PERSONALS

Dr. Wade and Dr. Hanks released:—On February 10, 1945 the Army sent Catalina flying boats to Culion for the purpose of evacuating the entire personnel of the Leonard Wood Memorial. This action followed the beheading of Dr. Sampson, one of the Filipino doctors, and since the Japanese had a base near Culion, it was feared it would no longer be safe to leave the Americans in the colony. The big ships came and Dr. H. W. Wade, the Memorial's Medical Director, was notified they would return in two hours to take out Dr. and Mrs. Wade, and Dr. and Mrs. John Hanks and their three children, including a baby girl born October 31, 1943. The evacuees were first taken to Mindoro and after a few days removed to Leyte. Dr. Hanks and his family proceeded to the United States where they are at present. Dr. and Mrs. Wade returned to Culion with supplies of food and medicine. The colony, at the time of its occupation by the Japanese, had a population of about 5,000 patients. This number, according to Dr. Wade, has now been reduced to approximately 1,500. About 1,000 left the island in search of food, and the balance died, their illness aggravated by malnutrition.

Dr. Malcolm Soule, Professor of Bacteriology at the University of Michigan and chairman of the Medical Advisory Board of the Leonard Wood Memorial, again made a trip to South America in December 1944 on behalf of the Division of Health and Sanitation of the Office of Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs. He interviewed candidates for the fellowship program of 1945.

DR. JAMES A. DOULL, Professor of Hygiene and Public Health at Western Reserve University, and Acting Editor of the Journal, returned to his duties in June 1944, on termination of a mission to London on behalf of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration. As a member of an international committee of experts, he assisted in drafting regulations governing the medical and public health procedures involved in the return to their homes of millions of persons displaced by action of the enemy. He was a member also of a similar committee which prepared a revision of the International Sanitary Convention of 1926 and of the International Sanitary Convention for Aerial Navigation of 1933.

Dr. G. H. FAGET, Medical Director, United States Public Health Service and Medical Officer in Charge, United States Marine Hospital, Carville, La., has been appointed a Consultant to the Leonard Wood Memorial.

DR. R. G. COCHRANE has assumed the presidency of the All-India Christian Medical College at Vellore, Madras. He also has been appointed Honorary Director of the Leprosy Campaign in the Madras Presidency, in order that the future leprosy program may be coordinated for the postwar period. He has resigned as Chief Medical Officer of the Lady Willingdon Leprosy Sanatorium, and as Honorary Secretary of the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association. Dr. T. B. M. Sloan has been released from the Army to succeed Dr. Cochrane in both posts. The latter reports a reorganization of the personnel at the Sanatorium: Mr. J. Murray, lately Superintendent of the Cochin State Leprosy Hospital, will conduct business affairs; but the whole will be supervised by Dr. Sloan as administrative head and Medical Superintendent. Dr. Cochrane states, "This is a step in the right direction in the administration of leprosy hospitals in the Madras Presidency."

MR. CLIFFORD McGILVRAY visited the School of Medicine of Western Reserve University and the temporary editorial offices of the Journal on December 7, 1944. Mr. McGilvray is Secretary of the All-India Christian Medical College, and has been responsible for the administration for the past two and a half years. The College is supported by 32 mission boards in various parts of the world. Mr. McGilvray is visiting the United States under the auspices of the American Committee of the College. A leprosy research unit is being planned to be supported by the American and British Missions to Lepers.

DR. JOHN LOWE has succeeded DR. L. E. NAPIER as research worker in tropical medicine and officiating professor at the School of Tropical Medicine, Calcutta, India. His place as research worker in leprosy under the Indian Council of the British Empire Leprosy Relief Association, and as officer in charge of the School's Leprosy Department, has been taken by DR. DHARMENDRA. The latter has worked for several years on leprosy, and his studies of the immunology of leprosy have attracted considerable attention. DR. NAPIER has taken a teaching appointment in tropical medicine at Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana.

SURGEON (R) GEORGE L. FITE, who at present is stationed at the National Institute of Health, will replace Dr. C. G. ECCLES as Chief of the Laboratory at the National Leprosarium, Carville, Louisiana.

MRS. DOROTHY D. MILLER, B.A., (Mt. Holyoke) formerly with the Cleveland branch of the Office of Price Administration, has been appointed Acting Assistant Editor of the JOURNAL. The appointment is on a temporary basis, pending the resumption of editorial duties by Dr. Wade and his associates.