

NEWS AND VIEWS

DOMINION DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO MAKE DISTRIBUTION OF RUST
RESISTANT WHEAT SEED.

After several years of exacting research work the Cereal Division, Experimental Farms Branch, Dominion Department of Agriculture, announces that it is now ready to make its first large-scale distribution of a rust resistant wheat variety to farmers in the rust-affected areas of the Prairie Provinces.

Dr. L. H. Newman, Dominion Cerealist, states that "the new variety, which has been named *Renown*, was developed under Dr. Goulden of the Cereal Division staff at the Dominion Rust Research Laboratory located at Winnipeg. The distribution will be made from the following points: Indian Head, Brandon, Portage la Prairie, Arborg, Dugald, Gilbert Plains, Gunton, Katrime, Petersfield, Plumas, Roblin, Silverton, Swan River and Pipestone, as long as the supply lasts." The amount available to any one applicant will be two bushels. *Renown* is not recommended at present for districts which are not subject to rust.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ENTOMOLOGIST SOCIETY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

The annual meeting of the above Society was held on February 27th, 1937, at Vancouver, B.C. The following papers were presented:

1. Ectoparasites of Mammals and Birds in British Columbia: A Preliminary List of *Hippoboscidae* G. J. Spencer
2. *Eriosoma crataegi* Oestlund and *Eriosoma lanigera* (Hausmann) A. D. Heriot.
3. The Control of Thrips on Begonias H. Andison.
4. Notes on a Weevil Attacking Wallflowers W. Downes.
5. The Importance of Phenological Notations During Insect Ecological Studies J. D. Gregson.
6. On the Function of the Pseudosternite in Male Locustid Genitalia G. J. Spencer.
7. Foreword Upon Dragonflies F. C. Whitehouse
8. Some Locality Records of British Columbia Dragonflies E. R. Buckell.
9. Sun Spots and Insect Development H. A. Richmond.
10. The Present Status of the Pea Moth in the Lower Fraser Valley R. Glendenning.
11. Food Plants of Lepidopterous Larvae—List 5 J. R. J. Llewellyn-Jones
12. Experiments on Control of the Hairy Spider Beetle W. Downes & H. Andison.
13. Plant Inspection With Special Reference to Dock Routine " de Macedo.
14. Further Notes on the Woolly Aphis Parasite, *Aphelinus mali* Hald. E. P. Venables.
15. Notes on Some Phenomenal Feedings of Ticks J. D. Gregson.
16. The Fleas of British Columbia.
 - (a) Four New Species.
 - (b) A Further Note on Fleas in Fuel Sawdust in Vancouver Residences. G. J. Spencer.
17. Mass Collecting of *Labia minor* (Linn.), the Small Earwig J. K. Jacob.

The following officers were elected for the year 1937:

Honourary President, L. E. Marmont; President, E. R. Buckell; Vice Pres. (Coast), G. J. Spencer; Vice Pres., (Interior), E. P. Venables; Secretary-Treasurer, G. R. Hopping; Auditor, J. W. Eastham; Advisory Board, W. Downes, J. W. Eastham, Geo. H. Larnder, J. R. J. Llewellyn-Jones, H. F. Olds.

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