Dr. Ernest A. Spiegel, Professor of Experimental and Applied Neurology and Head of the Department of Experimental Neurology at the Temple University School of Medicine in Philadelphia, Pa., has attained, in the midst of his activities and achievements, his 65th birthday on July 24, 1960. While some of his colleagues have elsewhere commemorated this occurrence with a Festschrift, it seems befitting to honor him here in the Journal which, since its inception, he has ably managed as editor.

Dr. E. A. Spiegel, born and educated in Vienna, started out as one of Heinrich Obersteiner's students and has subsequently established his own reputation as one of the world's foremost present-day neuro-
Prolific investigator and writer, he has over 340 publications to his credit. With his collaborator H. T. Wycis and other associates, he inaugurated and developed a new branch of neurosurgery, namely stereotaxic surgery or stereoecephalotomy. Among his many other contributions, his fundamental researches and results concerning the significance of the reticular formation, the labyrinthine functions and connections, the electrothalamogram and the electrocorticogram deserve particular mention. Because of Dr. Spiegel’s unostentatious dedication to his work, and his complete disregard for the pretentious repute so dear to many contemporary scientists, a number of his findings have been noisily rediscovered and exploited by others.

It is the privilege of his two undersigned friends — one as the publisher of Confinia Neurologica, and the other as a fellow neurologist — to felicitate Dr. E. A. Spiegel upon this occasion for his notable contributions to neurological science, and to wish him a long and happy continuation of his fruitful activities.

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