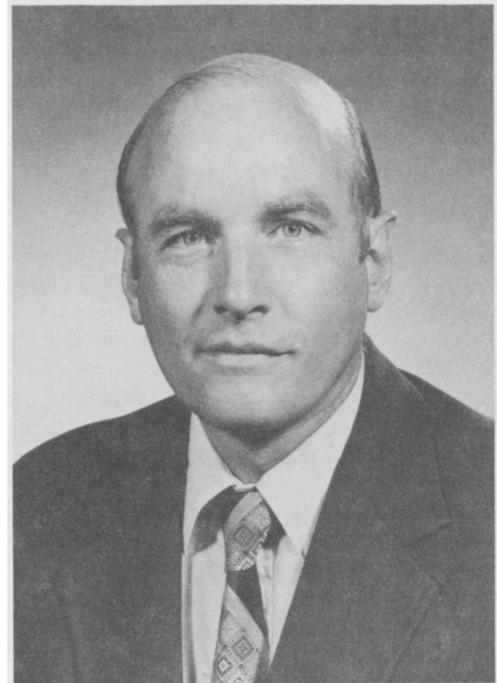


## DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CITATION

Arthur Wells Cooper

Arthur Cooper, as a public servant, teacher, and university administrator, you have served science and the national interest ably, bringing to your various assignments both professional expertise and skills in compromise. The Society is in debt for your efforts in many directions: as Editor of *Ecological Monographs* (1969–1971), as a member of the Board of Editors from 1971–1978, Vice-President in 1975, President in 1980–1981, and for your many years of service on the Council. Many other activities have gone unheralded; for example, your help in selecting a managing editor for our journals in 1974, and your work as Chairman of the Study Committee for almost 10 years. In addition, you guided the Institute of Ecology through its difficult, final years.

You have not neglected other interests and have served as an officer in the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Association of Southeastern Biologists, and the North Carolina Academy of Science—as President in 1978. Your research has ranged from the salt marshes and dunes of North Carolina to the aspen forests of northern Michigan. While carrying on an active professional and scientific career, you distinguished yourself as Assistant Secretary for Resource Management in the North Carolina Department of Natural and Economic Resources (1971–1976), establishing fundamental scientific bases of ecological understanding within the state government. Committees on which you have served outside the Society are almost without number. They include those within your University as Director of the Coastal Research Program and Graduate



Administrator, and now as head of the Department of Forestry, and in your many assignments for the State of North Carolina where you were a member of the State Mining Council, the Technical Committee of the Marine Science Council, and the Task Force on Environmental and Natural Resource Education, and your continuing membership in the Coastal Resources Commission.

Your service on the national level has been extensive, including Advisory Committees to the National Park Service and the Corps of

**Engineers, and most recently, Chairman of the Committee of Scientists for the National Forest Management Act. Throughout, your loyal service to the Ecological Society and unstinting gifts of time and energy to Society affairs have earned the accolades of all of us. In your most recent position as Chair of the Washington Office Review Committee, you are helping to insure that the Society has a voice in the important decisions facing the United States government today.**

**For these and many other things, the Society honors you with its Distinguished Service Citation.**

**Written by Forest Stearns**

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