

Editor's Corner

With this first number of the eleventh volume of MOSQUITO SYSTEMATICS, I think it is especially appropriate to pay homage to the Directors of the American Mosquito Control Association in general and to Mr. Thomas D. Mulhern, Executive Director of the AMCA in particular for making possible this long period of service to the science of mosquito identification. Pressured by the continuing inroads of inflation and the need to fund many other special services to the broad area of mosquito abatement, this Association and its members have kept MOSQUITO SYSTEMATICS solvent and healthy since our union in 1974.

The financial burden of MOSQUITO SYSTEMATICS to the AMCA could be considerably lightened by the addition of another 100 subscribers. We need particularly to increase the number of our library subscribers since their subscriptions serve many individuals and for a longer period of time. The assistance of our readers in increasing circulation is earnestly solicited.

It is my pleasant task at the beginning of each year to select a new cover picture. In the process, I have attempted to give recognition to some of the most noted and skilled mosquito illustrators of our times and earlier. To date the artwork of Eleanor Smithwick, K. H. Prather, Vichai Malikul, S. F. Yee, Frederick Knab, Amedeo J. E. Terzi and Thelma L. Ford (Smith) has appeared on our covers.

This year I am pleased to honor Mrs. Chien C. Chang, who worked with me from 1968 until her removal with her husband to Kansas State University, Manhattan, last July. Her ability to interpret and reproduce complicated structures with accuracy and beauty is epitomized in the cover illustration of the dorsal and ventral aspects of the larval maxilla of the American mosquito, *Orthopodomyia signifera* (Coquillett).

I am pleased to say that her work with mosquitoes is continuing with an assignment to illustrate the ambitious keys to the mosquitoes of the United States and Canada being prepared by Drs. Richard F. Darsie and Ronald A. Ward and to be published by the American Mosquito Control Association.

As in the past, copies of the 1979 cover illustration of MOSQUITO SYSTEMATICS suitable for framing will be available upon request.

As you may know the "Catalog of the Mosquitoes of the World" by K. L. Knight and Alan Stone and published in 1977 was complete only through 1973. A publication, "Supplement to a Catalog of the Mosquitoes of the World" by K. L. Knight and filling in the period of 1974 through 1977 was published in 1978 by the Entomological Society of America, Box AJ, 4603 Calvert Road, College Park, Maryland 20740 (price postpaid \$2.00).