



George Allan Moore, 1878–1966

Members of the Entomological Society of Canada will be saddened to learn of the passing of one of the oldest Honourary Life Members, Mr. George A. Moore, who passed away at his home in Outremont, Montreal, on 18 March 1966. He had been a member for 70 years, as he joined the Montreal Branch of the Entomological Society of Ontario in 1896.

Mr. Moore served the Montreal Branch as Secretary-Treasurer for 12 years, Vice-President for 2 years, and President for 26 years. He was President of the Entomological Society of Ontario during 1944–45, and was made a Life Member in 1945. In 1951 he was made Honourary Life Member of the Entomological Society of Canada and also of the Entomological Society of Quebec. He was cited for his contributions to Entomology in Canada during the Centennial of Entomology in Canada in 1963.

George Moore was also a member of many other scientific societies: Fellow of the Royal Entomological Society of London, 1937; Fellow of the Entomological Society of America, 1951; Life Member of the Canadian Society of Zoology, 1965; member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science; member of McGill University Chapter, Sigma XI; member of the Quebec Society for the Protection of Plants; and member of the Province of Quebec Society for the Protection of Birds. He was granted the Honourary degree of Master of Science by McGill University in 1955.

Mr. Moore was born in Toronto, 3 October 1878, but moved to Montreal at an early age. He was on the staff of the Bell Telephone Company of Canada for 47 years, from 1898 to 1945.

He was interested in entomology from a very early age and this interest remained strong throughout his life. He was one of the last of the amateur systematists in entomology in Canada and favoured the Order Hemiptera. His valuable collection of specimens of this Order is now in the Lyman Entomological Museum.

Mr. Moore served as secretary of the Lyman Entomological Committee of McGill University from the time this committee was formed in 1914 until 1961, and continued as a member of the committee until the time of his death. He was curator of the Lyman Entomological Collection and Library for 30 years, retiring only in 1961, at the age of 83. Under Mr. Moore's capable hands, the Lyman collection of insects increased from 730 drawers in 1934 to 1140 drawers in 1961. The collections were housed in the Peter Redpath Museum, McGill University, from 1914 to 1961, when they were moved to new and larger quarters at Macdonald College in December 1961. Mr. Moore officiated at the opening of the new Lyman Entomological Museum on 12 April 1962. One room of the Museum, which houses the 'lower' Orders of insects, is dedicated to Mr. Moore, and contains a suitably engraved bronze plaque.

Mr. Moore always had an active interest in church affairs and was recently made an honorary life elder of the Westmount United Church, the first time this appointment had been made in this church.

He is survived by his wife, one son and one daughter. He will be missed, not only by his family and friends, but also by all who are interested in Entomology in Canada.

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Honors

Dr. E. G. Munroe, Science Secretariat of the Privy Council, formerly of the Entomological Research Institute, Research Branch, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, has been elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

Dr. W. E. Ricker, Pacific Biological Station, Nanaimo, British Columbia, has been awarded the Gold Medal of the Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada.