

TESTIMONIAL VOLUME FOR DR. GEORGE L. STREETER

DURING the period from 1917 to 1940 Volumes VIII to XXIX of the Contributions to Embryology of the Carnegie Institution of Washington were published under the editorship of Dr. George L. Streeter as part of his duties as director of the department of embryology. With self-effacing devotion, with adherence to the highest standards of technical perfection, and with the capacity to enlist skilled collaboration on the part of scientific contributors, illustrators, printers and engravers and the Office of Publications of the institution, he made this series a veritable treasury of embryological progress. Such, however, is its austere anonymity that nowhere in the twenty-two volumes can be found any mention of its editor by name.

The present staff of the department of embryology, with the approval of the president of the institution, has therefore dedicated Volume XXX, which appeared on December 31, 1942, to Dr. Streeter and has placed his portrait at the head of the volume.

It is a frequent custom, when such an achievement is to be honored, to assemble a testimonial volume or Festschrift of specially written articles. Dr. Streeter's colleagues have deliberately chosen, however, to convey their tribute by means of a regular volume of the series, prepared in the usual course of scientific research, thinking that in this way they best call attention to the fact that the whole series is a testimonial to Dr. Streeter. This particular volume represents, as it happens, workers of ten laboratories on three continents. Most of the investigations were carried out in the Carnegie Embryological Laboratory and all except one made use of its collections or other facilities. It is dedicated to Dr. Streeter in the name not only of the present contributors, but of all those investigators now scattered over the Americas, Europe and Asia—many of them unfortunately inaccessible or distracted by reason of the war—who have worked in this laboratory and published their results under his editorship.

Being a modest man, Dr. Streeter may be embarrassed by the fact that the volume thus dedicated to

him contains an article of his own; but this too may be taken as testimony to his eminence as investigator as well as editor. After the successful completion of his editorship, he remains a valued contributor.

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THE NEW YORK MEETING OF THE AMERICAN PHYSICAL SOCIETY

THE two hundred and fifty-third meeting of the American Physical Society, postponed from December 28–30 on account of the congestion of the railroads during the holiday season, will be held at Columbia University, New York City, on Friday and Saturday, January 22 and 23. It will be designated "the annual meeting of 1942." The American Association of Physics Teachers and the American Society for X-Ray and Electron Diffraction, having likewise deferred their December meetings, will meet with the society. Registration and sessions will be held in the Pupin Physics Laboratories of the university, opening at 9:30 on Friday morning.

The council of the American Physical Society will meet at 8 P.M. on Thursday, January 21. A business meeting will be held on Saturday at 9 A.M., after which President P. W. Bridgman will deliver his presidential address. The annual dinner will be held on Friday evening at 6:15 at the Men's Faculty Club.

The Society for X-Ray and Electron Diffraction is the principal sponsor of the Saturday afternoon session, which will begin at two o'clock with an invited paper by Dr. P. Debye on "Recent Developments in X-Ray and Electron Diffraction." It will be followed by contributed ten-minute papers.

The Association of Physics Teachers will confer its Oersted Medal at 4:30 P.M. on Friday, and its Richtmyer Lecture by Dr. G. F. Hull, on "The New Spirit in American Physics," will be given at 5 P.M.

The annual Sigma Pi Sigma luncheon for members and guests of this organization is scheduled for Friday at 12:15 P.M., also at the Men's Faculty Club.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

SIR HENRY DALE, president of the Royal Society, on December 20 laid a wreath on the grave of Sir Isaac Newton in Westminster Abbey to commemorate the tercentenary of his birth, which fell on Christmas Day.

THE Perkin Medal of the American Section of the Society of Chemical Industry was presented on January 8 to Dr. Robert E. Wilson, president of the Pan American Petroleum and Transport Company, in

recognition of outstanding industrial researches. The medal was presented by Dr. Marston T. Bogert, professor emeritus of chemistry of Columbia University, at a joint meeting of the society, the New York Section of the American Chemical Society, the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, the Electrochemical Society and the Société de Chimie Industrielle.

THE John Jeffries award "for outstanding contributions to the advancement of aeronautics through