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FELLOWSHIPS IN THE MEDICAL SCIENCES OF THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL

FELLOWSHIPS in the Medical Sciences, similar to those which have been administered by the Medical Fellowship Board of the National Research Council since 1922, will again be available for the year beginning July 1, 1942. These fellowships, supported by grants from the Rockefeller Foundation to the National Research Council, are designed to provide opportunities for training and experience in research in all branches of medical science. They are open to citizens of the United States or Canada who possess an M.D. or a Ph.D. degree, and are intended for recent graduates who are not yet professionally established.

In addition to these fellowships the Medical Fellowship Board administers two groups of research fellowships, made available through a grant from The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Inc. The first group, open to applicants who hold either the Ph.D. or M.D. degree, is for the purpose of providing opportunities for special training and experience in the study of filtrable viruses. The second group, open only to graduates in medicine who have completed one or more years of hospital experience in clinical surgery and are planning a career in orthopedic surgery, is designed to provide opportunities for training and research in those basic medical sciences which will be of particular value in furthering progress in the field of orthopedic surgery.

Fellows will be appointed at a meeting of the Medical Fellowship Board on February 28, 1942. Applications to receive consideration at this meeting must be filed on or before January 1. Appointments may begin on any date determined by the board.

For further particulars concerning these fellowships, address the Secretary of the Medical Fellowship Board, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Avenue, Washington, D. C.

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS

ACCORDING to a statement made by the U. S. Civil Service Commission, there still exists an acute shortage of explosives chemists, physicists and chemical engineers available for government work. Salaries in these positions range from \$2,600 to \$5,600 a year. For all of them appropriate college study and experience are required. The age limit has been raised to sixty years for regular probational appointment. Provision is also made for the waiver of age and physical requirements for temporary positions connected with the National Defense program.

A staff of investigators is maintained by the Material Division of the Air Corps to protect military information and air corps projects. These positions pay from \$3,200 to \$4,600 a year. To establish employment lists of investigators from which the War Department will make appointments, the Civil Service Commission has announced an examination. No written test will be given, but applicants will be rated on their education and experience.

A sufficient number of persons did not apply for the radio mechanic-technician positions announced by the Civil Service Commission on September 8. Accordingly, the announcement has been amended to make it "open continuous"—that is, applications will now be accepted until further notice; to add the position of chief radio mechanic-technician at \$2,600 a year; to modify the experience requirements, and to provide for the substitution of education for part of the experience.

The constant and increasing need for skilled industrial workers for National Defense is resulting in a diminishing labor supply. A partial answer to this problem is the apprenticeship program. In connection with this, the Apprenticeship Section of the Division of Labor Standards, Department of Labor, is planning to appoint about 200 field representatives who will be stationed throughout the country. The eligible register established as a result of an examination for field representative announced in October, 1940, is practically depleted; the commission therefore has found it necessary to announce another examination to fill these positions.

Full particulars in regard to the positions given above can be obtained by writing to the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

AWARD OF THE CHARLES P. DALY GOLD MEDAL OF THE AMERICAN GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

THE Charles P. Daly Medal for 1941 of the American Geographical Society was presented on November 21 to Dr. Julio Garzón Nieto, chief of the Office of Longitudes and Frontiers of the Colombian Ministry of Foreign Relations, in Bogotá. The ceremony took place at a banquet tendered by the Rotary Club of Bogotá and honored by the presence of the President of Colombia, the Minister of Foreign Relations and many personages prominent in social and scientific circles in Bogotá. The ceremonies were initiated by the reading of numerous congratulatory telegrams, and a medal of honor, especially created for the occasion, was presented to Dr. Garzón Nieto by Dr. Luis Lobo Guerrero.

Presentation of the medal was then made by the American Ambassador, the Honorable Spruille Braden. In his address Dr. Braden pointed out that for