
NEWS AND VIEWS

It is of more than passing interest to readers of *BLOOD*, that on June 24, 1957, at the 500th Anniversary Commemoration and graduation exercises of the University of Freiberg, Germany, our publisher, Henry M. Stratton of New York City was awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Medicine. He is the first layman from the U. S. A. to receive such an award in the history of this famous University.

Henry M. Stratton was educated in Vienna. His interest in medical research and medicine was stimulated by an uncle, who was a physician in Vienna. A pioneer in the field of medical publishing for more than thirty-five years, Dr. Stratton has contributed importantly to the dissemination of original medical research and to the documenting of outstanding clinical medicine.

BLOOD, which was founded in 1946, is the first journal in the English language dedicated to the field of the blood. The success of this publication led to the inauguration of others under the Grune & Stratton imprimatur: *CIRCULATION*, *CIRCULATION RESEARCH*, *CLINICAL RESEARCH PROCEEDINGS*, and *METABOLISM*. Since *BLOOD* was founded, *BLUT* and *SANGRE* have appeared, in Germany and Spain respectively.

Dr. Stratton is the active and very dynamic head of Grune & Stratton. Over 300 widely read books on medical subjects—among them outstanding volumes in the fields of roentgenology, hematology, cardiology, and psychiatry—have been published by his firm.

In 1956, he established the Henry M. and Lillian Stratton Foundation with the aim of supporting medical research in the field of hematology as well as to facilitate the efforts of outstanding students dedicated to research in the field. Also instituted in 1956 was the Henry M. Stratton Lectureship at the International Congress of Hematology. He has had a special interest in hematology for many years and was one of the prime moving spirits in the foundation of the Blood Club and, more recently, of the American Society of Hematology. He was the first medical publisher to use Interlingua for summaries of articles in his periodicals and today it is in wide use for international communication in scientific journals and at congresses.

It is a pleasure to congratulate Dr. Henry M. Stratton, medical publisher extraordinary, on the occasion of this happy event.

FRANK L. CHANCE FELLOWSHIPS IN HEMATOLOGY

Fellowships in Hematology are being offered at the City of Hope Medical Center. Known as the Frank L. Chance Fellowships, they were established as a memorial to the great baseball star who was a member of the immortal Tinker to Evers to Chance infield combination.

These Fellowships are intended to provide an unusual opportunity to study and manage a large number of patients with various blood dyscrasias, with particular emphasis being placed on leukemias and lymphomas. Candidates must be graduates of recognized AMA approved medical schools and preference will be given to those who have completed or are in the process of completing two years of post-graduate training in medicine. The Fellowships will be for a period of one year and may be renewed for a second year. The minimum salary stipend is \$4800, depending on previous training. Maintenance will also be provided. Correspondence should be addressed to Edward Shanbrom, M.D., City of Hope Medical Center, Duarte, California.

SITUATIONS OPEN

The following openings for hematologists, generally of the junior type, have recently come to our attention; please address correspondence to the doctors listed below:

Mount Sinai Hospital, Chicago: Dr. I. Davidsohn.

Los Angeles Veterans Hospital, Los Angeles: Dr. Leo Fredd.

General Hospital (formerly Gallinger Hospital), Washington, D. C.: Dr. J. F. Fazekas.
University of Puerto Rico School of Medicine, San Juan: Dr. José Oliver Gonzalez.

The Journal is anxious to cooperate in placing hematologists and Fellows in Hematology, and would be glad to publish both "Help Wanted" and "Situations Wanted" notices in the News and Views columns without charge.

BOOK REVIEW

SOME MILESTONES IN THE HISTORY OF HEMATOLOGY. *Camille Dreyfus*. New York and London, Grune & Stratton, 1957. 87 pp., \$4.50.

Dr. Dreyfus of Paris, well known to us from his days with us in Boston many years ago, has written a delightful series of essays dealing with the history of the blood. They show an enormous erudition, a profound sense of the importance of the historical approach, and yet a Gallic lightness which makes for easy reading.

The first essay, "A Glance at the History of the Blood" takes us from the ancient writings of the Bible and the Aeneid to those great days in Paris when such giants as Chauffard, Widal, and Hayem were at the forefront of the stage. "Chronic Hemolytic Jaundice," the early history of leukemia and of "plethora vera" are discussed. Fittingly, the book closes with a brilliant essay on "le grand maitre," Georges Hayem. In more ways than one this remarkable man, who lived to be 94 years of age, was the father of hematology. His book "Du Sang" (1898) was a classic, in many ways ahead of its time. There, for example, we find some remarkable early descriptions of the hematology of purpura. As Dreyfus says, "The work of Georges Hayem dominates from a great height." But Hayem knew that his work and his teachings, good as they were, were by no means the last word. "The excursion is far from completed. To teach medicine in our day is to continue one's education. Isn't that what constitutes the incomparable charm of our profession?"

This charming little volume deserves a place on every hematologist's book shelf, or perhaps better, his night table, where he may refresh himself with a dip now and then in the historical reviews of the past, so far removed from the very high and often dry peaks of modern scientific hematology.—*William Dameshek*.