

raise \$3,500,000 for its construction and endowment is now in progress. Completion of the hospital will inaugurate the medical center development, which will be carried out as rapidly as the necessary funds become available.

The architect's plans for the center were drawn by York and Sawyer in consultation with Dr. S. S. Goldwater, a specialist in hospital construction, and a committee of trustees and faculty headed by Dr. Claude A. Burrett, dean and director of the college and hospital.

The plans have been evolved in conjunction with a new five-point educational and research program which consists of increased emphasis upon the training of general practitioners, creation of an educational extension service for active physicians, enlargement of post-graduate facilities, and training of nurses for work in private homes as well as in institutions.

Regarding the research part of the program, Dr. Burrett recently said: "Progress in the control of infections and diseases of childhood has been remarkable and invaluable, but there is need for a concentrated, scientific attack on those diseases of the heart, kidneys and arteries, common among persons in the prime of life. Research at this institution in the future will be directed primarily toward this end."

The total amount of \$19,913,000 necessary will comprise \$8,975,000 for construction and equipment, and \$10,938,000 for endowment.

PROFESSIONAL SALARIES

THE following resolution was passed at the general business session of the tenth annual meeting of the Southwestern Division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, held at Albuquerque, New Mexico, on April 24:

WHEREAS, Such investigations as those of Dr. Peixotto, at the University of California, and of Dr. Henderson and his associates, at Yale University, afford convincing demonstration of the close relation between professional salaries, on the one hand, and standards of research and teaching, on the other; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Southwestern Division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in convention assembled in Albuquerque, New Mexico, April 24, 1929, does hereby urge the increasing attention of Congress, the states and the public to the problem of effective provision for more adequate salaries and facilities for scientific men, whether in the service of private foundation, state or federal government, to the end that the quality of research work may be improved and human welfare more effectively promoted; and, be it further

Resolved, That the Southwestern Division approve the taking of similar statistics in one or more of the state universities of our district to aid the sub-committee of the Committee of One Hundred in carrying forward their investigation; and, be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be sent to SCIENCE, Dr. Rodney H. True, secretary of Committee of One Hundred on Scientific Research, American Association for the Advancement of Science, the permanent secretary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the congressional delegations of Colorado, New Mexico, Arizona and Texas, to Dr. J. Peixotto, University of California, Dr. Yandell Henderson, Yale University, and to the press.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE honorary doctorate of laws was on May 8 conferred by the University of Paris on Professor Albert Einstein. This degree is said to be the first to be awarded since the war to a citizen of Germany.

THE honorary doctorate of science was conferred on Dr. Simon Flexner, director of the laboratories of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, on the occasion of the dedication on May 11 of the new laboratory of anatomy and physiological chemistry of the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Flexner, who was professor of pathology at the University of Pennsylvania from 1899 to 1903, made the principal address.

PUPILS and other friends of Professor William J. Gies have established at Columbia University the William J. Gies Fellowship in Biological Chemistry, the income from which for 1929-30 will be \$1,500. Incumbents of the fellowship will be free to devote their time exclusively to biochemical research of their own selection. Inquiries regarding this fellowship, and applications for appointment to it in 1929-30, should be addressed, before June 30, to the department of biological chemistry.

A SUM of \$10,000 has been given to the School of Tropical Medicine in San Juan, Porto Rico, for the creation of a fellowship fund to be known as the Bailey K. Ashford Fellowship Fund. It is the purpose of the donor that this fund shall be used to support research on problems pertaining to tropical medicine in Porto Rico. In case the funds are not used as a fellowship it is the wish of the donor that they be used as a prize for meritorious work in the field of tropical medicine. The trustees of the University of Porto Rico and representatives from Columbia University have appointed the following committee to administer the fellowship: Dr. Jas. W. Jobling, Dr. Frederick P. Gay, Dr. Bailey K. Ashford, Dr. José Belaval and Dr. Earl B. McKinley.

AT the meeting of the National Research Council, held in Washington last week, Dr. Dayton C. Miller was reelected chairman of the division of physical research. This is the third year that he has held this office.