

Montreal Man First In Race, Says Scientist

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LONDON, Feb. 15 — Commenting on the discovery affecting the hormone by Dr. Collip of McGill University, Doctor B. P. Wiesner, a young Austrian scientist, who is a member of Professor Crew's group of physiologists at Edinburgh University, says:—"I am not surprised that Dr. Collip has been able to bring the work to this point as he is an able scientist. Professor Crew and I were engaged on this research work for two years. Last year at Boston I explained our discoveries to Dr. Collip and outlined the methods by which many men are working.

"Dr. Collip has been first in the race."

Professor Crew said in an interview with The Star:—"Medical thought has been advancing steadily toward this point. Dr. Wiesner reached it first and now Dr. Collip is reported to have made application of the discovery a practical possibility."

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LONDON, Feb. 15. — (B.U.P.)—The gland secretion discovery of Dr. James B. Collip, chairman of the Department of Biochemistry at McGill University, Montreal, has excited much interest throughout Britain, particularly among medical men, who agree that if the claims made for the new drug can be substantiated, the discovery will be of the greatest value.

Eminent British gynaecologists such as Dr. Comyns Berkeley and Dr. Fairbairn, to whom Dr. Collip's discovery was reported by the British United Press, refuse, however, to make any comment until they are more familiar with the details declaring that it is impossible for them to express an opinion of any value at the present time.

One doctor, whose name cannot be disclosed, says that the full value of the discovery cannot be decided until the prepared hormone has been more fully tried on a human subject. "According to the accounts received," he said to the British United Press, "the new substance should be of great value in the treatment of certain defects to which women are subject."

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DR. WEISNER, according to Professor Crew, is entitled to much credit in connection with Dr. Collip's success.

"I invited him (Dr. Weisner) to come to Edinburgh because I regard him as one of the most promising young men in Europe," said Professor Crew. "He has been engaged on this question for several years, and his discoveries are now proving of great value."

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