land conditions and appraise the effects of war on the forests. Assurances of active cooperation have been given by state forestry departments and other state. regional and federal agencies. Lines of study to be followed include recapitulation of forest and farm woodland surveys-inventory of timber-growing stock and forest lands; ownership and management of forests by federal, state and private classifications—land, timber and other forest values; extent and character of forest drain since 1940; utilization trends, with particular attention to wartime uses and peacetime possibilities; marketing of forest crops; public attitudes toward forest resources and industries; permissible postwar drain—silvicultural, quality and other economic factors; scope and effectiveness of forest legislation with reference to protection, perpetuation and utilization of forest resources; and ownership problems and trends—local and federal taxes.

THE TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB

Dr. Charles Thom, of the Bureau of Plant Industry, U. S. Department of Agriculture, spoke on December 7 before the Torrey Botanical Club. His subject was "A Mycologist Looks at Antibiotics, especially Penicillin." A hundred and fifty members and guests gathered at Columbia University to hear his address.

The annual meeting and banquet were held at the Men's Faculty Club of Columbia University on January 4. Colonel Arthur F. Fischer, known for his flight from the Philippines with several million seeds of high-yielding quinine plants, gave the address. Colonel Fischer was introduced by the retiring president, Dr. William J. Robbins. The following officers were elected to serve in 1944:

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LECTURES ON MEDICAL EDUCATION

A SERIES of six lecture discussions on "The Relation of Medical Education to the Practice of Medicine of the Future" are being held at the New York University College of Medicine on successive Monday evenings at 5 p.m. The first lecture was given on January 17. Representatives of medical foundations, medical and liberal arts colleges, public health services and professional committees are taking part.

Dr. Alan Gregg, medical director of the Rockefeller Foundation, opened the series with a paper entitled "Looking to the Future." Discussion was led by Dr. Walter B. Cannon, of Harvard University, who was recently appointed visiting professor at the New York University College of Medicine, and Dean Willard C. Rappleye, dean of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University.

Lecturers at future meetings will include Dr. Leonard Carmichael, president of Tufts College; Dr. Joseph W. Mountain, assistant surgeon general, U. S. Public Health Service; Dr. Louis Hamman, associate professor of medicine of the School of Medicine of the Johns Hopkins University; Dr. Franz Goldman, associate clinical professor of public health of the School of Medicine of Yale University; and Dr. A. D. Macdonald, dean of the Medical School of the University of Manchester, England.

Discussion leaders will include Dr. Elmer J. Butler, professor of biology, Princeton University; Dr. Harry S. Mustard, director, DeLamar Institute of Public Health; Dr. Michael M. Davis, chairman, Committee on Research in Medical Economics; Dr. Jean A. Curran, president and dean of the Long Island College of Medicine, and Dr. Homer W. Smith, Dr. Henry E. Meleney, Dr. William S. Tillett, Dr. S. Bernard Wortis, Dr. Evan W. Thomas and Dr. R. Keith Cannan, all of the faculty of the New York University College of Medicine.

The sessions will be presided over by Dr. Harry Woodburn Chase, chancellor of the university.

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