

in the long tenure of its Executive Secretaries. Milton O. Lee was Executive Secretary from 1948 to 1956, and his name is commemorated in the Milton O. Lee Building on the Bethesda campus. Ray Daggs was Executive Secretary from 1956 to 1972 and of course his name is remembered in the annual Daggs Award, which has just been presented. Orr Reynolds has made contributions in many areas but perhaps preeminently in those of the education mission of the Society and recording its history. After consultation with Orr, we have decided to institute an annual Orr Reynolds Award for an article by a member of the Society on some aspect of the history of physiology including the American Physiological Society. The article will be published in one of the Society journals after appropriate peer review, and the award will be given annually at the Spring Business Meeting at the same time as the Daggs Award. If the Program Committee and the recipient wish, an oral presentation will be made at one of the Spring or Fall meetings at the beginning of an appropriate scientific session. The fact that the award article will be published in one of the Society journals means that it will continue to remind us of the contributions made by Orr Reynolds.

We were honored to learn that President Ronald Reagan had written a letter to Orr Reynolds on the occasion of his retirement as Executive Secretary. The letter is reproduced on p. 138 of this issue and is eloquent testimony of the regard in which Orr is held in high places.

In addition, on behalf of the Council and the Society as a whole, I am very glad to present Orr with an inscribed sterling silver dish that we hope he will put on his mantelpiece as a reminder of his long association with the Society. The inscription reads:



O.E. Reynolds and J.B. West

To Orr Reynolds, Ph.D., in appreciation of his service to the American Physiological Society, Anaheim, 1985.

Finally, I am very pleased to introduce Dr. Martin Frank who has been selected as the new Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Society, effective 1 July, 1985. Those of us who have had the opportunity of getting to know Dr. Frank are all impressed by his energy and wealth of new ideas. We welcome him in anticipation of his taking up his new position in July.

[At the conclusion of these remarks, Dr. David Bruce Dill, one of the most respected senior members of the Society made a brief statement referring to the Society's great debt to Dr. Reynolds, p. 143.]

John B. West, President

Portrait Gallery of Physiologists

In 1960 the Department of Physiology at the University of Buffalo (now State University of New York at Buffalo) started the custom of taking Polaroid Land camera portraits of distinguished visitors including lecturers invited for our Departmental Seminars. Over the last 25 years the number has grown to about 1,000 portraits. These are mounted on boards as shown in the accompanying photo. Each board contains 52 portraits, and all 20 boards hang in the hallway of the Depart-

ment. Each individual portrait is identified by name, institution, and month and year of visit. A registry is available that allows one to quickly locate the picture of each visitor. A good number of scientists have made repeated visits, and this offers an opportunity for the study of changes in physiognomy with time. Dr. Charles Paganelli looks over the photographs.

Hermann Rahn

