</u>		
Expense for Dec., 1968			
Stamps Dec. Buzzers	4.56		
Thelma Saxby	10.61		
T.F.C. Ladies Cookbook ad.	15.00		
Building Christmas Mtg.	15.00		
Edna Hollenbeck - Ham	<u>13.18</u>		
Expense for Dec.	58.35		

Elton L. Fenton, Treasurer

It's the time of year again for the seed and nursery catalogs to be coming. Flowering shrubs and trees which produce the most nectar should be selected by beekeepers. Did you ever think how big a patch of flowers there would be if all the flowers on a big tree were spread upon the ground? The honey plants meetings are a good place to ask about nectar and pollen producing plants and trees.

Have you noticed the buck brush? They are as full as can be with red berries. The bees worked the blossoms very well, which might account for this crop of berries.

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NOTICE: Will the members please check your membership cards to be sure they read May 1, 1969. Sometime a fellow overlooks these things. We don't want to lose anyone. The Buzzer will be discontinued to unpaid members.

Thank you, Treasurer.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

Let's look at the old year. What happened? Most colonies were in good condition last spring. By the time the clover started to bloom the bees were ready to fill the supers. Then the rain and chilly weather started and the bees prepared to swarm. The big swarms that came out sure emptied the hives, which never recovered enough to produce any surplus. The hives that never swarmed gathered a fair crop of honey.

The autumn was good to us with lots of golden rod and aster blooming and the weather just right for the bees to fill their hives for winter. Now I believe some bees are more likely to swarm than others. It might help to take some brood and young bees from these hives that are bad about swarming and place them above the parent colony with a double screen between. Put a new queen with them, leave an entrance for the upper part. The old bees will go out and go back to the old colony on the bottom. The new queen is more likely to be accepted by the young bees. Feed them and when they have built to strength, remove the old part to a new location. The new part that is left will have all the work force and the new queen, and will not be so apt to swarm. These new queens should be started in April. This would use some of the extra hive bodies you have in the garage. Empty hives never bring in any profit. Louis Hollenbeck uses this double screen method and the new queen to prevent swarming.

Want Ad:

BEE SUPPLIES

Standard Beekeeping Supplies including Leahy Manufacturing Co. McCord Grips, and Mothine. Roy F. Ferguson, 4126 Francis St., Kansas City, Kansas. RA 2-5910.

For a delicious New Year dessert, try the following:
 Mix equal amounts of cottage cheese and chopped apples.
 (For example, 1 cup of cottage cheese and
 one cup of chopped apples)
 Sweeten with honey to taste.

From our President

Our treasurer, Elton Fenton, has a request for the payment of the Northeastern Association dues. The Kansas State Association dues are also payable for the year 1968-1969. While paying the Northeastern dues, why not send in state dues also. The state dues are \$2.00 per year, but if you are a paid up member of a local organization, such as the Northeastern Association, then the state dues are only \$1.50. Please send the state dues to Keith Engle, Sec.-Treas., Kansas State Beekeepers' Association, Rt. #3, Abilene, Kansas 66022.

Carl D. Hultgren

HAVE A HONEY OF A YEAR!!!!!!! (From the editor)

MEMBERSHIP & ADVERTISING

All memberships received before November expire April 30, next. Those paying after Nov. 1, not previously a member, expires second April 30th thereafter. DUES - \$2.00 yearly, May 1 to May 1 & additional family members \$.75. \$2.00 members only, receives THE BEE BUZZER for duration of membership period.

ADS - \$.50 per vertical inch, or fraction. Limit 5 vertical inches. No charge to members on (Beekeeping Items).

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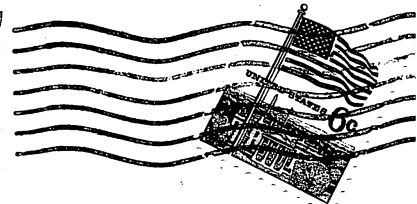
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