

Glenn Washington Herrick

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Professor Herrick was born on a farm near Otto, New York, the son of the late Stephen M. and Marion Botsford Herrick. He attended the local schools, and then was a teacher in the public schools from 1888 to 1890. He attended the State Normal School at Fredonia, New York. Later, in 1892, he matriculated at Cornell University, graduating with the B.S.A. degree in 1896. This was followed by a year at Harvard University. From 1897 to 1908, Professor Herrick was Professor of Biology at the State College of Mississippi, Starkville, and then Professor of Entomology for a year at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, College Station. He returned to Cornell in 1909 to become a member of the staff of the Department of Entomology and Limnology and retired as Professor Emeritus in 1935, so enjoying 30 years of active retirement. He retained his home in Ithaca and was a well-known figure as he took his daily constitutional around the campus and the city.

In 1898 Professor Herrick married the former Nannie Young Burke, Cornell '97, of North Carolina, who died in 1957. They are survived by three children: a daughter, Mrs. Ann Raines of Norman, Oklahoma; and two sons, Professor Marvin T. Herrick of Urbana, Illinois, and Dr. Stephen M. Herrick of Decatur, Georgia.

Professor Herrick taught the beginning courses in entomology, including the course in control of injurious insects. For this work, he wrote several manuals and, with Professor Comstock, was coauthor of the *Manual for the Study of Insects*. Among his other books was *Insects Injurious to the Household and Annoying to Man*, the result of his work in Mississippi. He published many papers and bulletins on insect control, and many more were published by his graduate students. He also contributed to the *Encyclopedia Britannica* as well as to the *Rural New Yorker*. He was a fellow of the Entomological Society of America and of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He served as president of the American Association of Economic Entomologists in 1915. He was a member of the American Palestine Commission.

Professor Herrick was a fine lecturer, not only clear and instructive but lively and interesting. He was a perfect gentleman of the old school and always showed a kindly interest in people. When he was still active, he and Mrs. Herrick entertained his assistants and the many students every year. Their hospitality was a joy and an encouragement.

Besides his scientific work, Professor Herrick took a great interest in the community and in his church. He had been a member of the Cayuga Heights Village board of trustees and was chairman of the board of trustees of the

first schoolhouse in Cornell Heights. He was clerk of the vestry of St. John's Episcopal Church for sixteen years, later serving as junior warden. He was for several years chairman of Weekday Religious Education sponsored by Ithaca churches. For many years he was insect merit badge counselor for the local Boy Scouts of America.

We remember Professor Herrick as one of the pioneers in economic entomology an inspiring teacher, and a respected and beloved citizen of our community.

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