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### THE COST OF GERMAN PUBLICATIONS

THE following resolution was unanimously adopted at the twenty-seventh annual meeting of the Medical Library Association, held in Chicago, Illinois, on June 9 and 10:

WHEREAS many of the German publishers of medical books and periodicals are making unreasonable and unjustifiable charges for their publications to foreign subscribers and especially discriminating against American subscribers,

*Therefore, be it resolved* that it is the sense of this meeting that the Medical Library Association go on record expressing its disapproval of this unfair discrimination and urging the library and individual members of the association to discontinue the purchase of German medical books and periodicals until such time as the German publishers adopt a more equitable policy toward the American subscribers regarding prices; and further urging the discontinuance entirely of the purchase of all German books and periodicals unless prompt evidence is given of a change of attitude on the part of the German publishers and agents.

*Therefore, be it further resolved* that a copy of these resolutions be sent to every library and individual member of the Medical Library Association and to our American Consul General in Berlin, to Mr. M. L. Raney, chairman of the American Library Association Committee on Book Buying, and to the editors of the following periodicals for publication: *Journal of the American Medical Association*, *Borsenblatt des deutschen Buchhandels*, *Publishers Weekly*, *The Library Journal*, *Public Libraries*, SCIENCE.

*Committee on resolution regarding prices of German Medical Publications,*

CHARLES FRANKENBERGER, *Chairman*,  
J. CHRISTIAN BAY,  
CHARLES PERRY FISHER

### THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION AND THE NAPLES ZOOLOGICAL STATION

THE grant made by the American Association for the Advancement of Science to the Zoological Station at Naples has been accepted, and the director of the station, Dr. Reinhard Dohrn, has expressed his appreciation of the grant in the following paragraph taken from a letter to the permanent secretary:

I have received your letter communicating to me the vote of the American Association for the Advancement of Science to grant \$500 for an American working table at our Zoological Station, and I wish to tender herewith my heartiest thanks for this very valuable material help to our institute, and particularly for the moral support coming from such a highly representative body as the American Association for the Advancement of Science. My collaborators and I, who are just engaged in bring-

ing the Zoological Station again to an efficient working order, do highly appreciate this encouragement of American Science to our endeavors and I trust that the Zoological Station will succeed in rendering again good service to American biologists as it had been our privilege in the past.

The association wishes to name an occupant for the working table at Naples, and the permanent secretary will be glad to receive applications from scientists who may wish to take advantage of this. Dr. Dohrn states that he will be glad to correspond with persons who are planning to work at the Naples station.

BURTON E. LIVINGSTON,  
*Permanent Secretary*

### SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

ROBERT MELDRUM STEWART has been appointed director of the Dominion Observatory at Ottawa in succession to the late Dr. Otto Klotz.

ANDREW THOMSON has been appointed director of the Apia Observatory, Western Samoa, under the administration of the New Zealand government.

DR. FLORENCE R. SABIN, professor of histology at the Johns Hopkins Medical School, has been appointed a member on the scientific staff of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research.

THE Franklin medal and certificate of honorary membership in the Franklin Institute awarded to Sir Ernest Rutherford, Cavendish professor of physics at the University of Cambridge, was presented at a special ceremonial, held in London, on July 14.

DR. WILLIAM H. WELCH, director of the School of Hygiene and Public Health, Johns Hopkins University, has sailed for Europe to attend the conference on public health at Geneva.

DR. SAMUEL T. DARLING, of the International Health Board of the Rockefeller Foundation, was elected president of the American Society of Tropical Medicine at the annual convention held from June 9 to 10, in Chicago.

F. M. FARMER, chief engineer of the Electrical Testing Laboratories, New York, was elected president of the American Society for Testing Materials at the recent convention held in Atlantic City.

DR. P. S. HELMICK, of Drake University, has been elected secretary of the Iowa Academy of Science in succession to James H. Lees, of the Iowa Geological Survey, who has resigned after ten years of service.

PROFESSOR G. FICHERA, of the University of Pavia, has been awarded the Santoro prize by the National Academy of Sciences at Rome, for his researches on cancer.

RAPHAEL ZON, director of the Lake States Forest Experiment Station, has been appointed corresponding secretary of the Finnish Forestry Society, the object of which is to promote scientific forest investigations in Finland.

