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## PROFESSOR LAWSON CAESAR RETIRES

The Seventy-seventh Annual Meeting of the Entomological Society of Ontario, held at Guelph on November 7 and 8 last, was featured by a complimentary dinner tendered to Professor Lawson Caesar who recently had retired from active professional work in entomology.



PROFESSOR LAWSON CAESAR

The dinner was held in the cafeteria of the Ontario Agricultural College on the evening of November 7. Many entomologists and biologists were present from Canada and the United States, as were also many farmers, government officials, and members of the College faculty. All had gathered to do honour to Professor Caesar, to testify to their appreciation of his work and to the esteem in which he is held as a friend and colleague.

Dr. G. E. Maheux, President of the Entomological Society of Ontario and Provincial Entomologist of Quebec, presided. Dr. Maheux brought his personal greetings and also those of the Premier and former Minister of Agriculture for Quebec, Mr. Godbout. Those seated at the head table and speaking

for the various governments, institutions, and entomological groups which they represented were: W. R. Reek, Deputy Minister of Agriculture for Ontario; Dr. G. I. Christie, President of the Ontario Agricultural College; Dr. Arthur Gibson, Dominion Entomologist, Ottawa; Dr. W. C. O'Kane, State Entomologist for New Hampshire; Dr. E. M. Walker, Head of the Department of Biology, University of Toronto; Dr. T. S. Houser, State Entomologist for Ohio; L. S. McLaine, Chief of the Plant Protection Service, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa; Professor J. E. Howitt, Head of the Department of Botany, Ontario Agricultural College; C. E. Petch, Dominion Entomological Laboratory, Hemmingford, Quebec, who spoke for Professor Caesar's former students; and Professor A. W. Baker, Head of the Department of Entomology, Ontario Agricultural College, who spoke for Professor Caesar's former colleagues of this department. These speakers brought greetings and tributes from Dominion and Provincial, Federal and State Departments of Agriculture, from various educational institutions and from American and Canadian entomologists and biologists. Each speaker paid tribute to Professor Caesar not only for his professional work but also for his many fine attributes as a man and a citizen. Many telegrams and letters of appreciation were received from entomologists throughout Canada and the United States and other countries. A selected few of these were read to the gathering.

In replying Professor Caesar referred to the fact that he had begun his professional work as a teacher of classics but had felt that he would find a more interesting and useful life in the field of science. He admitted that he still retained a great fondness for the classics and hoped now to have the opportunity to again read Virgil. He referred to the happiness which he had found in his work with students, farmers, and fruit growers and the satisfaction which resulted from the ready co-operation and many kindnesses which all had shown him.

Professor Caesar's friends will be glad to know that he is happy and in good health and all hope that he may long continue to be so. That he is keeping up his active interest in entomology is best shown by the fact that since his retirement he has completed a bulletin on household insects for the Ontario Department of Agriculture. We feel sure that this interest will continue.

Professor Caesar is continuing to reside in Guelph at 26 Elora Street where he will be delighted to hear from his old friends.

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#### A NEW ALBERTAN OLETHREUTID\*

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Recently I received for identification a series of an *Olethreutes* species from Mr. K. Bowman of Edmonton, Alta., which I was inclined to place as small *nordeggana* McD. Mr. Bowman, however, called my attention to the fact that whereas at Nordegg, with a greater altitude than Edmonton, *nordeggana* is taken about the middle of July; the present species does not occur around Edmonton until early August. Further study of more male genitalia of both forms revealed a small but apparently constant difference in the size of what Heinrich calls the "second spine cluster" at the neck of the sacculus. In view of these facts I believe there is justification for description and I take pleasure

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