MACDONALD COLLEGE McGILL UNIVERSITY RAILWAY STATIONS AND EXPRESS: POST OFFICE: MACDONALD COLLEGE, QUE., CANADA STE. ANNE DE BELLEVUE, QUE. FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT OF ENTOMOLOGY - 2 f. All technical workers require the closest possible contact with the industry with which they are supposed to deal and with the individuals that they are supposed to assist. The almost complete denial of such contacts in the case of certain major departments of work is fatal to the development of such work and in the highest degree discouraging to the workers concerned. g. If teaching is the primary function of a university, it might be inferred that appropriations should bear at least some relation to this function, but the percentage cut recently effected was greatest on certain departments that are bearing the heaviest burden of teaching and training the greatest number of students. Every dollar of such reduction strikes directly at the teaching efficiency of such departments, since their appropriation has always been on a purely teaching basis with no special provision for research. h. While it is not necessary to equalize appropriations of all departments in order to do justice to all of them, the difference between the relatively liberal allowance for some departments and the entire absence of such provision for others seems neither sound nor equitable. i. A certain amount of research is basic to the fundamental needs of teaching. II. Specific a. Wide recognition of the importance of entomological work is indicated by the rapid development of this field all over the world and particularly by the growth in Canada of the Entomological Branch and of the provincial entomological services. It is further indicated by the fact that the number of entomologists in the British Empire greatly exceed all other workers in technical agriculture. b. No corresponding development has taken place at Macdonald College. c. The training and experience of the undersigned has been largely in the solution of field problems from which he is entirely cut off at Macdonald College. d. In coming to Macdonald College the main inducement was that it was desired to "conduct a vigourous campaign of work from the field end" for which funds would be provided. No such campaign has been initiated and no such financial support has been forthcoming.