

*eutheneo* (Demosthenes, Aristotle, Herodotus) and *euthenia* (Herodotus).

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#### NORWEGIAN MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF GÖTEBORG

It may interest readers of *SCIENCE* to hear that a petition subscribed by practically all members of the R. Society of Göteborg resident in the city has been presented to the Swedish minister for foreign affairs asking him to intervene in favor of three Norwegian members of the R. Society who have been illegally imprisoned and subjected to severe treatment by the present authorities in Norway. The following is a translation from the Swedish original, which carried the signatures of fifty-two members:

To his Excellency the Minister for Foreign Affairs:

Three foreign members of the Royal Society of Science and Letters of Göteborg, *viz.*, the principal of the University of Oslo, Didrik Arup Seip, and the professors of the same university, Anton Wilhelm Brögger and Francis Bull, have already for a considerable time been deprived of their liberty. They are known to us as eminent scientists and scholars and are citizens beyond reproach. As far as we know none of them has been convicted of any crime against the laws of their country by a legal court of justice or even been accused of any criminal offence.

To all of us their fate has given great pain. The fact that Professor Seip, for reasons unknown to us, has been subjected to a treatment of inhuman cruelty has further increased our anxiety on their behalf.

We subscribed members of the Royal Society resident in Göteborg herewith apply to your Excellency with the request that everything in your power shall be done in order to set our fellow members at liberty and enable them to resume their studies and research.

It is greatly to be feared that any action taken by the Swedish government according to the request will be void of effect under present circumstances.

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#### THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA—A CORRECTION

A MISLEADING note as to the situation in the Medical School of the University of Georgia appeared in *SCIENCE* of March 20. This note implies that several of our faculty members have been dismissed for advocating coeducation of negro and white students. None of our faculty has been dismissed and the coeducation question has not been raised on our campus. The regents have given us every possible financial aid and encouragement in living up to the standards set by the American Medical Association. We have done so, and will continue to do so.

Action was taken by the council without investigating the merit of the school or of its graduates. It was apparently based upon the action of a legally constituted board of regents in dismissing administrative officers in schools in other parts of the state. Fortunately, this action does not affect the diplomas of students now in school or those entering before September first. Our dean was told by Dr. Wilbur with the full membership of the council present that no reflection was being cast upon the teaching and research of the school. Unfortunately, this was not made public.

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## QUOTATIONS

#### RUSSIAN INTERCHANGE

WE look forward when the war is over to enjoying happy relations with the Russians and to that vigorous exchange of scientific and artistic thought which is the best part of comradeship, whether between men or nations. In the meantime we are anxious to contribute in every way we can to the strength of their arms and their defences; and for the medical profession the course is plain: we would like to put at their disposal whatever information may be useful, and to find whatever equipment they need.

Something has already been done in both directions by the Anglo-Soviet Medical Committee; the appeal made by Sir Alfred Webb-Johnson, president of the committee, for surgical instruments has met with a good response which he acknowledges on another

page; instruments worth about £3000 have reached him and less than 10 per cent. of these required repair. Those in perfect condition were greased and forwarded at once, while those needing overhaul or replating are being put quickly in order. A subcommittee dealing with medical supplies have been advising Mme. Maisky, wife of the Soviet Ambassador, on the purchase of surgical instruments, x-ray sets, autoclaves and other equipment, and during the past three months seventy large cases of instruments, some weighing a quarter of a ton, have been dispatched. In addition, Sir Philip Manson-Bahr and Mr. G. F. Home are compiling a book for the committee, probably to be called "Reviews of British War Medicine," consisting of articles by recognized authorities. This is being translated into Russian by doctors who have volunteered for the task and will be printed as quickly