

GUEST EDITORIAL

This might be more appropriately called an open letter to Dr. William E. Bickley, who has been the Editor of *Mosquito News* during the past eight years. An editor's role is not an easy one, for it is impossible to please everyone. First and foremost, the editor must maintain and, if possible, improve the quality and prestige of the publication. You have succeeded admirably, Dr. Bickley, for when you turned over the stewardship of *Mosquito News* to our new editor, Dr. Ronald A. Ward, the journal of the American Mosquito Control Association was in better shape than ever, both in the number and the quality of

the articles. The important result is that *Mosquito News* has an improved standing in the scientific community. This was in part a result of the improved peer system which became more effective under your editorship.

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the entire membership, please accept my heartfelt thanks for a job well done. Your dedication and hard work over the past eight years as Editor of *Mosquito News* will be an inspiration to the rest of us in AMCA, something we can all strive to emulate.—Claude H. Schmidt, President