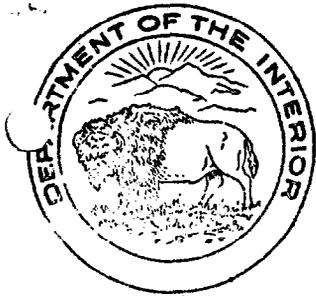


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Regret at the death of Major Edward A. Goldman, one of the leading mammalogists of the country and for 51 years a member of the scientific staff of the Department of the Interior's Fish and Wildlife Service, was expressed today by Albert M. Day, Director of the Service.

Major Goldman died at his home (2702 17th St. N.E.) in Washington, D. C., yesterday morning.

"Major Goldman was an outstanding authority in his field," Mr. Day said.

"As a result of his extensive field work, he had described more species and subspecies than any living mammalogist. His death will be felt as a personal loss by everyone who knew him."

Although Major Goldman retired in 1943, he had continued to work almost daily at his old offices in the National Museum, completing manuscripts reporting the results of a lifetime of research. He was stricken at his office last Friday afternoon.

Major Goldman is credited with having discovered or described 275 of the type specimens of mammals in the Service's collection. No less than 30 kinds of birds and animals and a score of plants have been named in Major Goldman's honor by other scientists.

Many years of Major Goldman's service with the government were spent in making biological surveys in Mexico and he was instrumental in drawing up the treaty with Mexico for the protection of migratory birds which was proclaimed by President Roosevelt in 1937.

Major Goldman was born in Mount Carroll, Illinois, July 7, 1873. During the first World War he spent a year and a half overseas directing control of destructive and disease carrying rodents in France. On his return in 1919, he became chief of the Division of Biological Investigations of the Bureau of Biological Survey, a predecessor agency of the present Fish and Wildlife Service, and later became chief of the Division of Game and Bird Reservations. Since 1928 he had been engaged in research work on American mammals.

After his retirement, Major Goldman published, as a coauthor with Stanley P. Young, Senior Biologist of the Fish and Wildlife Service, "The Wolves of North America," a volume generally regarded as the most complete treatment of the subject ever published. The same authors collaborated in the writing of another book, "The Puma, Mysterious American Cat," which is to be published this week.

At the time of his death, Major Goldman was at work on a comprehensive manuscript on the mammals of Mexico, embodying the results of his studies in that country which began in 1891 and took him over thousands of miles by horseback, into every part of Mexico.

He is survived by his wife and three sons, Melson, Orville and Luther Goldman.

Funeral services will be held in Washington Friday morning, with burial in Arlington cemetery.

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