

ASSOCIATION NEWS

ROBERT DOUGLASS GLASGOW 1879-1964

Dr. Robert Glasgow died in Albany, New York on July 15, 1964. This news will bring sadness to his many friends in AMCA with whom he had worked so long and diligently to build a strong and influential professional association and scientific journal.

Dr. Glasgow was born in Tennessee, Illinois on April 3, 1879. He received his academic and professional training and early experience at the University of Illinois, where he received his Ph.D. in Entomology in 1913. After several years as an entomologist for the Illinois Natural History Survey and Professor of Entomology at the University of Illinois, he came to New York as State Entomologist, succeeding Dr. E. P. Felt in that position, in 1928. He was Editor of *Mosquito News* until just before his retirement in 1949. On his retirement he became "Consulting Editor" and his friendly advice and wise counsel were always available to and much appreciated by the present editor and the officers of the Association.

As State Entomologist, Dr. Glasgow continued the traditional interests of that office in Medical Entomology, particularly mosquitoes and other biting flies. He was a consultant in establishing permanent mosquito control programs on Long Island, and laid the foundation of the blackfly control programs which were undertaken in northern New York and,

later throughout the world. He was a pioneer in developing new methods of insect control such as the use of thermal aerosol fogs, and explosive cartridges containing insecticides. His unusually wide and thorough knowledge of many fields other than entomology, including engineering, mechanics, chemistry and physics as well as biological sciences, made him widely sought as a consultant and adviser. After he retired, in 1949, Dr. Glasgow served as an adviser and agent for leading industrial concerns of the Philippine Islands. He helped to establish new industries, such as paint and pigments, after World War II. With Mrs. Glasgow, he spent several months in the Philippines as a technical consultant. His service in this capacity was a direct outgrowth of the friendly hospitality and guidance that he and Mrs. Glasgow had extended to Philippine students at the University of Illinois many years before. This reflected one of his outstanding characteristics—the ability to communicate with young people, who, to an unusual extent, responded with both respect and affection.

Dr. Glasgow was a member of the Entomological Society of America, the American Mosquito Control Association, the American Association for the Advancement of Science and of the Sigma Xi Society. He was a past president of the Albany Club of the Sigma Xi.