



SEMINAR NEWS

There will be no Tuesday seminar next week, but please check the bulletin boards for any last minute arrangement.

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

Expected this week:

DR. ANNETTE AIELLO, Harvard University, Cambridge Mass., to continue work on Lepidoptera life histories. She will be in Panama until September, 1981 and will be working at BCI.

DR. CAROL AUGSPURGER, University of Illinois, to continue study of factors influencing seed-distribution of wind-dispersed trees. Dr. Augspurger will also be staying at BCI until August 18th.

DR. HENRY HOWE, University of Iowa, to continue studies of the ecology of a neotropical seed-dispersal system. Dr. Howe will be staying at BCI until September 21.

DR. VICTORIA SORK, University of Missouri, to do research on mammalian seed dispersal and seedling recruitment in *Gustavia superba*, a tropical moist forest species. Dr. Sork will be at BCI until mid August.

Staff Travel:

DR. ROBERT SILBERGLIED is returning to Panama for the second half of the year.

Leaving, DR. OLGA LINARES AND DR. MARTIN MOYNIHAN. Dr. Linares will be going to Senegal, for about three months, to continue studies of the *Diola* of Casamance, and then to London and Boston for about three additional months of official business meeting with colleagues and using the facilities at Harvard University for her Anthropology studies. She is expected back at STRI about mid November.

Dr. Moynihan will also be traveling to Senegal to continue studies on the biology of the hornbill (*Coraciiformes*), then to Guam and Koror to carry out comparative studies of the social and signal behavior of cephalopods in the Southwest Pacific. Dr. Moynihan will be returning to STRI about mid July.

And finally, Mrs. Georgina de Alba, actual editor of this Newsletter, will be back from official business in Washington around May 22nd.

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Need an Assistant researcher??

Available during the U.S. summer vacation a very simpática University student with a Biology major as an assistant to a researcher. Please contact Mike Robinson for details.

News from Africa

An article in *The Guardian* recently highlighted a familiar problem. The rich west African country of Ivory Coast faces a deforestation problem. "In less than 25 years 12 million hectares of woodland have shrunk to less than 4 million, and cutting continues at a dizzying pace of about 500,000 hectares per year."

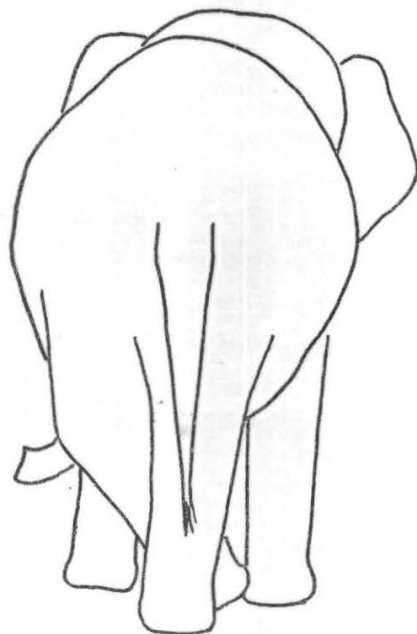
Arithmetically this means that all the forest will be gone in another 8 years but, of course, cutting will undoubtedly slow down as the remaining forest becomes less profitable to exploit.

What is happening is that loggers go in to cut the small number of really valuable hardwoods, and then the squatters move in to settle on the land, using the roads left by the loggers.

Can you think of anywhere else that this is happening?

Soon to be published:

"STRI Visitors' Brochure" will soon be ready for distribution here and abroad.



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