

## ASSOCIATION NEWS

### The National Adviser

At the annual meeting in Galveston last spring, Bob Vannote mentioned that the time was coming when he would have to relinquish his duties as National Adviser to AMCA but it was hoped that he could serve for one more year. However, a recent letter from Bob indicates that he felt unable to continue. His letter reads, in part, as follows; "Because of health reasons, I have resigned all assignments, committees, etc., with the American Mosquito Control Association. A letter from Art Geib indicates he has appointed Rowland Dorer of Norfolk, Virginia, to fill the vacancy as National Adviser and as the AMCA member of the National Mosquito Control-Fish and Wildlife Management Coordination Committee. No better man could be selected. I trust you will give Rolly a good start-off in your September issue. . . ."

We certainly do want to give Rolly a good start-off, and will try to do better by him in a future issue. We also want to give Bob a heartfelt good word for his years of devoted service to AMCA. Past President, editor, chairman and member of numerous committees, advertising manager, National Adviser—there has been no phase of AMCA activity that has not at one time or another been helped by the keen mind and dedicated energy of Bob Vannote. All of his friends will hope that with the pressure of the word "official" removed, he will be able to continue to place his store of knowledge at their disposal.

The duties of National Adviser are not clear-cut, like those of the President or secretary. They encompass the entire range of relationships between the Association and other organizations, implying either direct action at the direction of the Presi-



National adviser Bob Vannote with scroll of appreciation given him by the AMCA at annual meeting in Galveston, Texas, March 7, 1962. (Photograph by Jim Nelson, Editor of *Pest Control* magazine.)

dent and/or the Board of Directors, or advice to them on a course of action. Reports to the Directors during the past few years are a good indication of the scope of these activities, which have ranged from representing the Association on the National Mosquito Control-Fish and Wildlife Management Coordination Committee, to exploring with different foundations the possibility of obtaining grants for work sponsored by the Association. The Association has been fortunate in having had the services of two such outstanding members as Bob Vannote and Harry Stage as National Adviser,—and equally fortunate to be able to look forward to another, Rolly Dorer to continue their work.