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In addition, details of these International Programs are provided in the May 12, 1978 issue of *NIH Guide for Grants and Contracts*, Vol. 7, No. 7.

Deadline for receipt of proposals has been set for January 15, 1979.

OBITUARY

JOHN D. DE' COURSEY

Retired Navy Captain John D. DeCoursey, 73, medical entomologist in the Medical Service Corps, U. S. Navy for nearly 30 years, died June 13, 1978 at the National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, Maryland. His naval career was devoted to mosquito and malaria control, being involved at different times in training, research and field operations. A major contribution was his role in founding the Military Entomology Information Service at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center annex in Forest Glen. He was awarded a Defense Department commendation for this work.

Entering the Navy in 1942, he served World War II tours of duty within the United States at the Navy Yard, Norfolk, VA; Naval Medical School, National Naval Medical Center, Bethesda, MD; Naval Air Station, Hitchcock, Texas; Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, CA and the Naval Base, San Bruno, CA. During the war, he also had malaria control assignments in Nicaragua, Trinidad and Okinawa.

Following the war, Captain DeCoursey was stationed at the Navy's Bureau of Medicine and Surgery in Washington, D.C. from 1945 to 1950 and then spent four

years at the Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N. C. From 1954 to 1956, he conducted mosquito control research at Naval Medical Research Unit 3 in Cairo, Egypt. Following this, he returned to the Washington area for the remainder of his career, retiring in 1970.

Captain DeCoursey was born in Indianapolis, IN. He earned a bachelor's degree at Louisiana State University and master's and doctoral degrees in entomology at the University of Illinois. He worked for the U. S. Department of Agriculture in Idaho and at the Agricultural Research Station in Beltsville, MD, before beginning his naval service.

He was a member of the American Mosquito Control Association.

Survivors include his wife, Anna M., in Bethesda; a son Donald W., of Unionville, VA; a daughter, Patricia Ann Woosley of Decorah, IA; a brother, R. M. DeCoursey, of Storrs, CT, and two grandchildren.

Known affectionately as "Don," Captain DeCoursey served a long and fruitful career as entomologist, naval officer and family man. His passing is noted with sorrow.—Kenneth L. Knight, N. C. State University.