with accompanying instructions for each of the new programs are available from:
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Requests for additional information relating
to these grants may be obtained by writing to
the above or by telephoning Dr. Beck at (301)
496–7065.

In addition, details of these International
Programs are provided in the May 12, 1978
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Deadline for receipt of proposals has been

OBITUARY

JOHN D. DE COURSEY

Retired Navy Captain John D. DeCoursey, 73, medical entomologist in the Med-
ical Service Corps, U. S. Navy for nearly
30 years, died June 13, 1978 at the Na-
tional Naval Medical Center, Bethesda,
Maryland. His naval career was devoted
to mosquito and malaria control, being
involved at different times in training, re-
search and field operations. A major con-
tribution 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. Dur-
ing 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 In-
dianapolis, IN. He earned a bachelor’s
degree at Louisiana State University and
master’s and doctoral degrees in en-
tomology at the University of Illinois. He
worked for the U. S. Department of Ag-
riculture 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,” Capt-
tain 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.