OBITUARY

RAFFAELE CIFERRI

Co-founder of *Mycopathologia et Mycologia Applicata*, CIFERRI died on February 12, 1964, following his intimate friend and co-founder, REDAELLI, who suddenly died a few years before.

CIFERRI's great merits, achievements and permanent imprints upon modern mycology will be properly presented in a subsequent memorial.

One of his most notable contributions to mycological literature was the establishment of the journal, *Mycopathologia et Mycologia Applicata*, with his devoted friend, as a means of mycological communication on an international scale, in the best and widest sense of the word. Even though their beginning was difficult and modest, he had the good fortune and great satisfaction of seeing how the little acorn grew into a strong, imposing tree, to become one of the most important journals in the total field of mycology.

With an insatiable propensity for research he covered many, if not all, fields of mycology. Medical mycology will remember him by his two, splendid volumes of *Micologia Medica*, monumentum aere perennius.

CIFERRI was Director of the Istituto ed Orto Botanico della Università and of the Laboratorio Crittogamico of Pavia, Italy. He received many national and international acknowledgments for his contributions to the complete field of mycology.

He was: Accademico dei XL

Member of the British Mycological Society

Membre de la Société Mycologique de France

Member of the European Weed Research Council

Medaglia d'oro dei benemeriti della Scuola, Cultura ed Arte

Doutor em Medicina Honoris Causa da Universidade do Recife

Membro dell' Accademia dei Georgofili

The Publishing House Dr. W. Junk and the Editor of this Journal with deep sorrow extend the most sincere sympathy to his family, to his many pupils and friends.

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