

The honorary fellowships were conferred upon Professor Dr. Hans von Haber, of Cologne, Germany; Professor Arthur Henry Burgess, of Manchester, England, and Sir Charles Gordon-Watson, of London.

An unanticipated part of the ceremony was the conferring upon Dr. Franklin H. Martin, "father" and director of the American College of Surgeons, of the title of "commendatore" of the Crown of Italy. The decoration was bestowed by Emmanuele Grazzi, Italian Consul General, who said that it was upon the proposal of Premier Benito Mussolini and by order of the King of Italy in recognition of Dr. Martin's services to Italy through the organization of a base hospital during the war. Dr. Martin already holds the Distinguished Service Medal and the Order of St. Michael and St. George from the British government.

Dr. H. H. Ogilvie, of San Antonio, Texas, received the college's annual "Case History Prize Award" of \$500 for the surgeon who keeps the best record of case histories.

On the roster of 647 new fellows of the college, elected from 1,490 applicants, were seven Canadian surgeons, two in Australia, one in China, one in England, one in Guatemala, one in India, two in Mexico, one in Panama and two in Siam.

GOLD MEDALS IN RECOGNITION OF WORK IN YELLOW FEVER

THE *Associated Press* reports that after thirty years the Government of the United States has bestowed the full measure of recognition on the late Dr. Walter Reed and his associates in the war on yellow fever during the years 1900, 1901 and 1902.

The awards voted two years ago by the Congress were dispatched on October 2 to survivors of Dr. Reed's volunteers, and to the heirs of others. At least six of the bestowals, including that for Dr. Reed himself, were posthumous.

They consisted of a gold medal with the name of the recipient on one side and the words "Conquest of Yellow Fever" on the back. Congress also awarded to a number of volunteers pensions of \$125 a month.

In addition to that for Major Reed, the posthumous awards were for the following:

Dr. Aristides Agramonte, who died recently at New Orleans, where he was head of the School of Tropical Medicine of the University of Louisiana.

Major James Carroll, survived by his wife, St. Petersburg, Florida.

Jesse W. Lazear, widow, Berkeley, California.

Edward Weatherwaks, widow, Pompton Lakes, New Jersey.

Warren G. Jernegan, widow, last known address, Charleston, South Carolina.

William H. Dean, address unknown, born in Holland, Ohio, enlisted in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Other medals went to the following:

John H. Andrus, Elmira, New York.

John R. Bullard, Cuba.

A. W. Covington, Cohocton, New York.

Wallace W. Forbes, Minneapolis.

Levey E. Folk, Columbus, Ohio.

Paul Hamann, East Moline, Illinois.

James L. Hanberry, address unknown, born Denmark, South Carolina.

John R. Kissinger, Huntington, Indiana.

John J. Moran, Mexico City.

William Olsen, Los Angeles.

Charles G. Sonntag, Jackson, South Carolina.

Clyde L. West, Toledo.

Dr. R. P. Cooke, Virginia.

Thomas M. England, Washington, D. C.

James Hildebrand, Atlanta.

Those who received pensions also were Hamann, Kissinger, Olsen, Sonntag, West, Hildebrand, Andrus, Covington, Forbes, Folk, Hanberry, England, the widow of Private Weatherwaks, Bullard, Cooke and Moran.

GRANTS OF THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

At a meeting of the council of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences on October 14, the following appropriations were made from the Permanent Science Fund, administered by the academy.

To Dr. Leonard S. Hsu, of the Princeton-Yenching Foundation, \$1,000, to aid in his study of population problems in China and to help in the publication of the results therefrom in English.

To Dr. J. L. Conel, of Boston University Medical School, \$200, to aid in the collection of embryos of the eel.

To Dr. Edgar Altenburg, Rice Institute, Houston, Texas, \$500, for assistance in prosecuting his investigations on the effect of ultra-violet light on the germ plasm of *Drosophila melanogaster*.

The Permanent Science Fund Committee of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences will receive requests for grants in aid of scientific research in the physical sciences, the natural sciences, and the social sciences. There is no restriction as to the type of research for which these grants will be made, but special attention will be given to requests for small sums where the acquisition of such funds will make it possible for investigators to carry out researches in cases where it would be difficult or impossible without some such aid.

The next meeting of the committee will be held on the fourth Tuesday in April, 1932. Requests for grants should be sent to Professor E. M. East, chairman, Bussey Institution, Forest Hills, Massachusetts, by March 15, 1932.