

## Scientists in the News

**Thomas B. Magath**, senior consultant in clinical pathology, has retired after 39 years on the staff of the Mayo Clinic. He attended Emory College, James Millikan University, and the University of Illinois.

At the Mayo Clinic, Magath had been head of the bacteriology and parasitology section, chairman of the clinical pathology section, and chairman of the clinical biochemistry section. He was a member of the board of governors from 1948 to 1953. He was known for his research on the fish tapeworm, amebic dysentery, and hydatid disease. He was president of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists in 1938.

**Melvin Kranzberg**, professor of history at Case Institute of Technology, has been appointed secretary and member-at-large of the United States National Committee of the International Union of the History and Philosophy of Science.

**James D. Watson**, associate professor of biochemistry at Harvard University, received the Eli Lilly and Co. award in biological chemistry, on 9 April. The award, which was established to stimulate basic research in the field by young chemists, was presented to Watson for his work in determining the structure of deoxyribonucleic acid, at the 137th national meeting of the American Chemical Society.

**Willice E. Groves**, former chief of the science and engineering division of the U.S. Army Combat Surveillance Agency, has been appointed research engineer in the Willow Run laboratories of the University of Michigan. His initial assignment will be Project Michigan—the research project on battlefield surveillance techniques.

**George R. Rowley**, former instructor of physiology at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University, has joined the staff of the biological research laboratories of Colgate-Palmolive Co., New Brunswick, N.J.

**Donal Sheehan** has been succeeded as dean of the New York University School of Medicine and Post-Graduate Medical School and deputy director of the New York University Medical Center by **S. Bernard Wortis**, for-

mer chairman of the Medical Center's department of psychiatry and neurology. Sheehan will continue as professor and chairman of the Medical School's department of anatomy.

**Hsuan Yeh**, professor of mechanical engineering at the University of Pennsylvania, has been appointed director of the university's new Towne School of Civil and Mechanical Engineering.

**Lawrence H. Baldinger**, will retire next semester as dean of the College of Science at the University of Notre Dame; he will continue as associate dean of the graduate school, professor of chemistry, and counselor to pre-medical students. **Frederick D. Rossini**, Silliman professor of chemistry, head of the department and director of the chemical and petroleum research laboratory at the Carnegie Institute of Technology, will succeed him as dean.

**Israel Kleiner**, professor and chairman of the department of biochemistry at New York Medical College, will retire after the spring term. **Ward Pigman**, associate professor of biochemistry at the Medical College of the University of Alabama, will succeed him.

Two scientists have recently joined the chemical division of Rexall Drug and Chemical Co., Los Angeles, Calif. **Michael Erchak, Jr.**, technical director of the Semet-Solvay petrochemicals division of Allied Chemical Corp., has been named vice president for research and development. **Blaine B. Kuist**, manager of projects for the Fluor Corp., has been appointed vice president for engineering and construction.

**Maj. Frederick H. Rohles, Jr.**, has been named head of the new comparative psychology branch at the Aero-medical Field Laboratory, Alamogordo, N.M. The branch is divided into a research and training section, headed by **Richard E. Belleville**, and an apparatus development section, headed by **Capt. Marvin E. Grunzke**.

**Ralph H. Potts**, technical adviser to the general manager of the Armour Industrial Chemical Co., was awarded the Alton E. Bailey Medal by the North Central Section of the American Oil Chemists Society on 23 March. He developed the first commercial plant for the production of nitriles and amines from fatty acids.

## Recent Deaths

**Daniel S. Cuning**, Averill Park, N.Y.; 67; bronchoscopist (1939–57) and surgeon director of otolaryngology (1940–57) at the Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital; former clinical professor of otolaryngology at New York University; former president of the American Broncho-Esophagological Association; 25 Mar.

**Arthur D. Goldhaft**, Vineland, N.J.; 74; veterinarian and leader in animal husbandry; founder of the Vineland Poultry Laboratory; helped to develop vaccines for Asian influenza in 1937; 2 Apr.

**Emil H. Grubbe**, Chicago, Ill.; 85; first to use x-rays for cancer therapy, in 1896; former head of the department of radiology at Hahnemann Medical College, Chicago; 26 Mar.

**Frank A. Hinners**, Rockville Centre, N.Y.; 66; a founder of the Institute of Radio Engineers; president of Hinners-Galenek Radio Corp.; 4 Apr.

**Robert T. Legge**, Berkeley, Calif.; 87; former professor of hygiene and chairman of the department at the University of California; inaugurated the first student health service in the United States; 21 Mar.

**James R. McCord**, Ocala, Fla.; 75; former chairman of the department of obstetrics and gynecology at Emory University; 26 Mar.

**John R. Murlin**, Spokane, Wash.; 85; professor emeritus of physiology and former director of the department of vital economics at the University of Rochester; editor of the *Journal of Nutrition*, 1928–39; specialist in gastrointestinal physiology; 17 Mar.

**Harold R. Nelson**, Castries, St. Lucia, B.W.I.; 55; manager of the physics department at Batelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio; worked on the manufacture of plutonium for the atomic bomb; 3 Apr.

**John M. Pearce**, Fort Myers, Fla.; 51; professor of pathology in surgery at Cornell University Medical College; 22 Mar.

**Adolf Schulten**, Erlangen, Germany; 89; archeologist; discovered ancient sites of Iberian civilization, including Numantia, the Iberian stronghold during the Roman conquests; 22 Mar.

**Frederick Stern**, Bronx, N.Y.; 63; associate clinical professor of neurology at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University; chief of neurology at the New York office of the Veterans Administration; 3 Apr.