ABSTRACTS OF AHA SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS PAPERS DUE JUNE 15

Those wishing to present either papers or scientific exhibits at the 1957 Scientific Sessions of the American Heart Association in Chicago next fall must make application before June 15. The Scientific Sessions are scheduled for October 25-28 at the Hotel Sherman, in conjunction with the 33rd Annual Meeting of the Association.

Papers intended for presentation must be based on original investigation in, or related to, the cardiovascular field. Abstracts must be submitted in triplicate on forms obtainable from the Medical Director of the Association. Abstracts should not exceed 300 words and should contain in summary form the results obtained and the conclusions reached.

Current plans provide for a postgraduate course for practicing physicians as part of the Scientific Sessions. The course will probably last one day.

Space will be available at the Hotel Sherman for scientific and technical exhibits. Applications for space should also be addressed to the AHA Medical Director (44 East 23rd Street, New York 10, N. Y.). Applications will be processed by the Program Committee of the Scientific Council.

DR. EUGENE B. FERRIS APPOINTED MEDICAL DIRECTOR OF AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION

Dr. Eugene B. Ferris, formerly Professor of Medicine and Chairman of the Department of Medicine, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, has been appointed Medical Director of the American Heart Association.

In his new position, Dr. Ferris will plan and direct the medical and scientific programs of the Association.

Before assuming his teaching position in Atlanta in 1952, Dr. Ferris was successively Instructor, Assistant Professor, Associate and full Professor of Medicine at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. The Association's new Medical Director previously served as a Vice President of the American Heart Association, as Chairman of the Medical Advisory Board of the Association's High Blood Pressure Research Council and as member of the Executive Committee of the Association's Scientific Council.

Dr. Ferris' earlier activities included the editorship of the American Journal of Clinical Investigation and the presidencies of the American Society for Clinical Investigation and the American Psychosomatic Society.

Dr. Ferris has been active in basic and clinical medical research throughout his career and has published some 150 scientific papers concerned particularly with the heart and blood vessels, heat regulation of the body, aviation medicine and physiology, and pulmonary physiology.

SUBMIT BLAKESLEE AWARD ENTRIES BY MAY FIRST

May first will be the final date for submitting entries in the annual Howard W. Blakeslee Awards competition of the American Heart Association for outstanding reporting in the field of heart and blood vessel diseases. The Awards Committee of the Association will make its selections from among newspaper and magazine articles, books, radio and television programs and films published or produced between March 1, 1956 and February 28, 1957.

The number of winners to be selected this year will be determined by the judges. Each award carries an honorarium of $500. Presentation will be made at a meeting of the American Heart Association to be held in the fall. Entry blanks and award instructions may be obtained from the Association, 44 East 23rd Street, New York 10, N. Y.

CARDIOVASCULAR RESEARCH TRAINING PROGRAM

A new one-year term of the unique post-gradutae cardiovascular research and training program at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta will start on July 1. It will permit about five postdoctoral students to receive an
intensive training in cardiovascular research under the direct supervision of Dr. William F. Hamilton, President of the American Physiological Society and Professor of Physiology, and Dr. Raymond P. Ahlquist, Professor of Pharmacology.

The program includes classical experiments, use of modern instruments in physiology, pharmacology and surgery, utilization of delicate meters to measure the blood flow and, later on, the carrying out of individual research projects by students either working jointly or with faculty members. It is sponsored by the American Heart Association and the National Heart Institute of the U. S. Public Health Service.

The course is conducted at the Departments of Physiology and Pharmacology, Medical College of Georgia in Augusta. A stipend of $3,800 plus $350 for each dependent and certain expenses will be provided to participants who will be given time to read classical and current research reports.

Inquiries and requests for application forms should be addressed to either of the directors of the program, Dr. W. F. Hamilton or Dr. R. P. Ahlquist at the Medical College of Georgia.

MAY 31 DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACTS FOR THE ARTERIOSCLEROSIS SOCIETY

Abstracts of papers to be presented at the fall meeting of the American Society for the Study of Arteriosclerosis are to be submitted by May 31 in quadruplicate to G. C. Patterson, M.D., 14 Mayfair Drive, London, Ontario, Canada. Abstracts should not exceed 300 words. The Society's next annual meeting will take place at Chicago's Hotel Knickerbocker on November 3-4, 1957.