THE St. Louis office of the Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior, was discontinued on July 1. C. E. Van Barneveld, superintendent of the Mississippi Valley Station, Rolla, Mo., with which the St. Louis office was connected, has resigned. B. M. O'Harra is acting as superintendent of the Rolla Station.

AN office of the petroleum division of the Bureau of Mines is being established at the University of Wyoming. D. B. Dow, who has been attached to the Petroleum Experiment Station at Bartlesville, Okla., will be the engineer in charge of the Laramie office.

DR. GEORGE H. GODFREY, who was for ten years in the United States Bureau of Plant Industry, has accepted a position in agricultural research with the Beyer Company, New York.

G. H. CHENEY, formerly an instructor in chemistry at the University of Illinois, is now employed as a research chemist with the Dow Chemical Co.

SAMUEL F. HILDEBRAND, of the United States Bureau of Fisheries, left early in June for Augusta, Ga., from which point he will continue the investigation of fishes in relation to mosquito control in cooperation with the Public Health Service.

DR. CHARLES W. HARGITT, research professor of zoology, Syracuse University, has been invited to membership in the Pan-American Scientific Congress which meets in Lima, Peru, in November next, by the president and secretary general, on behalf of the organization committee. Dr. Hargitt will submit to the congress a report on some recent investigations.

PROFESSOR G. W. RITCHEY, of the Carnegie Solar Observatory, California, gave an illustrated lecture at the general meeting of the Astronomical Society of France held at the Sorbonne on June 18.

A GIFT of \$1,000 to establish a trust fund in memory of their son, Carl G. Kremers, has been received by the University of Wisconsin from Professor and Mrs. Edward Kremers. Professor Kremers is director of the university course in pharmacy and of the Pharmaceutical Experiment Station. The fund will be used by the station for research in furtherance of chemotherapy.

THE *Journal* of the American Medical Association states that the statue erected in memory of the anatomist Farabeuf has just been unveiled at the Faculty of Medicine of Paris. Addresses were delivered by Professor Sébilleau, a former pupil of Farabeuf, in the name of his colleagues of the Faculty of Medi-

cine; Professor Lejars, as the representative of the Academy of Medicine, and Professor J. L. Faure, in behalf of the Société de Chirurgie.

WE learn from *Nature* that at the University of Leeds, England, a fund has been raised with the object of signalizing the distinguished services which Professor Arthur Smithells had rendered to the community and particularly to the science of chemistry and the University of Leeds during his thirty-eight years' tenure of office as professor of chemistry. A portrait is to be painted of Professor Smithells for presentation to the university, and a fund of at least £2,000 will remain for the endowment of a scholarship.

DR. DUDLEY A. SARGENT, president and founder of the Sargent School for Physical Education, Cambridge, and formerly director of the Hemenway Gymnasium of Harvard University, died on July 21, in his seventy-fifth year.

DR. HARVEY R. GAYLORD, for twenty-five years director of the State Institute for the Study of Malignant Diseases at Buffalo, died on June 23, at the age of fifty-two years.

DR. WILLIAM ALPHONSO WITHERS, professor of chemistry in the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering since its establishment in 1889, died suddenly on June 20, at the age of sixty years.

PROFESSOR PHILIP B. HASBROUCK, for twenty-nine years head of the department of physics at Massachusetts Agricultural College, has died.

DR. CHARLES E. MOYSE, emeritus vice-principal of McGill University, Montreal, and emeritus dean of the faculty of arts, has died at the age of seventy-two years.

SIR WILLIAM ABBOTT HERDMAN, formerly professor of natural history and oceanography at the University of Liverpool, and one of the best known marine biologists in Great Britain, died on July 22.

THE legislature having recently authorized the change, Dr. E. N. Lowe, state geologist of Mississippi, is now transferring the museum and the library of the State Geological Survey from Jackson to the State University. The address of the survey will henceforth be University, Mississippi.

THIRTEEN professors and instructors of various universities and colleges attended the fourteenth annual session of the Summer Conference for Engineering Teachers, which was held at the works of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company from July 7 to July 31. The program for the conference was worked out so that each member was afforded an opportunity to carry out some line of engineering work. Among the colleges represented

in the conference are the University of Kansas, University of Colorado, New Mexico Agriculture and Mechanics College, Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Harvard Engineering School, Cornell University, University of Iowa, Oregon Agricultural College, Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, Purdue University and the Victoria Jubilee Institute of Bombay, India.

