

NOTICE

At the request of Dr. L. G. Goodwin, President, Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, we are pleased to publish the following appeal.

SIR RICKARD CHRISTOPHERS (1873 - 1978)

Memorial Medal Appeal

Sir Rickard Christophers died in 1978, aged 104, after a lifetime spent in the relentless and inspired pursuit of knowledge. From 1898, when he was appointed member of the Malaria Commission of the Royal Society, through the next period of 30 years in India and the following 30 years of work in London and Cambridge, Sir Rickard's contribution to many branches of medical and other sciences was immense. The impact of his studies on malariology and entomology was deep and lasting; his fundamental investigations of the pathology, immunology, epidemiology and control of insect-borne diseases made him a true "complete scientist" of our age.

The Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene has decided to commemorate the life and achievements of Sir Rickard by endowing a medal. The medal is to be awarded triennially for achievement in the field of tropical medicine with particular emphasis on practical work. It will be open to men or women of any nationality. To assist the Society in this endeavour, an appeal fund has been opened.

Donations should be sent to: Sir Rickard Christophers Memorial Appeal, Royal Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, Manson House, 26 Portland Place, London W1N 4EY, England.