

There was a talk on sodium versenate, a histological demonstration concerning diabetic retinopathy, an interesting demonstration of twins, a film of an orbital implant, demonstrations of applanation tonometry, electroretinography, and photo-coagulation, and a film on surgical treatment of the updrawn pupil. There was also a film of corneal grafting, a demonstration on genetics, a discussion between the professor and a dermatological colleague, Dr. U. Schnyder, about hyper- and dys-keratosis, a demonstration of the lamellar grafting donor-taking machine, and a visit to the laboratory where breeding experiments on heterochromia in cats are being conducted. On the social side, there was a delightful cocktail party given by Madame Franceschetti and a dinner with the Professor and his colleagues.

There seems no doubt that this tour was an outstanding success from every point of view. Innumerable new techniques were learned, immense interest was taken in the organization of the clinics and ophthalmic services in the two countries, and many good friends were made.

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## OBITUARY

### WILLIAM ZENTMAYER

Readers of this Journal will be sad to learn of the death of Dr. William Zentmayer on March 18, 1958, at the advanced age of 93. Zentmayer was one of the great figures of a previous generation of American ophthalmology; even up to his death he maintained his interest in our specialty, serving on the Editorial Board of the *Archives of Ophthalmology*, which he had joined when it was started in 1929. In America his loss will be sincerely felt: and beyond America his many friends will regret the passing of yet another of the great figures who have contributed much to ophthalmological progress.