tific demonstrations and exhibits will be presented in the Medical School Building of the University of Rochester.

The Association of Official Seed Analysts of North America will convene on Tuesday morning. A comprehensive program has been arranged with three invited speakers. Excursions to trial grounds and seed establishments in the vicinity of Rochester have been planned to follow the formal program of papers for each day. On Friday morning the entire association will move to the State Experiment Station at Geneva to visit that institution and more particularly the seed testing laboratory and seed control fields there. This day's program will also include round-table and group conferences in the laboratories. Special emphasis and attention is being given to the reports of the various committees, especially those dealing with the revision of rules, legislation and the handbook of seed testing.

## OBITUARY

## ROGER G. PERKINS

THE faculty of the School of Medicine of Western Reserve University has adopted a resolution signed by Drs. Frederick C. Waite, T. Wingate Todd and James A. Doull in memory of the late Roger G. Perkins:

The faculty of the School of Medicine of Western Reserve University records its deep regret at the death of Roger Griswold Perkins, a member of its teaching staff since 1899, and, at the time of his death at Providence, Rhode Island, on March 28, 1936, professor emeritus of hygiene and preventive medicine in this school.

Dr. Perkins brought to his work here a spirit of scholarship and devotion to service, with a catholicity of interests that marks a man of culture. The spirit of scholarship stamped his teaching and the spirit of service imbued his strivings for public welfare.

With willing unselfishness, he carried his share of the burdens of committee work and from June, 1927, to March, 1929, he served as secretary to the faculty.

For the chair of hygiene and preventive medicine established in 1910, Dr. Perkins was the logical choice and this was followed by the creation, for him, of a separate department of hygiene and bacteriology in 1914.

His keen sense of public welfare carried the activities and contributions of his department beyond the walls of the school and beyond its student body to the entire community, and particularly to the public health problems of the City of Cleveland. He succeeded in impressing upon both official and voluntary agencies the scientific and detached point of view of a research worker in public health.

Charming manners, personal dignity, unvarying cheerfulness and tolerance of the opinions of others, marked all his professional relationships and attached him to his colleagues both as a co-worker and as a personal friend.

The members of this faculty, regarding his death as a personal loss, cherish the memory of his services through more than three decades to this school and university.

## **RECENT DEATHS AND MEMORIALS**

DR. HARRY M. KELLY, since 1894 professor of biology at Cornell College, Mount Vernon, Iowa, died on April 10 at the age of sixty-nine years. DR. ALBERT H. Low, chemist, of Denver, member of the firm of Von Schulz and Low, died on April 9 at the age of eighty years.

Dr. F. C. SAUER, assistant professor of zoology at the University of Wichita, Kansas, died on April 16. He was thirty-three years old.

DR. AUSTIN CAREY, of Lake City, Fla., logging engineer of the National Forest Service, died on April 28 at the age of fifty-six years.

DR. ALBERT CARLESS died on April 29 at the age of seventy-three years. He was emeritus professor of surgery at King's College, London, and a fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

*Nature* records the death of Professor James Rice, associate professor of physics in the University of Liverpool and author of books on the theory of relativity, on April 17, aged sixty-two years.

THE death is announced by eable from Zurich of Professor Georg Wiegner, agricultural chemist.

A PORTRAIT of the late Dr. Edgar Fahs Smith, professor of chemistry and provost of the University of Pennsylvania, was formally presented to the new Edgar Fahs Smith Junior High School in York, Pa., on April 29. The portrait, painted by Mrs. Elsa Koenig Nitzsche, depicts Dr. Smith conducting chemical experiments in his laboratory at the university.

AN Associated Press dispatch from Hamburg to The New York Times reports that the names of one hundred and sixty-five roentgenologists who have sacrificed their lives to medical research have been chiseled on a simple sandstone memorial in front of the Roentgen Institute of St. George's Hospital. The honor list includes 46 French, 40 American and 17 German radiologists. Other countries represented are Great Britain, Italy, Hungary, Switzerland, Austria, Denmark, Czechoslovakia, Spain, Belgium, Finland, Russia and Holland.