

### THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF TROPICAL MEDICINE

THE third annual meeting of the American Academy of Tropical Medicine was held in Baltimore, on November 18, with President Richard P. Strong, of the Harvard Medical School, presiding. The academy has no scientific program, since it meets with the American Society of Tropical Medicine. At the annual dinner, at which members of the American Society of Tropical Medicine were guests, Dr. Robert Hegner, of the Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, presided as toastmaster. The guest speaker, Dr. Ernest Muir, was introduced by Perry Burgess, president of the Leonard Wood Memorial. Dr. Muir spoke on "Recent Progress in Tropical Medicine in India." The dinner program was concluded with an address by President Strong.

At the business session of the academy, Dr. Edmund V. Cowdry, professor of cytology at the Washington University Medical School, St. Louis, and Dr. Fred L. Soper, of the Division of International Health of the Rockefeller Foundation, were elected to active membership, and Professor W. A. P. Schüffner, of the School of Tropical Medicine, Amsterdam, was elected to honorary membership. The newly elected officers consist of: *President*, Dr. Wilbur A. Sawyer, Rockefeller Foundation, New York City; *Vice-president*, Dr. F. G. Novy, University of Michigan; *Secretary*, Dr. Ernest Carroll Faust, Tulane University; *Treasurer*, Dr. W. W. Cort, the Johns Hopkins University; *Councillors*, Dr. Herbert C. Clark, Gorgas Memorial Laboratory, Panama City; Dr. Thomas T. Mackie, New York City; Dr. Maurice C. Hall, National Institute of Health, Washington, D. C.; Dr. William H. Talia-

ferro, University of Chicago, and Dr. George C. Shattuck, Harvard Medical School.

ERNEST CARROLL FAUST,  
*Secretary*

### RECENT DEATHS

FRANK P. McKIBBEN, consulting engineer, formerly professor of civil engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Lehigh University and Union College, died on November 27 at the age of sixty-five years.

WILLIAM SAMUEL ROWLAND, chemical engineer, president of the Stanley Chemical Company, died on November 12. He was fifty-five years old.

DR. DAVID JUDSON LINGLE, physiologist, until his retirement in 1925 for thirty-three years a member of the faculty of the University of Chicago, died on November 27 at the age of seventy-three years.

DR. J. M. H. MUNRO died on November 6 at the age of eighty-one years. He was one of the founders in 1880 of the Downton Agricultural College in Wiltshire, England, and lectured on agricultural chemistry there.

*Nature* reports the death of Professor F. Hendrickx, emeritus professor of veterinary medicine in the Belgian Veterinary School, and of Dr. Gustaf Schaack-Sommer, a pioneer in the sugar-beet industry in Great Britain, aged eighty-two years.

EDOUARD GOURSAT, professor of mathematics at the Sorbonne, Paris, and member of the Academy of Sciences, died on November 26 at the age of seventy-eight years.

## SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE John Fritz Gold Medal for 1937 has been awarded to Dr. Arthur Newell Talbot, professor emeritus of municipal and sanitary engineering in the University of Illinois. The medal is awarded for scientific achievement by a board composed of sixteen past presidents of the National Societies of Civil, Mining and Metallurgical, Mechanical and Electrical Engineers.

DR. EDWARD KASNER, professor of mathematics at Columbia University, has been awarded the Townsend Harris Medal of the College of the City of New York.

THE Chadwick Gold Medal and Prize for excellence in municipal engineering and hygiene has been presented to E. A. Drew, of University College, London.

THE Leonard Prize and Medal of the German Colloid Society has been awarded to Dr. Leo Ubbelohde, professor of applied chemistry in the University of Berlin.

A DINNER was held on October 19 in honor of Dr. John Harvey Kellogg, now eighty-four years old, on the completion of sixty years as head of the Battle Creek Sanitarium, Michigan.

HAROLD H. BEVERAGE, research engineer of R. C. A. Communications, Inc., a member of the board of editors of the *R. C. A. Review*, has been elected president of the American Institute of Radio Engineers.

DR. REGINALD FITZ, Wade professor of medicine at the Boston University School of Medicine and director of Evans Memorial Hospital, has been appointed lecturer in the history of medicine at Harvard University Medical School for three years. Dr. Fitz resigned in 1935 as associate professor of medicine at the medical school to go to Boston University.

DR. PAUL E. FIELDS, of Maryville College, Tenn.,