THE Medical Research Council of London announces that it has awarded Rockefeller Medical Fellowships, tenable in the United States during the academic year 1924-25, to the following: Robert Keith Cannan, senior assistant in biochemistry, University College, London; John Josias Conybeare, assistant physician and warden of the College at Guy's Hospital, London; Dr. James Rognvald Learmonth, assistant to the professor of surgery, Anderson College of Medicine, Glasgow; Ethel Marjory Luce, Lister Institute of Preventive Medicine, London; Dr. John William McNee, senior assistant in the medical unit, University College Hospital, London; William Robson, chemical assistant in the department of therapeutics, University of Edinburgh.

SECRETARY OF THE NAVY WILBUR has approved a project of the Naval Observatory for sending an expedition to observe the total solar eclipse in Sumatra in January, 1926. From the observations to be made it is believed that valuable data will be obtained regarding magnetic disturbances on the sun.

THE International Medical Commission for combating malaria has arrived at Warsaw. The commission, which was appointed by the League of Nations, will proceed later to Russia to continue its researches and inquiries.

THE California Academy of Sciences is sending a collecting party from its department of entomology into the southern Arizona mountains to collect and study the Sonoran fauna of this region. The party will be in charge of E. P. Van Duzee, curator of entomology in the academy, assisted by J. O. Martin. They will leave San Francisco about the fifteenth of July and remain in the field from four to six weeks, visiting the Santa Catalinas, the Huachuclas and possibly others of the southern mountains.

AN expedition into the little known parts of China will be conducted for the next two or three years by explorers of the Department of Agriculture. Dr. P. H. Dorsett and his son, J. H. Dorsett, sailed from San Francisco for Shanghai on July 22. Their explorations will be conducted in the Provinces of Chih-Li and Shen-Si and in the rich agricultural territory of Manchuria. They will make intensive studies of agricultural conditions and the principal crops with a view to ascertaining in what way a mutual exchange of seeds and plants can be brought about between China and the United States.

## UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NOTES

A CABLEGRAM reports that the movement to establish an American university in Greece similar to Robert College in Constantinople has been given impetus by the visit to Athens of Professor Robert Andrews Millikan, director of the Norman Bridge Laboratory of the California Institute of Technology at Pasadena. Professor Millikan is reported to be representing a foundation which has allocated \$5,000,000 for such a project.

DR. R. AHMED, a graduate of the University of Iowa, has opened a dental college in Calcutta, to be called the Calcutta Dental College and Hospital. The staff of twelve members includes a second Iowa alumnus, Dr. P. K. Bose.

DR. RALPH S. LILLIE, of the Nela Research Laboratory, Cleveland, has been appointed professor of physiology at the University of Chicago. In addition to the appointment of Dr. Karl Taylor Compton to be professor of physics, as previously recorded in SCIENCE, other appointments include: Dr. G. K. K. Link, associate professor of plant pathology; Dr. Frank E. Ross, associate professor of astronomy at the Yerkes Observatory; Dr. William Taliaferro, associate professor in the department of hygiene and bacteriology; Dr. Fay-Cooper Cole, assistant professor of anthropology, and Dr. H. B. Van Dyke, assistant professor of physiological chemistry.

DR. EARLE R. HEDRICK, who has been for twenty-three years professor of mathematics at the University of Missouri, has resigned to become professor of mathematics at the University of California at the southern branch in Los Angeles.

DR. C. S. YOAKUM, who five years ago succeeded Dr. W. D. Scott as director of the Bureau of Personnel Research at Carnegie Institute of Technology, has been appointed professor of personnel management in the newly organized School of Business Administration at the University of Michigan.

DR. JOHN DUDLEY DUNHAM was recently appointed professor of medicine in the college of medicine of the Ohio State University.

DR. A. C. WALTON, formerly professor of zoology at Northwestern College, Naperville, has been appointed professor of zoology at Knox College to succeed Dr. George N. Higgins, who goes to the Mayo Foundation at Rochester to take up research work in comparative anatomy.

PROFESSOR ROBERT H. GAULT, of Northwestern University, who will be associated with the National Research Council at Washington during the year 1924-