

N. Y., 1940) are widely used. Many of his publications deal with insects injurious to trees, and all entomologists are familiar with his two-volume work entitled "Insects Affecting Park and Woodland Trees" (Mem. 8, N. Y. St. Museum, 1905-6), with its numerous excellent illustrations and colored plates. In 1924 the Macmillan Company brought out his "Manual of Tree and Shrub Insects." For many years he was interested in the dispersal of insects by air currents and published several papers on this subject. Although never wavering from his interest in entomology, during his last years he published extensively on the care of trees, as witnessed by his books on "Pruning Trees and Shrubs," "Our Shade Trees" and "Shelter Trees in War and Peace," all brought out by the Orange Judd Company as part of their Farm and Garden Library.

In addition to his life-long interest in gall insects and in shade tree insects, Dr. Felt was concerned with the major insect pests of the eastern United States, and always participated in conferences dealing with their control. In addition he was a frequent speaker at entomological gatherings and before groups interested in the care of trees. His entomological interests were varied and his writings, both scientific and popular, were always thoughtful and sound. During his busy and complete life he contributed extensively to the advancement of entomology in this country. Always affable and willing to share his information, Dr. Felt was liked and admired by every one and the familiar figure of this slender, scholarly gentleman will be missed at many future entomological gatherings. The paths of many scientific workers are made easier by the industry of a few, and Dr. Felt was one

of the few. Dr. Felt was married in 1896 to Helen Maria Otterson, who died in 1939. He is survived by a son and three daughters.

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RECENT DEATHS

DR. THOMAS SCOTT FISKE, emeritus professor of mathematics at Columbia University and for thirty-five years secretary of the College Entrance Examination Board, from which he retired in 1936, died on January 10. He was seventy-eight years old.

RAY T. STULL, chief of the heavy clay section of the National Bureau of Standards, died on January 5 at the age of sixty-eight years.

DR. JOHN CARL BELTZ, research chemist of the U. S. Bureau of Mines, Washington, D. C., died on January 10 at the age of forty-seven years.

DR. BENJAMIN WESLEY KILGORE, state chemist of North Carolina, died on January 3 in his seventy-seventh year. He was formerly director of the North Carolina Agricultural Experiment Station and of the Extension Service and dean of the College of Agriculture of the North Carolina State College.

DR. JOHN S. FONDA, assistant director of sales of the Grasselli chemicals department of E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, died on December 22. He was forty-six years old.

DR. WILLIAM P. FRASER, emeritus professor of biology of the University of Saskatchewan, formerly chief of the Dominion Laboratory of Plant Pathology at Saskatoon, died on November 23 at the age of seventy-six years.

SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

SURVEY OF THE AMERICAN FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

AN appraisal has been initiated by the American Forestry Association of the effect of the war on the forest resources of the country so that post-war reconstruction and problems of forest management and land economy may be dealt with on a factual basis. The survey has the support and cooperation of state and federal forestry agencies and the forest industries. It will be completed, it is estimated, in from two to three years. John B. Woods, of Portland, Oregon, an authority on timber valuation, formerly forester for the Lumber Code Authority under the National Industrial Recovery Act, will direct the survey. He will be at the head of a staff of well-known specialists in forest appraisal and will be assisted by an advisory council of five members prominent in state and federal forestry, forest industry and in agriculture.

Members of this council are: William G. Howard, of Albany, New York, director of Lands and Forests, New York State Conservation Department; James W. Girard, of Washington, D. C., Division of Forest Economics, U. S. Forest Service; William B. Greeley, of Seattle, Wash., a former chief forester of the United States, now secretary-manager of the West Coast Lumbermen's Association; S. T. Dana, dean of the School of Forestry and Conservation of the University of Michigan and editor of the *Journal of Forestry*; and E. O. Siecke, Wisner, Nebr., farmer and veteran forestry leader in Texas and the South.

The main objective of the appraisal is to provide information for the handling of local, state and national postwar forest and land-use problems. According to Ovid Butler, executive secretary of the association, a forest appraisal consultant will be appointed in each of the principal forest regions of the country. With a state as a study unit, they will inventory forest