

Regents of the college and chairman of the Health and Medical Committee of the Federal Security Agency, and Dr. W. Edward Gallie, of Toronto, president of the college. Surgeons General Magee and McIntire and Colonel Baehr will also speak at the presidential meeting and convocation on the same evening.

The Forum on Fundamental Surgical Problems inaugurated at the 1941 Clinical Congress will be repeated to give the younger men, representing various university departments of surgery, an opportunity to present the important results of their clinical and experimental research work before a large surgical meeting. Heretofore these younger men have seldom been able to present their original work and ideas, since many of them have not yet qualified for membership in the principal surgical societies. The forum will be held on three successive mornings.

The officers-elect of the college who will be inaugurated on November 17 are Dr. Irvin Abell, of Louisville, *President*; Dr. Leland S. McKittrick, of Boston, *First Vice-president*, and Dr. F. Phinizy Calhoun, of Atlanta, *Second Vice-president*.

A large technical exhibition, in which leading manufacturers of surgical instruments and supplies, sutures, dressings, pharmaceuticals, operating room equipment, x-ray apparatus and hospital equipment of all kinds, as well as publishers of medical books, will participate, will be as usual a feature of the congress. It will be housed in the exhibit hall of the Cleveland Public Auditorium.

THE GRADUATE FORTNIGHT OF THE NEW YORK ACADEMY OF MEDICINE

DR. MALCOLM GOODRIDGE, president of the New York Academy of Medicine, inaugurated the 1942 Graduate Fortnight, which opened on October 12, with an address of welcome. He drew attention to the fact that this year's Graduate Fortnight is the fifteenth in the series given annually. He paid tribute to the late Dr. Ludwig Kast, on whose recommenda-

tion and through whose generous support the institution was realized.

Beginning on October 12 and continuing through October 23, physicians from the metropolitan New York area and from many states in the Union met daily at the clinical conferences, pathological demonstrations, round-table discussions and evening sessions to study and review the best procedures for the diagnosis, treatment and prevention of the disorders of the nervous system likely to be experienced by the armed forces and by our industrial and civil population. The program covered not only those physical injuries which may result from violence and from infections, but also those of a purely psychological origin.

An exhibit embracing the most important phases of the problem, to which the leading medical institutions of the country contributed, was on view at the academy.

At the evening sessions twenty-two addresses were given on a variety of subjects ranging from the pathology of injuries to the head and other portions of the nervous system, to the critical evaluation of vitamin therapy in neurology. A hundred and twenty-one clinical sessions providing "bedside" and other conferences were held in eighteen hospitals of Greater New York. Panel discussions covered the subjects of Poliomyelitis, Psychoneuroses of War, the Vitamins in Disorders of the Nervous System and Psychotherapy. A demonstration of the Kenny method of treatment of poliomyelitis was given daily under the direction of Dr. D. W. Gudakunst, medical director of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

The Graduate Fortnight was organized by the Committee on Medical Education of the New York Academy of Medicine, of which Dr. Arthur F. Chace is chairman and Dr. Mahlon Ashford is secretary. Dr. Tracy J. Putnam was chairman of the committee in charge.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE doctorate of laws was conferred by Ursinus College on Dr. William D. Coolidge, vice-president and director of research of the General Electric Company, at the dedication on October 13 of the Pfahler Hall of Science, which was erected at a cost of \$750,000. A portrait of Dr. George E. Pfahler, known for his work on the use of x-rays and radium in medicine, for whom the building is named, was unveiled. Dr. Coolidge gave the Founders' Day address. He spoke on "The Role of Science Institutions in Our Civilization."

A DINNER in honor of Dr. Gustav Egloff is being

given on October 23 by the New York Chapter of the American Institute of Chemists at the Chemists' Club, New York, under the presidency of the chairman, Dr. E. H. Northey. Speakers and their subjects include Dr. Robert J. Moore, "The Personal History of Egloff, the Author"; Colonel George A. Burrell, "Egloff, the Petroleum Expert"; and Dr. Marston T. Bogert, "The Influence of Egloff on the Progress of American Chemistry." The title of Dr. Egloff's address is "The Struggle for Oil and Its Products."

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