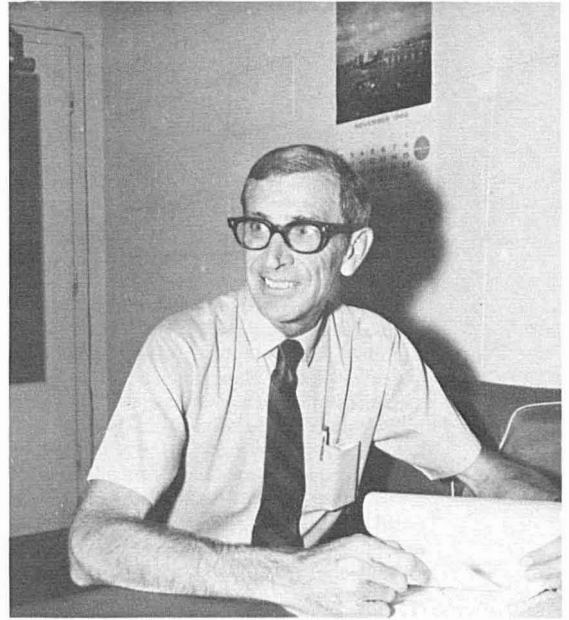


IN MEMORIAM

Thomas A. Manar

1912-1982



Thomas Alonzo (Lon) Manar, former Chief of the Scientific Publications Staff (now the Scientific Publications Office), died at his home in Encinitas, Calif., on 26 August 1982 after a heart seizure. Lon Manar was a journalist, newspaperman, science writer, and editor in the best traditions of his craft. As the Chief of the Scientific Publications Staff in Seattle, Wash., from 1970 to 1974, he set the style and format for a revamped U.S. Fishery Bulletin. The early years of the Marine Fisheries Review also reflected his flair for innovative and creative journalism. In 1974 his superior service and unique talents were recognized with the award of a Bronze Medal by the U.S. Department of Commerce.

A graduate in journalism from the University of Oklahoma, Mr. Manar joined the Scripps Institution of Oceanography as scientific editor in 1951 after a stint as a meteorologist in the U.S. Army during World War II and as a newspaperman in Oklahoma. In the early 1960's he set up the public information office at the University of California, San Diego when the campus was developing.

In 1965, following the death of his wife, Ruth, Mr. Manar left the University for a position with the Federal Government as Chief of Publication Services for the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries Biological Laboratory in Honolulu, Hawaii; until 1970 he lived and worked in Honolulu. His last position before retirement was as an editor and consultant with the Southwest Fisheries Center of the National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, in La Jolla, Calif.

Mr. Manar was a man of wide interests and enthusiasm—art, music, reading, nature photography. After his retirement he traveled extensively in this country and abroad. He is survived by a sister, Maurine Manar of Encinitas.

While Mr. Manar was not a fishery biologist, he understood scientists and their needs. Many manuscripts arrived on his desk in shambles and emerged as examples of good scientific writing. Those of us who benefited from his talents are grateful; the Fishery Bulletin has benefited the most.