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A RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP IN BACTERIOLOGY

THE Society of American Bacteriologists at its recent meeting in Philadelphia, appropriated a fund for the support of a research fellowship in pure bacteriology. While excellent work is being carried on in many places, nearly all the problems under investigation have as their aim a practical application and there are, therefore, many gaps in our knowledge of fundamental principles. The society, believing it to be the duty of bacteriologists to fill these *lacunæ*, requires that the line of work to be carried on under its fund must concern a purely scientific and fundamental phase of bacteriology, although a certain latitude of choice will be permitted, conditioned by the previous training and the desires of the research fellow himself.

Applicants for the fellowship must have the degree of B.S. or its equivalent. The successful candidate, through arrangements now being made, will receive academic credit for the work done from a university of recognized standing. One hundred dollars a month will be available for the living expenses of the fellow. Approximately half his time will be devoted to details connected with the society's collection of bacteria, deposited at the Army Medical Museum.

The selection of the research fellow will be in charge of a committee consisting of:

Dr. Victor C. Vaughan, chairman of the Medical Section, National Research Council, *Chairman*.

Captain C. S. Butler, Medical Corps, U. S. Navy, commandant, Naval Medical School.

Dr. Geo. W. McCoy, director of the Hygienic Laboratory, U. S. Public Health Service.

Dr. John R. Mohler, chief, Bureau of Animal Industry.

Mr. L. A. Rogers (president of the Society of American Bacteriologists), in charge of research laboratory, Dairy Division, Bureau of Animal Industry.

Colonel Joseph F. Siler, Medical Corps, U. S. Army, Division of Sanitation, Office of the Surgeon General of the Army.

Dr. Erwin F. Smith, pathologist in charge, Laboratory of Plant Pathology, Bureau of Plant Pathology.

This committee will have general supervision of the work, approve the problem selected and pass upon the thesis which the fellow will submit as the report of his research. Applications for and communications concerning the research fellowship should be addressed to the chairman of the committee, Dr. Victor C. Vaughan, National Research Council, Washington, D. C.

A. PARKER HITCHENS,
Secretary of the Committee

ARMY MEDICAL SCHOOL,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

THE CULTURE COLLECTION OF THE SOCIETY OF AMERICAN BACTERIOLOGISTS

THE Society of American Bacteriologists has taken over the collection of cultures which for the past ten years has been maintained at the American Museum of Natural History by Professor C.-E. A. Winslow, and has deposited it at the Army Medical Museum, where facilities have been arranged for its housing and maintenance.

The following committee will be in charge:

Dr. J. M. Sherman, Dairy Division, Bureau of Animal Industry, *Chairman*.

Major G. R. Callender, curator of the Army Medical Museum.

Dr. Geo. W. McCoy, director of the Hygienic Laboratory, U. S. Public Health Service.

Major H. J. Nichols, Army Medical School.

The president of the society.

The secretary of the society.

These and other members of the society in and near Washington will do volunteer work and the research fellow will do part time work in maintaining the collection. No charge will be made for cultures. In making requests, the classification of the society should be followed as far as possible. Mail should be addressed to the Department of Bacteriology, Army Medical Museum, 7th and B Streets, S. W., Washington, D. C.

J. M. SHERMAN
Chairman of the Committee

STATION FOR THE STUDY OF DECIDUOUS FRUITS AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY

THE United States Government has established an experiment station on the Stanford campus in cooperation with the university for scientific work on the breeding and improve-