

OBITUARIES

RODNEY L. HASSAGE

Rodney received his Ph.D. in 1988 under Ken Stewart at the University of North Texas. He accepted a teaching position at Southwest Texas State University where he served until his death on October 29, 1991. He was a relatively young plecopterologist, yet he was the author or co-author of four papers on stoneflies. His papers deal with stonefly ecology and behavior. Rodney will be sorely missed by those who knew him both personally and professionally.

CHARLES L. HOGUE

Charlie Hogue was a true friend of plecopterology and enjoyed collecting stoneflies. As chairman of the Department of Entomology at the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County he found many opportunities to collect stoneflies, not only in California, but throughout North, South and Central America. In 1980 the large California perlid, *Hesperoperla hoguei* was named in his honor, based on some specimens that he collected in Northern California. Even though Charlie's own research speciality was torrenticolus flies he had a great enthusiasm for other aquatic orders and he was a much sought after seminar speaker. However, Charlie was at his best in the field and a collecting expedition with him was always a superb experience. He died in his home on July 20, 1992.

SELWYN S. ROBACK

Sam Roback was the Curator of the Entomology Department at the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia at the time of his death on July 1, 1988. Sam was instrumental in the publication of many papers on Plecoptera during his many years as editor of both *Entomological News* and *Transactions of the American Entomological Society*. In addition he was a major force in the publication of the *Stoneflies of the Rocky Mountains*, which appeared in the *Memoirs of the American Entomological Society* in 1977. Sam collected widely in both the Nearctic and Neotropical regions for his Chironomidae and he often collected interesting stoneflies as well. His wit and humor at meetings, such as the North American Benthological Society will be greatly missed.