EARL L. GISH

We are especially saddened to have to record here the death of Earl Gish, which occurred, truly, "in the line of duty," at the end of the AMCA-CMCA meetings at Anaheim, Calif., John H. Pritchard, Business Manager of the Jefferson County Mosquito Control District, Nederland, Texas, sent in a clipping from the Port Arthur News of February 4, 1961 from which the following excerpts were taken.

"Mayor Earl L. Gish of Nederland, who defied a heart ailment to work for the city and area he loved, is dead at the age of 59.

"The man who lived at a tireless pace in contradiction to his precarious condition, died doing the work he liked best—traveling to promote the interests of the county and Nederland.

"Funeral arrangements to be handled by Weldon Davis Funeral home, were incomplete today.

"Death came Friday from a heart attack at a Los Angeles, Calif., airport where Mr. Gish had just boarded an American Airlines jet for a trip home.

"The 2½ hour flight to Jefferson county airport was apparently only minutes away from its scheduled 6 p.m. (CST) departure.

"The longtime civic leader and public servant was on the West Coast for a week, pursuing one of the numerous related duties he welcomed while serving as head of Nederland’s city government.

"On his final trip, the mayor had attended a convention of the American Mosquito Control Association at Anaheim, Calif."

LEON HALL

On Sunday afternoon, January 15, Leon Hall, Manager of the Fresno-Westside Mosquito Abatement District, suffered an acute heart attack and died instantly.

The previous Friday, Lee had attended a meeting of the Southern San Joaquin Valley Region held at Visalia. He was in his usual buoyant spirits and there was no indication of impending trouble. At this meeting he was selected to serve this region as its regional representative. He accepted with modesty and volunteered to do his best in the interest of good mosquito control.

CORRECTION

With reference to an error in the AMCA history published in Mosquito News, Vol. 20 No. 4 (December, 1960), page 397, the chairman of the committee which prepared the History has authorized the following correction:

"At the fifth meeting of the Eastern Mosquito Control Association, held in August, 1939 at Bay Shore, Long Island, New York, Mr. C. T. Williamson was elected President, and held that office through the year, until the next meeting in 1940. The History as published in Mosquito News wrongly listed Dr. Headlee as President and ‘W. S. Corkran’ as Vice President. The committee regrets this error and is glad to have been given this opportunity to set the record straight."

Incidentally, the Historical Committee earnestly solicits corrections of any similar or other errors that are noted in the History.