

which has been published in his honor, a "McClung Model" research microscope and a book of greetings. His portrait was unveiled and presented to the university.

The book of greetings was bound by hand in a hand-tooled leather cover and had an illuminated frontispiece bearing the inscription: "Greetings and Felicitations to Clarence Erwin McClung from Those Who Consider it a Privilege to Know Him as Teacher, Colleague and Friend." It contained more than two hundred letters sent from all parts of this country and from South America, Japan, China, India, South Africa and various European countries.

In his response Dr. McClung spoke briefly and feelingly of his appreciation of the sentiments and events of the evening.

## RECENT DEATHS

JOANNES GREGORIUS DUSSER DE BARENNE, since 1930 Sterling professor of physiology at Yale University, died on June 9 at the age of fifty-five years.

DR. DAVID RIESMAN, professor of the history of medicine in the Graduate School of Medicine of the University of Pennsylvania, died on June 3, at the age of seventy-three years. He had been connected with the medical school since 1897.

DR. WILLIAM E. HARPER, director of the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory at Victoria, B. C., died on June 4. Dr. Harper was sixty-two years old.

DR. C. L. BOULENGER, professor of zoology at Bedford College, University of London, died on May 19 at the age of fifty-five years.

## SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE honorary degrees conferred by the Johns Hopkins University at its commencement on June 4 included the doctorate of laws on Dr. Vannevar Bush, president of the Carnegie Institution of Washington, and on Dr. Edwin Grant Conklin, executive vice-president of the American Philosophical Society and professor emeritus of zoology at Princeton University. Dr. Isaiah Bowman, president of the university, delivered the commencement address.

DR. CHARLES F. KETTERING, president of the General Motors Research Corporation, was prevented by work for the War Defense Board from being present to receive the honorary degree of doctor of science at the commencement exercises on June 9 of Rutgers University.

THE doctorate of science was conferred on Jason John Nassau, professor of astronomy and director of the Warner and Swasey Observatory of the Case School of Applied Science at Cleveland, at the commencement of Syracuse University. Owen D. Young, honorary chairman of the board of directors of the General Electric Company, who made the commencement address, received the degree of doctor of laws.

DR. LUTHER P. EISENHART, professor of mathematics and dean of the Graduate School of Princeton University, received the doctorate of laws from Duke University on June 3.

At the one hundred and fifth commencement of Albion College held on June 3 Harvey Newton Ott, for twenty years president of the Spencer Lens Company, was awarded the honorary degree of doctor of science. The citation by President John L. Seaton read in part as follows: "Leader with another honored Albionian in the development of the great Spencer Lens Company of Buffalo; noted as an inventor of

many mechanical improvements on microscopes; known to laboratory workers everywhere as a highly skilled designer of microtomes and other instruments of precision indispensable in research and the progress of science."

IN recognition of the services that David Sarnoff, president of the Radio Corporation of America, has rendered in the advancement of the science and industry of radio, the president of the French Republic has conferred upon him the decoration of Officer of the Legion of Honor, elevating him from the rank of chevalier which he has held since 1935. The decoration was presented to Mr. Sarnoff on June 6 by the French Consul General in New York, Count Charles de Ferry de Fontnouvelle, in whose office the ceremony took place.

THE 1940 Trudeau Medal of the National Tuberculosis Association has been awarded to Dr. Wm. Charles White for distinguished service in tuberculosis. Dr. White is chairman of the Division of Educational Relations of the National Research Council and consulting pathologist of the United States Public Health Service.

DR. GEORGE W. CORNER, professor of anatomy at the University of Rochester, was presented on June 10 with the first Squibb award of \$1,000 for research in endocrinology at the annual dinner of the Association for the Study of Internal Secretions meeting in New York City. The award was established by E. R. Squibb and Sons.

At the New York meeting of the American Association of Industrial Physicians and Surgeons on May 27, the annual William S. Knudsen award "for outstanding achievement in industrial medicine" was presented in recognition of advances in the knowledge of silicosis resulting from research directed by him to