

ASSOCIATION NEWS

THE TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING

The June 1952 meeting of the American Diabetes Association in Chicago was the largest and most successful in its history. Members who registered numbered 325, a greater number than ever before. There were 102 guests, for a total of 427 registrants. Of these, 267 attended the Annual Banquet.

In addition, 38 physicians who attended the meeting as guests of the Association indicated their interest in becoming members. Inasmuch as the strength of our Association resides in the numbers as well as the quality of its membership, it is highly significant that so many non-member physicians stated that they would like to join the group. It is a sign of our organizational good health.

The panel discussions were particularly popular and successful this year. These discussions were first held during the Eleventh Annual Meeting last year, when three panels were held in succession. This year the three panels met concurrently; despite the fact that this meant that no doctor could attend more than one panel, the registered attendance was 274, a splendid attendance record.

The Banquet Session featured several important and unusually interesting events, including the presidential address by Dr. Arthur R. Colwell, the special award to Professor Charles H. Best, presented by Dr. Joslin, the presentation of the Banting Memorial Medal to Professor R. R. Bensley by Dr. Colwell, and finally the presentation of the Banting Memorial Medal to Dr. Colwell by Dr. Lester J. Palmer, past president.

In all, the Twelfth was unquestionably the best annual meeting the Association has yet held, thanks to the unsparing efforts of the President, and the chairman and members of the Committee on Scientific Programs.

PRIZE OFFERED FOR PAPER ON DIABETES

A prize for a paper on diabetes is offered to *medical students* and *interns* by the American Diabetes Association.

Candidates may select any subject related to diabetes. The paper can be a report of original studies, a biographical or historical note, a case report with suitable comment, or a review of the literature.

Manuscripts must be submitted on or before April 1, 1953. A prize will be awarded to the writer of the paper that is judged best by the Editorial Board of *DIABETES: The Journal of the American Diabetes Association*, taking into consideration the value of the material and the method of presentation.

For additional information, write to *DIABETES*, American Diabetes Association, Inc., 11 West 42nd Street, New York 36, N. Y.

POSTGRADUATE COURSE IN DIABETES AND BASIC METABOLIC PROBLEMS

The first formal postgraduate course ever conducted independently by the American Diabetes Association is to be given January 19, 20, and 21, 1953 at Toronto, Canada, according to plans developed by the Association's Committee on Postgraduate Education, of which Edward L. Bortz, M.D., is Chairman. The course will be held both for members of the Association and also for other members of the medical profession.

Charles H. Best, M.D., Director of the Banting and Best Department of Medical Research and the Department of Physiology at the University of Toronto will be the Director of the Course. Associated with him will be other members of the staff of the University

of Toronto. Ray F. Farquharson, M.D., Professor of Medicine, will be Clinical Director, and Andrew L. Chute, M.D., Professor Pediatrics, will be Associate Clinical Director.

The course is open to physicians interested in advanced study of clinical medicine and basic medical sciences related to diabetes. Details about the course can be secured from the National Office of the American Diabetes Association, Inc., 11 West 42nd Street, New York 36, New York.

FIRST INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS INTERNATIONAL DIABETES FEDERATION

At the time of going to press, the National Office had word that 26 Americans and Canadians had attended the above-mentioned Congress at Leiden, The Netherlands, July 7 to 12. At least eight of these men read papers at the scientific sessions.

As previously announced, part of the program dealt with the social and economic problems of the diabetic, including such subjects as education of the diabetic patient, quack medicines, travelling difficulties, and so forth. Among scientific papers read were reports on this country's Diabetes Detection and Education programs.

Further details on the papers and on the Congress itself will appear in a future issue of *DIABETES*.

REQUESTS FOR RESEARCH GRANTS

According to the National Institutes of Health of the U. S. Public Health Service, applications for Federal medical research grants this year are higher than ever before in the history of the grants program. Applications for a total of \$16,084,072 were presented to the Institutes during the early part of the year, with more

coming in. For grants from the Institute for Arthritis and Metabolic Diseases alone, 97 applications involving requests for \$1,077,139, have been received.

Action on these applications by the Advisory Councils of the National Institutes will not be announced until mid-August.

OBITUARY

James A. Bradley, M.D., of St. Petersburg, Florida, member of the American Diabetes Association since August 1941, died April 16, 1952, at the age of 52. He was on a vacation cruise to the Virgin Islands when he died, having recently retired from practice because of ill health.

Dr. Bradley was a native of Jacksonville, but attended schools in Florence, South Carolina. He obtained his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine in 1927, and in 1929 was chief resident physician at Babies' Hospital in Philadelphia. Thereafter he served as assistant professor of medicine at the medical school of the University of Texas in Galveston; for one year as a medical missionary in India; and finally as Assistant Professor of Medicine at Louisiana State University Medical Center in New Orleans. Then in 1935 he took up private practice in Florence, moving in 1939 to St. Petersburg, where he remained till the end of his life.

During the war Dr. Bradley was a lieutenant commander for two years, and for one year of that time was stationed at a base hospital in Trinidad. He was a member of the American College of Physicians, The American Board of Internal Medicine, the American Medical Society, and at the time of his death was affiliated with the Mound Park Hospital.