## SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

## DEVELOPMENT OF THE BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY AT COLD SPRING HARBOR

The Long Island Biological Association has recently acquired thirty-two and one half acres of land for the Biological Laboratory at Cold Spring Harbor, Long Island. The land is situated to the north and west of the previous limits to the laboratory grounds. It is admirably suitable for its proposed uses; namely, to provide building sites for the immediate expansion of the biological laboratory and for biologists who desire to establish their summer homes at Cold Spring Harbor in close proximity to the laboratory and its available facilities for biological study and investigation.

The present plans call for expansion of the laboratory to the north of the buildings on an excellent parcel of land having a frontage of over four hundred feet on Cold Spring Harbor.

Directly west of this parcel, and of the previous holdings, the land rises in a series of beautifully wooded terraces to an elevation of about one hundred and fifty feet above sea level. All of these terraces command a pleasing view of the harbor, while from some there is a panorama which includes portions of Long Island Sound and of the Connecticut shore. These terraces are available for purchase by biologists. Detailed information will be furnished upon application to R. G. Harris, director of the Biological Laboratory.

The acquisition of the land was made possible by the generosity of some sixty officers and members of the Long Island Biological Association who contributed \$65,000 for this purpose.

At the same time with the purchase of the land for the biological laboratory, nine acres from the same original tract (41.6 acres) were purchased by the Carnegie Institution of Washington to help connect the two sections of the department of genetics. This was made possible by gifts from a number of friends of the institution as well as by a special appropriation by its trustees.

## THE MELLON LECTURES AT THE UNIVER-SITY OF PITTSBURGH

THE eleventh Mellon Lecture before the Society for Biological Research of the school of medicine of the University of Pittsburgh will be given by Dr. G. N. Stewart, professor of experimental medicine at Western Reserve University, on April 30. The subject of the lecture will be "Studies on the Adrenal Gland."

The income from an endowment fund provided by Mr. R. B. Mellon, of Pittsburgh, Pa., placed at the disposal of the society for biological research, enables the society annually to invite some eminent investigator in the medical sciences to deliver a lecture before the society. Previous Mellon lectures have been given as follows:

- 1915. PROFESSOR JOHN J. ABEL, professor of pharmacology in Johns Hopkins University. "Experimental and Chemical Studies of the Blood with an Appeal for More Extended Training for the Biological and Medical Investigator."
- 1916. Dr. Theobald Smith, director department of animal pathology, Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, Princeton, N. J. "Certain Aspects of Natural and Acquired Resistance to Tuberculosis and their Bearing on Preventive Measures."
- 1917. PROFESSOR OTTO FOLIN, Hamilton Kuhn professor of biological chemistry, Medical School of Harvard University. "Recent Biochemical Investigations on Blood and Urine; Their Bearing on Clinical and Experimental Medicine."
- 1918. PROFESSOR ROBERT W. LOVETT, John B. and Buckminster Brown professor of orthopedic surgery, Medical School of Harvard University; Major Medical Reserve Corps, U. S. A. "The Problem of Reconstruction and Re-Education of the Disabled Soldier."
- 1920. Major General W. C. Gorgas, U. S. A., late surgeon general, U. S. Army, chairman Yellow Fever Commission, International Health Board. "Yellow Fever, illustrating the Application of Modern Sanitation and Preventive Medicine in the Control of Epidemic Diseases."
- 1921. Dr. Robt. McCarrison, lieutenant-colonel, Indian Medical Service, Pasteur Institute, Coonoor, Madras, India. "Faulty Food in Relation to Gastro-Intestinal Disorder."
- 1922. Sir Thomas Lewis, physician to the staff of the Royal Medical Research Committee and physician and lecturer in cardiac pathology, University College Hospital, London. "Interpretations of the Initial Phases of the Electrocardiogram with Special Reference to the Theory of 'Limited Potential Differences."
- 1923. Dr. David Marine, director of laboratories, Montefiore Hospital, New York City. "The Importance of our Knowledge of Thyroid Physiology."
- 1924. PROFESSOR THOMAS HUNT MORGAN, professor of experimental zoology, Columbia University, New York City. "Human Inheritance."
- 1925. Dr. Frank B. Mallory, pathologist to the Bostom City Hospital. "Hemochromatosis and Chronic Poisoning with Copper."

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