

also. Why Clarke's note of the case should have been given wide currency, while the clear and convincing report of the case by Ortmann was overlooked or disregarded, is the amazing aspect of this very crude "fake." Is it possible that the present exposé, twenty-three years afterward, may be more effectual? Surely its life history has been extreme!

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THE S. T. DARLING MEMORIAL PRIZE

THE news of the tragic death of Dr. S. T. Darling, the eminent American malariologist, is fresh in the minds of many of your readers. It will be recalled that the fatal motor accident resulting in his death and that of two other members of the party occurred in Syria, in May, 1925, where Dr. Darling, as a member of the malaria commission of the Health Organization of the League of Nations, was studying local malaria conditions.

The health committee of the League of Nations during its last session adopted the following resolution which has since received the approbation of the council of the league:

The Health Committee, wishing to honour and perpetuate the memory of Dr. Darling, decides to collect by private subscription a capital fund, the interest on which will be expended on a prize to be awarded periodically. This will be known as "The Darling Prize."

The prize (a medal or other award) will be awarded by the malaria commission of the League of Nations to the scientist who, in its opinion, has carried out recent distinguished research work on a subject connected with malaria which comes within the general scope of the commission's investigations.

Should any of your readers desire to be associated with this attempt of the Health Organization of the League of Nations to honor the memory of a distinguished American colleague by subscribing to the fund, I would ask that their contributions be sent to the director of the Health Section, League of Nations, Geneva, Switzerland.

Contributions will be acknowledged individually and all subscribers will be given, in due course, full information as to the regulations governing the periodic award of the prize and the administration of the funds.

TH. MADSEN,

President of the Health Committee.

SPECIAL CHARACTERS FOR THE TYPEWRITER

IN the discussion on simplified literature citations in the issue of SCIENCE for January 15, Mr. Charles

F. Goldthwait, of the Mellon Institute of Industrial Research, University of Pittsburgh, says:

In manuscripts for printing, bold-faced type is indicated by underlining with a wavy line. Since the typewriter has no such character, editors understand what is meant if volume numbers are underlined.

I had so much difficulty along this same line that I had made for my typewriting machine a special character—a wavy underscorer which, when the machine is run back and this character is used to underline the letters or figures wanted in blackface, gives a continuous wavy line which the printer readily understands.

I also have a special character with two parallel lines which will underscore the words desired in small caps. When this is used with the regular underscorer, it gives me the three lines required to indicate capitals.

Also, I had my machine equipped with brackets as well as parentheses.

I had this done over ten years ago when I was an editor-in-chief on the late John Hill's group of engineering weeklies, and at that time and in all the years since I have found these special characters among the handiest on my machine, enabling me to turn out clean and properly marked copy.

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DISTRIBUTION OF HYMENOPHYSA PUBESCENS

IN the issue of SCIENCE for December 4, 1925, Paul C. Standley reported the finding of *Hymenophyssa pubescens* in the United States. He stated that this plant was new to the United States and the American herbaria lacked specimens. I wish to correct this error by calling your attention to my finding of this plant at Ypsilanti, Michigan, in 1919. It was identified by Harold St. John, formerly at Gray Herbarium, Cambridge, Massachusetts. Specimens are to be found in the following herbaria: Gray, Cambridge, Massachusetts; Parke, Davis and Company, Detroit, Michigan; Field Museum, Chicago, Illinois; University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan; Michigan State College, East Lansing, Michigan, and many others in the United States.

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UNDER the auspices of the British Association and the British Science Guild, a conference was recently

¹ From *Nature*.