

The Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the
**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF
THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE**

HOTEL CHALFONTE, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.
MONDAY, MAY 2, 1938

In commemoration of the bicentennial of the death of
Hermann Boerhaave



HERMANN BOERHAAVE (1668–1738)

(From a mezzotint, proof before letters, loaned by Dr. David Riesman)

The "Batavian Hippocrates," supreme clinician of the eighteenth century, as Sydenham, the "English Hippocrates," was of the seventeenth. In Haller's words, "communis totius Europae praeceptor," he was said to have received without delay a letter from China addressed "To the Illustrissimus Boerhaave in Europe." Establisher at Leyden of bedside teaching in Northern Europe, he has a special interest for Americans through his influence on the University of Edinburgh, whence his methods were brought to this country by Morgan, Shippen, Rush, Bard, and other American pioneers in medical education.

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Program

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Gold Room

MONDAY, MAY 2, 1938. SESSIONS AT 2 AND 7 P. M.
(Daylight Saving Time)

DR. WALTER R. STEINER, Presiding

AFTERNOON SESSION AT 2 P. M.

- DR. NORMAN B. GWYN: "Letters of Osler's Teacher Johnson to James Bovell Johnson—Instructions from a Devoted Father to an Unresponsive Son."
DR. HENRY E. SIGERIST: "Hermann Boerhaave (1668–1738)."
DR. JAMES B. HERRICK: "Robert Adams, Surgeon, and his Contribution to Cardiology (1791–1875)."
DR. EDWARD B. KRUMBHAAR: "New Contemporary Documents Bearing on the Death of King Charles ~~2nd~~."
DR. JABEZ H. ELLIOTT: "The Men Behind the First English Dispensatory."

INTERMISSION, 20 MINUTES FOR TEA

- DR. GEORGE H. LATHROPE: "The Influence of Organized Religion on the Development of Medicine."
DR. RUSSELL L. HADEN: "The Origin of the Microscope."
DR. WALTER C. ALVAREZ: "Curious Phases of Medicine in the Middle Ages" (Lantern Slides).
DR. HENRY R. VIETS: "West Riding (1871–1876)."
DR. ERNEST E. IRONS: "The Last Illness of Sir Joshua Reynolds."

DINNER SESSION, GOLD ROOM, CHALFONTE HOTEL, 7 P. M.
(Daylight Saving Time)

- DR. HILTON S. READ: "An Athenian's Essay on Hippocrates."
DR. WALTER R. STEINER: "Louis and his Famous American Pupils."
DR. REGINALD FITZ: "The Case of the Forsaken Pamphlet."

Ladies and non-members cordially invited to each session
Dinner tickets obtainable from the Secretary, price, \$2.50

“ . . . that the present and future may learn from the past.”

OTHER ANNIVERSARIES

- 1538 Vesalius published his “*Tabulae Anatomicae Sex.*”
- 1638 Birth of Nicolaus Steno or Niels Stensen (Professor of Anatomy at Copenhagen).
Birth of Heinrich Meibom (Described the conjunctival glands in 1666).
Birth of Frederik Ruysch (Professor of Anatomy at Amsterdam). He popularized Swammerdam’s innovation in anatomic injections of wax.
- 1738 Lieberkühn, discoverer of the intestinal glands, invented the reflector microscope.
Frederick Hoffmann, of Halle, investigates fever. (“He had a clear conception that pathology is an aspect of physiology.”)
- 1838 The Medical College of Richmond (Virginia) founded.
Johannes Müller published his monumental work on tumors.
Ricord established the separate identities of syphilis and gonorrhoea.
Birth of John Shaw Billings.
Birth of George Miller Sternberg.
- 1888 Pasteur Institute founded.
The American Association of Anatomists founded.
Roux and Yersin investigated the toxins of diphtheria.
Chantemesse and Widal introduce prophylactic vaccines against typhoid fever.
Ducrey isolates the bacillus of chancroid.
Weil describes infectious jaundice.
Celli demonstrates fly transmission of typhoid fever.
- 1913 Aschoff and Landau map out the reticulo-endothelial system.
Schick introduces susceptibility test for diphtheria.
Krönig and Gauss introduce morphine and scopolamine anaesthesia.
Workmen’s compensation acts effective in 41 countries.
Coolidge tube introduced.
Potter-Bucky diaphragm introduced.

TO ALL PHYSICIANS AND OTHERS INTERESTED IN MEDICAL HISTORY

YOU are cordially invited to apply for membership in this Association, which recently completed its thirteenth successful year of affiliation with the International Association of the History of Medicine. Membership, \$1.50 annually.

E. J. G. BEARDSLEY, M.D., *Secretary*
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