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embolism following an accidental fall on an
icy sidewalk.
Ray was born and grew up in New Jersey. At
an early age his diverse interests were demonstrated
by his musical ability and his
organization of jazz and marching bands that
received wide recognition. He was granted his
MS degree from the University of Kentucky
and his PhD degree from the University of
Massachusetts. It was in Kentucky that his
introduction to comparative virology began
with service in a diagnostic laboratory specializing
in equine viral diseases.
He was initiated into the field of viral oncology
as a graduate student at Massachusetts. Studies
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background required to embark on a long
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at academic institutions, research foundations
and in industry. At the time of his death he
was in the process of establishing his own
biomanagement consulting firm.
In 1963, Ray participated in the 1st International
Symposium on Comparative Leukemia
Research held in Hannover, West Germany.
This initial contact with European
scientists in the field of comparative studies
was followed by his presentation of scientific
papers at Symposia held in Stockholm, Sweden,
and Paris, France. He was appointed
Secretary for the Americas and a World Committee
member in 1967. In 1969 he was elected Chairman of the World Committee and Chairman of the 4th International Symposium. At this time under his direction the World Committee membership was increased and a constitution XIII and bylaws were developed. It was while serving as President at the 5th Symposium in Padova/Venice that the formation of the International Association for Comparative Research on Leukemia and Related Diseases was completed and voted into existence by the participants.

Ray’s zeal and administrative abilities were felt in a number of other organizations ranging from the Leukemia Society of America, where he served as a member and vice-chairman of the Medical Advisory Committee, to the Exchange Club of Cherry Hill, New Jersey. His diversified interests were shown in his parakeet breeding colony, his varied collection of tropical fish, his motorboats and accompanying fishing gear, and in his ponies, dogs and other domestic animals.

Ray’s energy and direction will be sorely missed by the World Committee and the International Association. His ideals will live in the organizations he helped to build, his books and other writings and by his influence on the lives of his associates, both here and abroad.

Edward P. Larkin

Past Secretary General (1969-1971)

Introduction

On behalf of our President, Professor Yohei Jto, I have the honor to open this 7th International Symposium on Comparative Leukemia
Research.

I can only deeply regret that health reasons have prevented the presence of Professor Ito whom we hold in such high esteem, not only as a colleague in research but also as a magnificent host for the 6th symposium.

As you all know we have suffered the loss of our General Secretary and past President, Dr. Ray Dutcher, without whose energy and dedicated work our association would hardly have been what it is today.

Apart from this serious loss, the preparations for this symposium have had to meet the requirements of a rapidly increasing wealth of new information in the various fields covered by our activities. In order to meet as many of these requirements as in any way possible, the preparations for the symposium have been left to a large extent in the hands of the chairmen of the single sessions, so that experts with immediate knowledge of the subjects of the various sessions have been able to send invitations to well-informed research workers, choices which in many cases are most difficult to make. The chairmen have been planned to offer a brief summary of the present situation with regard to the subject of their session, originally proposed by the scientific program committee. The vice-chairman of each session is supposed to end the session by summarizing results presented.

It is hoped that in this way our present symposium may live up to the high standards characteristic for its predecessors.

Johannes Clemmesen

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It is a great pleasure for me tonight to present the Leukemia Society of America’s Robert de Villiers Award to Doctors Gertrude and Werner Henle. The de Villiers Award was established by the Leukemia Society to recognize important
achievements in the fields of leukemia and related diseases. Among the former recipients are; Dr. Ludwik Gross, who is with us tonight, Dr. Jacob Furth, Denis Burkitt, Sir Alexander Haddow, Dr. George Hitchings, Dr. Henry Kaplan and Dr. Howard Skipper.

The de Villiers family established, what is now the Leukemia Society of America, in memory of their son, Robert, for whom the award is named.

Since 1936-37, Gertrude and Werner Henle have been at the University of Pennsylvania’s Children’s Hospital where they created one of the first departments of virology in the United States. And, indeed, Werner Henle became the first professor of virology. Their studies over the years spanned a wide variety of topics from the early studies on the immunological control of fertility which was far in advance of the time for such investigations, to the classical studies on influenza viruses, interference phenomena, and persistent latent infections with myxo- and paramyxoviruses. This work formed the basis for many later studies by other investigators and it will remain one of the major steps in the development of virology.

Gertrude and Werner Henle, with their associates, laid the groundwork for an attenuated live mumps virus vaccine by demonstrating the attenuation of mumps virus during serial passages in cell culture systems which were partially developed in their own laboratories. These studies were not restricted to laboratory investigations but included field work in the early mumps vaccination studies in the United States and other countries. The Doctors Henle participated in and led the early work attempting to isolate the viruses of human hepatitis. Their study of transmission of hepatitis to chimpanzees was one of
the many steps which have ultimately led to

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the identification of hepatitis virus during the
past years.
Last, but not least, they turned to tumor viruses
and, after some work with polyoma
virus, devoted their full attention to the study
of the Epstein-Barr virus. Their studies proved
the causative relationship between EB virus
and infectious mononucleosis. In close collaboration
with Dr. George Klein's, and Dr.
Epstein's laboratories and with others, they
contributed in large measure to our current
knowledge of the association between EBV,
Burkitt's lymphoma and nasopharyngeal carcinoma.
This work must be considered a major contribution
in the study of the pathogenesis of
lymphomas and leukemias. These achievements
have been recognized by the international
scientific community in which both
Gertrude and Werner Henle are held in the
highest esteem and have received many honors
from their colleagues.
In addition to mentioning all these direct
contributions to science, we must stress the
major role played by both Doctors Henle in
training a number of virologists who have
themselves contributed further to the knowledge
of tumor virology, particularly with
respect to lymphomas and leukemias. We
should not forget their never-ending willingness
to share freely their findings with others,
to advise others in their studies, and to help
wherever they could. We admire the humility
with which they have done their studies,
presented their results and served the scientific
community in many ways.
Dr. Werner Henle is a member of the National
Cancer Advisory Board, a member of the
National Academy of Sciences, and has been
a member of Study Sections of the National
Institutes of Health. He also served as a member of the Medical and Scientific Advisory Committee of the Leukemia Society. Dr. Gertrude Henle is a member of an Advisory Committee of the Virus Cancer Program of the National Cancer Institute.

It is a great honor for me, representing the volunteers and Board of Trustees of the Leukemia Society of America, to present to Doctors Gertrude and Werner Henle, the de Villiers Award for outstanding scientific contributions in the field of leukemia and related diseases.

Presentation made by:

Rose Ruth Ellison, MD, Vice President for Medical and Scientific Affairs Leukemia Society of America, Inc.

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1973
Dr. Howard Skipper
Southern Research Institute
Birmingham, Ala., USA

and

Dr. Tomizo Yoshida
University of Tokyo
Tokyo, Japan

1971
Dr. Henry S. Kaplan
Professor of Radiology
Stanford University School of Medicine
Palo Alto, Calif., USA

1970
Dr. Denis P. Burkitt
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1969
Dr. George H. Hitchings
Vice President
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1967
Dr. W. Ray Bryan
Scientific Coordinator in Viral Oncology
National Cancer Institute
National Institutes of Health
Bethesda, MD, USA

1964
Dr. Edwin E. Osgood
Head of the Division of Experimental Medicine
Hematology
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1960
Sir Alexander Haddow
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1958
Dr. Jacob Furth
Professor, Department of Pathology
Columbia University
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1956
Dr. Leon O. Jacobson
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