

PROGRAM OF THE O.B.K.A. CONVENTION

Wednesday Afternoon, Nov. 13th
2 p.m.

MINUTES—P. W. Hodgetts, Toronto, Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS—Denis Nolan, Newton Robinson, Ont.

REPLY—J. L. Byer, Mount Joy, Ont., 1st Vice-President.

DISCUSSION—Opened by Miss Ethel Robinson, Ilderton, Ont., 2nd Vice-President.

IMPROVED METHODS OF SELLING HONEY—E. B. Tyrrell, Detroit, Mich., Secretary National Bee-keepers' Association.

QUESTION DRAWER—F. W. Krouse, Guelph, Ont.

Wednesday Evening
8 p.m.

Joint Sessions of all Associations in University Convocation Hall.

Thursday Morning, Nov. 14th
9.30 a.m.

THE FOUL BROOD SITUATION IN ONTARIO—Morley Pettit, Provincial Apiarist, Guelph, Ont.

MANAGEMENT OF OUT-APIARIES—

- (a) With complete outfit at each yard, using automobile or horse for transportation—H. G. Sibbald, Toronto, Ont.
- (b) Management at long range—J. L. Byer, Mount Joy, Ont.
- (c) Moving outfit on motor truck—Enos Farr, Low Banks, Ont.
- (d) From one centre, with stationary machinery and motor truck to haul supers home—Discussion, general.

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2 p.m.

PREPARING BEES FOR WINTER—J. E. Dunn, Ridgeway, Ont.

WINTER AND SPRING MANAGEMENT—R. E. L. Harkness, Irena, Ont.

QUESTION DRAWER—John Newton, Thamesford, Ont.

ADDRESS—Hon. J. S. Duff, Minister of Agriculture, Toronto.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

REPORTS—Directors, Treasurer, Honey Crop Committee, Representatives to Exhibitions.

Thursday Evening
8 p.m.

BEES, POULTRY AND FRUIT—J. W. Clark, Cainsville, Ont.

DISCUSSION—By R. G. Houghton, Bond Head, Ont.

THE DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE AND HOW HE CAN HELP THE BEE-KEEPER—A. D. McIntosh, B.S.A., Stirling, Ont.

Friday Morning
9.30 a.m.

PROBLEMS CONFRONTING THE NATIONAL—E. B. Tyrrell.

BEE BREEDING—F. W. L. Sladen, Assistant in Apiculture, Experimental Farm, Ottawa, Canada.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

PROLIFIC QUEENS AND SWARMING

BY H. HARLEY SELWYN.

Eleven swarms on the 25th of August and more or less every day previous during the same month. A strange report to make, but nevertheless true, and what is the cause of it? Queens too good, hives too small, season rear end foremost, or what? Has any one else experienced the same trouble? I should think it would go hard with the man who has large out-yards. So far as I am concerned, I am willing to wager there wouldn't be an old queen in the place now if I hadn't been on the spot every minute of the day and kept shovelling—absolutely shovelling!—back bees by the bushel. I just wish I had had a camera to snap a few of the brown bears that some days confronted me on arriving at the yard after a hurried lunch! It often made me think that the men who claim the queens of nowadays excel those of former years are not far wrong. Why, eight frames (Langstroth) are apparently simply nothing for a queen to fill, and in quick order, too, and not only eight, but twelve and more, for half the brood in the original hive went above the queen-excluder when clover bloom started.

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