## American Pomological Society Summer Meeting

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The second consecutive open, summer, Executive meeting of the American Pomological Society took place on Aug. 20, 1969, on the campus of Washington State University, in conjunction with the annual meeting of the American Society of Horticultural Science. Attending the meeting were President Bradt, Secretary Editor Kessler and some ten additional members. Business transacted and announcements made were as follows:

- 1. An Editorial Committee appointed by the president was approved by the members. This Committee consists of R. F. Carlson (Mich. State Univ.), chairman, Roger Way (N. Y. Agr. Exp. Station), and J. N. Moore (Univ. of Arkansas).
- 2. The editorship of the book on apple varieties being published by A.P.S. has changed hands. Due to illness, Bill Luce has given it up, and Harry Upshall (a past-president of the Society), of Vineland, Ontario, Canada, has taken over the editor's job. He has been authorized to bill the Society for any secretarial and mailing expenses involved.
- 3. Good progress is being made with the other book being published by A.P.S., History of Pomology in North America, 1866 to 1966, according to its editor, D. V. Fisher. However, the publication is being delayed due to the fact that reports from a few states have not as yet been received.
- 4. Secretary Tukey presented a financial statement for the period of Jan. 1 to July 31, 1969. It may be summarized as follows:

Balance Jan. 1, 1969	\$4066.81
Income	2749.85
Membership	\$1635.00

Fr. Var. Hort. Dig. Trade Jour. subsc. Dividends, stock Other	698.00 100.00 241.80 75.05
Expenses	2550,23
Administrative	568.04
Trade jour. subsc.	288.00
Fr. Var. Hort. Dig.	1095.68
Honorarium	300.00
Wilder medals	219.80
Other	61.91
Debit checks	16.80
Balance July 31, 1969	4266.43

5. The 1970 annual meeting will take place in Ontario, Canada; and the 1971 meeting will be in Grand Junction, Colorado.

## South African Canned Fruit Increasing

Increasing quantities of canned fruits from South Africa are being consumed in Europe, especially in West Germany and Belgium. canned deciduous fruits include pears, apricots, cherries and peaches, the latter dominating. The bulk of the deciduous fruits are grown in Cape Province, where the winters are temperate and rainy (25-35 inches of rain annually), and summers are warm and dry, and irrigation is essential.

The peach canning industry is based on the 'Kakamas' variety, which has a rich golden color when canned. The peach canning season is being lengthened with new Kakamas-related varieties.

'Bartlett' (Williams Bon Chretien) is the main canning pear. 'Royal' and 'Bulida' are the major apricot processing varieties.