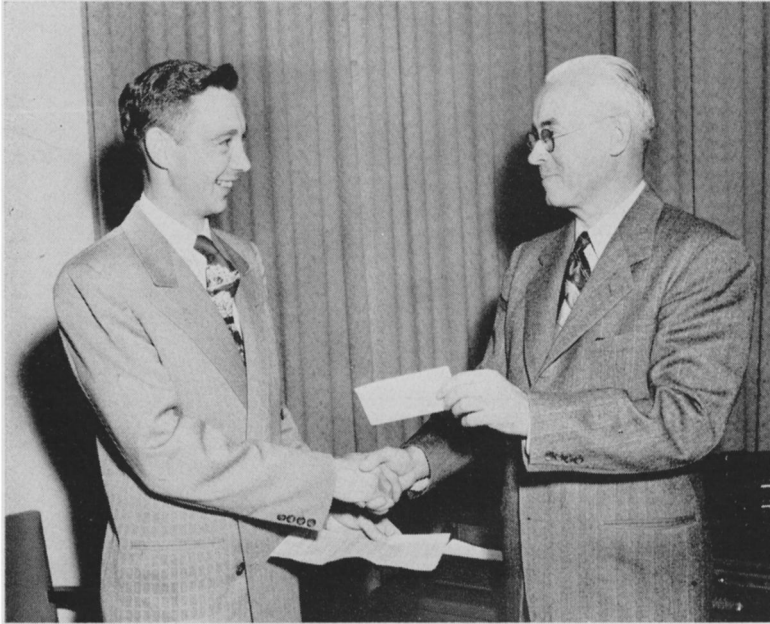


THE GEORGE MERCER AWARD



Dr. Helmut K. Buechner, left, receiving the George Mercer Award for 1951 from Acting President William A. Pearl of Washington State College.

The George Mercer Award for 1951 was announced at the annual dinner of the Ecological Society of America in Minneapolis. Dr. Helmut K. Buechner received the award for his paper entitled, "Life History, Ecology, and Range Use of the Pronghorn Antelope in Trans-Pecos, Texas," published in the *American Midland Naturalist*, Volume 43, 1950.

The George Mercer Award was established by Dr. F. W. Preston in honor of a young man who showed great promise of becoming an outstanding biologist, Lieutenant George Mercer, of the British Army of World War I, killed in action October 3, 1918. The purpose of the award is to commemorate the sacrifice of a young naturalist and ecologist, and to encourage others to publish papers comparable with those it is reasonable to suppose he would have published if he had lived.

This award is made by the Ecological Society each year to a young man who, during the past two years, has published a very outstanding paper in the field of ecology.