
OBITUARY

Russell E. Siverly

Russell E. Siverly, director of the Public Health Entomology Laboratory, and Professor of Physiology and Health Science, Ball State University, died on February 21, 1976 following a brief illness. Russ, who was 62, also served as a Cooperator in the National Mosquito Identification Service.

A native of Louisa County, Iowa, Russ obtained his academic training at the University of Northern Iowa, the University of Wyoming, and Oregon State University. He taught in Iowa public schools before serving in the South Pacific with the Army Air Corps during World War II. Dr. Siverly was associated with the U. S. Public Health Service as a medical and research entomologist from 1948-1953. He worked with the USPHS Technical Development Laboratory in Savannah during the summers of 1957-1959, where he attained the rank of Scientist (Reserve).

Russ had been a member of the faculty at Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana, since 1956. He conducted extensive research on the biology of Indiana mosquitoes and domestic flies, and he was funded by the Indiana State Board of Health, the National Science Foundation, and Ball State. Dr. Siverly's numerous

publications include two books, *Mosquitoes of Indiana* and *Rearing Insects in Schools*.

Dr. Siverly was an outspoken proponent of mosquito control activities in Indiana, and he was particularly concerned about the occurrence of Saint Louis encephalitis in the state. Russ served on the Muncie Board of Health for two years. In recent years, he had been conducting short courses and training programs for county sanitarians throughout Indiana. Shortly before his death, he saw part of his goal realized when enabling legislation was at long last approved by the Indiana Legislature, and the State Board of Health hired a medical entomologist to coordinate mosquito control activities.

Russ was associated with Sigma Xi and Sigma Zeta science honoraries, the Entomological Society of America, Society of Systematic Zoologists, Commissioned Officers Association, American Public Health Association, American Mosquito Control Association, and he was a fellow of the Indiana Academy of Science. Many undergraduate students at Ball State had the privilege of working under Russ.

Dr. Siverly is survived by his wife, Mary Ogden, and two children, James and Ann.—Donald A. Shroyer

DON M. REES

Dr. Don M. Rees of Salt Lake City, Utah, died suddenly on April 5, 1976. A suitable obituary is planned for the September number of *Mosquito News*. Dr. Rees, a former president of AMCA, was active in Association affairs for many years.