

Anatomy and Biology was reorganized in 1905 and took over, among others, the responsible publication of the *Journal of Anatomy*, Gage was chosen a member of the original Wistar Advisory Board and for many years had a part in the formulation of Wistar policies. As an expression of appreciation the forty-eighth volume of the *Journal of Anatomy* was dedicated to him at a dinner in his honor on his eightieth birthday.

As a teacher, Professor Gage was thorough and exceptionally careful that his statements, illustrations and demonstrations were clear and pertinent. His teaching revealed most clearly his characteristics as a man. Throughout his life he exhibited for his work the enthusiasm characteristic of youth; indeed, he never really grew old. Ever appreciative of the importance for science of instruments of precision, he keenly realized that most important of all to perfect was the student of exceptional ability. His advice and encouragement were freely given to students and to colleagues who often consulted him. Many thus came to know him and gained a deep affection for him. Perhaps the most concrete expression of appreciation and affection was the establishment at Cornell University of a graduate fellowship in his honor. The fund for the Simon Henry Gage Fellowship in Animal Biology was first presented to the university at a dinner in honor of Professor Gage on his sixty-fifth birthday and effectively completed by the ninetieth birthday, when he was again feted as dinner guest of his friends and colleagues.

Possibly to the undersigned more than to others has it been granted—through a period of fifty years

as graduate student, assistant, colleague and successor—to know the sterling and lovable character of Professor Gage; his high ideals and earnest desire to help his fellow men which took many forms. Some will look back through the years to words of helpful advice, the hospitality of his home or financial aid in times of stress.

Many mourn his passing, but the memory of his thoughtful kindness remains.

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#### DEATHS AND MEMORIALS

THOMAS MIDGLEY, JR., of Worthington, Ohio, president of the Ethyl Gas Corporation, president of the American Chemical Society, died on November 2 at the age of fifty-five years.

T. M. OLSON, since 1920 professor of dairy husbandry at the State College of South Dakota at Brookings, died on October 25 at the age of sixty years.

DR. ALEXIS CARREL, of Paris, from 1912 to 1939 member of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, died on November 5 at the age of seventy-one years.

THE death is announced of I. Huang, professor of psychology at the National University of Chekiang, Tsunyi, Kweichow, China.

As a tribute to the memory of Stephen Moulton Babcock, who conducted important research in the field of dairying, the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin has voted to place a special plaque of commemoration on his monument.

## SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

### THE WABASH VALLEY SECTION OF THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

THE organization of a new local section of the American Chemical Society composed of chemists of the Wabash Valley has been announced by Dr. Charles L. Parsons, national secretary of the society.

H. V. Fairbanks, assistant professor of chemical and metallurgical engineering at the Rose Polytechnic Institute, has been chosen chairman of the new unit, which has been officially chartered by the council of the society as the Wabash Valley Section, with headquarters in Terre Haute. Other officers are Carl W. Frerichs, works manager of the Crescent Products Company, *vice-chairman*; Esther A. Engle, of the Commercial Solvents Company, *secretary*, and Dr. Richard S. Egly, also of the Commercial Solvents Company, *treasurer*, all of Terre Haute. The section was organized in recognition of the growing importance of Wabash Valley as a chemical area.

The Wabash Valley Section constitutes a professional group of chemists who were formerly enrolled in the Indiana Section and in the section of the society at the University of Illinois. Its territory takes in the counties of Clay, Knox, Parke, Sullivan, Vermillion and Vigo in the State of Indiana, and the counties of Clark, Crawford, Edgar and Lawrence in the State of Illinois. The charter members, all actively identified with the chemical industry and with chemical education, number one hundred and four.

Early in 1943, the Wabash Valley chemists formed the Terre Haute Branch of the Indiana Section under the chairmanship first of A. W. Campbell and later of John M. Geisel. Dr. Jerome Martin, councilor of the Indiana Section, acted as representative of the chemists in obtaining the charter for the new local section, which was granted by the council of the society.

The chemical profession of Wabash Valley includes