

M. Pollack, M.D.; and "Diabetic Coma," by Maurice Brueger, M.D.

In April, the Section on Metabolism, Medical Society of New Jersey, will present: "The Problem of Obesity," by Garfield G. Duncan, M.D.; "Insulin in Clinical Medicine," by William A. Nyiri, M.D.; "Extrapaneatic Diabetes," by Herbert S. Kupperman, M.D.; and "Hepatic Coma in Portal Cirrhosis," by Victor A. Bressler, M.D. The Clinical Society of the New Jersey Diabetes Association has been invited to attend the luncheon of the Section on Metabolism of the Medical Society of New Jersey April 20, after the meeting of that Section at the Ambassador Hotel in Atlantic City.

The NEW YORK DIABETES ASSOCIATION observed the twentieth year of its founding on December 26. Appropriate ceremonies for celebrating this event will be held in the Spring to coincide with the annual fund-raising campaign.

At the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the New York Diabetes Association, the Camp NYDA medal was awarded to Fred Allen, Ham Fisher, and William Talbert in recognition of their services for the diabetic children of the greater New York area.

The Clinical Society of the New York Diabetes Association and The New York Academy of Medicine Section on Medicine will hold a combined meeting March 15, 1955, at the New York Academy of Medicine Building, New York City. Joseph P. Hoet, M.D., will speak on "The Diabetogenic Action of Pregnancy." Discussion will include Alfred E. Fischer, M.D., and Hugh L. C. Wilkerson, M.D. Chairman of the Section on Medicine is Edward Tolstoi, M.D., and Secretary, Charles A. Poindexter, M.D. Chairman of the Clinical Society of the New York Diabetes Association is Murray M. Levites, M.D., and Secretary-Treasurer, Lawrence E. Hinkle, Jr., M.D. Irving Graef, M.D., is Chairman of the Committee on Professional Education.

## News Notes

### First Annual McLester Award

Grace Bulman, Director, Dietetic Service, of the Veterans Administration, was chosen to receive the first annual James Somerville McLester Award "for distinguished service in the field of applied nutrition and dietetics." She received a bronze plaque and a \$500 prize for her long years of outstanding service and accomplishment

in the dietary care and nutritional betterment of the hundreds of thousands of Army, Navy, Marine, and Coast Guard veterans, who are patients in the 172 Veterans Administration Hospitals she serves.

The McLester Award honors the memory of the late Col. James Somerville McLester, a former President of the American Medical Association and leading authority in the science of nutrition and metabolism. Sponsor of the award is Chas. Pfizer & Co., Inc., of Brooklyn, N. Y.

### 1955 National Health Forum

The 1955 National Health Forum, to be held March 23 and 24, 1955, at the Hotel Sheraton Astor, New York, N. Y., will concern itself with "Forecasting America's Health," according to A. W. Dent, President of the National Health Council. The 48 national organization members of the Council annually sponsor the Forum. Roscoe P. Kandle, M.D., Deputy Commissioner of the New York City Department of Health, is chairman of the Forum Committee.

Information concerning the program may be obtained from The National Health Council, 1790 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y. The American Diabetes Association is an Active Member of the Council.

### \$10.2 Million Grants Approved for Research

The Public Health Service has announced approval of grants totaling \$10,275,533 for support of 972 medical research projects. Awards were based on recommendations made to Surgeon General Leonard A. Scheele following October-November meetings of the seven national advisory councils to the National Institutes of Health. The sum represents approximately 30 per cent of the \$33.9 million appropriated by Congress for assistance to medical research in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955. Grants for research in arthritis and metabolic diseases amounted to \$98,703 for 107 projects.

### Personals

JERE M. BAUER, M.D., has become Associate Professor of Internal Medicine at the University of Michigan.

JOSEPH T. BEARDWOOD, JR., M.D., Chairman of the Association's Committee on Employment, spoke on "The Problem of Overweight in Industry" at the 19th Annual Meeting of the Industrial Hygiene Foundation, November 17, at the Mellon Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa.