

for their elucidation just as much as agronomic or horticultural problems.

In a very large proportion of cases, the main limiting factors to profitable production are insects and fungus diseases in the case of plants, just as parasites and diseases are among the vital problems of animal production. This is well recognized by the people concerned, i.e., the farmers, fruit growers and stock men.

When approaching the undersigned with a view to coming to Macdonald College, the former principal made a strong point of the need and opportunities for "field work" at this institution, but there is not and never has been any possibility of doing any real "field work" in entomology at Macdonald College. Entomology, therefore, remains perforce an "inside" department. Since, however, our outside activities have been stillborn, there can be no question of curtailing them.

9. BASIS OF APPROPRIATION-

Since the inception of Macdonald College there has been a notable shift in emphasis with respect to teaching and research work in agriculture. While, however, these have been minor adjustments in departmental appropriations, there has been no fundamental revision of the basis upon which funds are allocated, with the result that the present traditional practice is out of line with present realities. May I respectfully suggest that the time is opportune for a re-examination of this whole question? Compelled by grim necessity to make drastic curtailments, might it not be well to consider whether the present structure might not be modernized and improved? In this