The Society also announced the death of one of its founders and past presidents, G. Lyman Duff, M.D., Professor of Pathology and Dean, Faculty of Medicine, McGill University, Montreal. In his honor the Society established the Annual George Lyman Duff Lecture.

HEART ASSOCIATIONS IN CALIFORNIA AND OHIO ANNOUNCE FELLOWSHIPS

The San Francisco Heart Association announced the establishment of three senior fellowships of about $6,000 per year to be awarded in 1957. For details write to Arthur L. Bloomfield, M.D., Chairman, Research Committee, San Francisco Heart Association, 604 Mission Street, San Francisco 5, Calif.

The Central Ohio Heart Association is sponsoring a clinical fellowship in cardiovascular diseases to be located in any Central Ohio hospital. The fellowship is for one, two or three years and carries an annual stipend of $5,000 with $500 additional for each dependent child. For further information write to George Morrice, Jr., M.D., President, Scientific Council, Central Ohio Heart Association, 50 East Broad Street, Columbus 15, Ohio.

A research fellowship supported by the San Mateo County (Cal.) Heart Association is available at the Cardiopulmonary Laboratory of the Medical Service, Veterans Hospitals, San Francisco. The fellowship is under the auspices of Stanford University School of Medicine. For further details write to Forrest M. Willett, M.D., Veterans Administration Hospital, Fort Miley, San Francisco.

INTER-AMERICAN MEDICAL CONVENTION MEETS IN APRIL IN PANAMA CITY

The Second Inter-American Medical Convention will convene at the Hotel El Panama, Panama City, Republic of Panama, April 3-5, 1957 under the auspices of the Medical Society of the Isthmian Canal Zone, a chapter of the American Medical Association.

UN STATEMENTS ON EFFECTS OF RADIATION AVAILABLE

The United Nations Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation issued a statement entitled "The Responsibilities of the Medical Profession in the Use of X-Rays and Other Ionizing Radiation." The statement is available in a shorter, less technical and a longer, more technical version from Raymond K. Appleyard, Acting Secretary, Scientific Committee on the Effects of Atomic Radiation, United Nations, New York, N. Y.

The Committee is making efforts, through governments and other interested organizations, to obtain information concerning the
magnitude of the exposures of populations to radiation which result from medical practices.

MEETINGS CALENDAR


March 19: National Advisory Committee of Local Health Departments, Cincinnati. Miss Martha Luginbuhl, National Advisory Committee, 1790 Broadway, New York, N. Y.


March 25–28: American Academy of General Practice, St. Louis. Mr. Mac F. Cahal, Volker Blvd., Kansas City 12, Mo.

April 3–5: Inter-American Medical Convention, Panama City, Republic of Panama. William T. Bailey, M.D., Gorgas Hospital, Ancon, Panama Canal Zone.


April 15–19: American Society for Experimental Pathology, Chicago. Cyrus C. Erickson, 858 Madison Ave., Memphis 3, Tenn.


April 28–May 2: Society for American Bacteriologists, Detroit, J. W. Bailey, Sterling-Winthrop Research Institute, Rensselaer, N. Y.

May 5: American Federation for Clinical Research, Atlantic City, N. J. William W. Stead, Veterans Hospital, Minneapolis 17, Minn.

May 5–10: National Tuberculosis Association, Kansas City, Mo. Mrs. Morrell DeReign, 1790 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.


May 7–8: Association of American Physicians, Atlantic City, N. J. P. B. Beeson, Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, Conn.


May 15–18: First Wisconsin Conference on Work and the Heart, Milwaukee. Elston L. Belknap, M.D., Marquette University School of Medicine, 561 N. 15th St., Milwaukee 3, Wis. (By invitation.)


June 1: American Academy of Tuberculosis Physicians, New York. Oscar S. Levin, P. O. Box 7011, Denver 6, Colo.


ABROAD

April 10–11: Third Congress of the Israel Heart Society, Jerusalem. Dr. Karl Braun, Hadassah University Hospital, Jerusalem, P. O. B. 499.


June 23–28: International Congress on Rheumatic Diseases, Toronto, Ont. International Congress on Rheumatic Diseases, P.O. Box 237, Terminal “A”, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

July 14–19: International Gerontological Congress, Merano-Bolzano, Italy. Segreteria, Quarto Congresso Internazionale de Gerontologia, Viale Morgagni 85, Firenze, Italy.


September 14–21, 1958: Third World Congress of Cardiology, Brussels. Dr. F. Van Dooren, 80 Rue Mercelis, Brussels, Belgium.
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