

ferred significantly from the pooled dry season data.

DISCUSSION. There is a seasonal pattern for human illness caused by dengue virus in Djakarta with most severe hospitalized cases ("dengue hemorrhagic fever") occurring during the rainy season (Kho et al., 1969). Interestingly, previous work by Detachment failed to reveal a pattern of seasonal abundance of *Aedes aegypti* since numbers collected using various methods remained relatively constant throughout the year.

The present study showing an apparent shift

of biting behavior towards the afternoon hours at the end of the rainy season in Djakarta may be of significance for transmission of dengue. One possible hypothesis is that uninterrupted feeding by mosquitoes may take place during the afternoon when many family members may take naps.

Reference

- Kho, L. K., Wulur, H., Karsono, A. and Thaib, S. 1969. Dengue hemorrhagic fever in Djakarta. J. Indonesian Med. Assoc. 19:417-437.

ASSOCIATION NEWS

Plans for the 29th annual meeting of AMCA to be held in Houston, Texas March 25-28, 1973, are proceeding nicely and a fine program is assured. There will be something in it for everyone interested in mosquitoes whether it is control, biology, ecology, taxonomy, genetics, medicine—or any other department of knowledge, both practical and scientific.

The theme of the meeting will be "Education." The exhibits will be open to the public in order to spread knowledge about mosquitoes and their control as widely as possible. Chris Vieser, for the local committee, is hoping that universities, research institutes, and similar agencies will take advantage of the offer to them of free space for educational exhibits. Any AMCA members who know of educational or research agencies which might be interested are urged to notify them, or give their names either to Chris Vieser or to the program chairman, Bob Altman.

Further announcements about the program, including the "call for papers" will be mailed about October 1, perhaps before this number of *Mosquito News* has reached you. Unless a change is announced in that mailing, the deadline for receiving titles of papers is November 15.

Among other features of the program will be a *Symposium on Recent Developments in Mosquito-Borne Diseases*, moderated by Harry D. Pratt. The panel and subjects will include Don Johnson (malaria); R. W. Chamberlain (encephalitides of the United States); P. K. Russell (dengue); Don Schliessmann (yellow fever); and T. C. Orihel (dog heartworm).