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Practianily Nothing That ${ }^{\text {to }}$ Worth
Having Can Be Attained With.
out the Greateat Eftort.

The memorial will be of international character.





 of unknown and uinumbered graves of its work. crs, cannot help but be struck with the present
aspect of Panama, its splendld santitation, tis beautiful cities, thes hine hospptals, and the magnificent
 W. C. Brasted, U. S. N.. (Retired) in the Pau The accomplishment of ths great work and the
sanntary efrorts of the late Willame C. Gorkns, Enite
States army, nnd to his efrorts more than to any Sthier the suceess of this work must be accrealted.
His carlier work in the West Indless and partecularly Cuba, and his later
erorots in Ecuador and Peru, and his projected work $\operatorname{In}$ Arrca give one ne thea of the vast teld would have continued had his iffe been prolonged His reputation has gone forth to all the world
and he is toved and revered in every Terhaps no single life has ever mate possible ao much for the good and well-belng of humanity as Tore, no question as to the desirabeluty of ereerng come memorial which will do honor to the great th this connection, but I feel sure that the estal) 11shment of this memorial, The Institute for Reventive Medelelne, carrying with it not only of pre wail cont monument to his memory, but one that to the wetare of the entre world, would be his Heal of this commemorative efiort. Panama, of the Centran and South Amerfican states, which of fer a splenald field for work of this kind, wout of material for the thastitution which is teelng brought into exststence. The honor for the conception of ths itea and
of bringing it into actual existence must be given owing to hiss efrorts and those associnted with him, such as the Hon. Jo. government in Washington, that a provisional board has been estatilsted to begin and carry on
this work. Deep therest has been evinced tin the
 Immited and hampered by the dearth of material
for such study and research, and on account of the
distance of these tnstitutions from the tropcla
centers.
Panamn offers the Ideal sltuntion in almost ev
ery respect for the successful investigation of the ery respect for the successful nevestigaton of thes
diseases, which have in the past proven to be an
insuperable obstacle to the development of some of the most splendid sections of the earth. What
has been done in Panama proves that hithert has been done in Panama proves hat
unlnhabbtable and undeveloped countres of the
greatest possibulities for successful human habltation, with attendant prosperity and well-beln
in the most attractive and desirable parts of the carth are easilly wilthin our reach if we can apply
in their development the knowledge that will come from this great institution.
Another splendid feature of thls endeavor is its intenity of interest and kindiy intercourse among
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the the humanitarinn leaders of all countrifes, making
for a better and kinder feeling than has been pos. for a better and kisder eeen ha been one merely of
sible where the association has
political and diplomatic relations. As a single poencale of this, it is my belief that nothing will tend to cenent he friendshipo of the American re-
pubilics more than the common Inteess and Inter course brought about by the work of this hastit The proposed memorial will consist of a digntfed and chassic bulding. housing the laboratories
for the work and providing every faclity for the teaching of students from the various countrie
inio may be privileged to undertake work at thi tnstitution, nnd who will carry to their homes the knowledke that when applied will. It is hoped, pro
duce results as splendid as have been produce in Panama itself.
bulldin the er memorial the new Santo Tomas hospital have been offered for use, so that it is hoped that active research
work may beg'n by January 1, 1922. This work is actually in progress now. The study of the plans for the memorial bullding proper is wel
under way, and construction will be begun as soon as these are completed.
The Tropics, which are so prolific in vegetation
every kind, seem equally fertle in the devel opment of all types and kinds of dread disease which tend to make them unsuited and tmpossible of habitation untll careful sanitation makes the
safe, when they become the most desirable. safe, when they become the most desirable, the
most attractive, and most prosperous of abiding places.
It would not be feasible in this short article to direct attention to all the known dilseases that it
would be possible to study in this institution, but among them would be found such as malarla, se low fever, plague, dengue, human trypanosomlasts,
bertherl, pellagra, leprosy, the various helminthle infections, cholera, the varlous mycoses, the mylases, etc. Added to these are many unknown and
undiscovered banes of extatence. whth rematin to
und
 untiring workers, and the proper provisions for
carrying on efrorts of this kind, to discover and
control diseases in a way that never was dreamed

 tes are ready. Almost all the lealling institutions
have expressed an interest in the work and a de
sire to send the best of their research workers to sire to send the best of their research workers
take addantage of the privileges they wil be of
fered at this institution for an endeavor of this It is hoped that many scholarships will be de-
veloped tn the ereat educational thstitutions whilch
will enable deserving young men of till will enable deserving young men of high attain-
ments who wish to make a Iffe work of these sub.
jects to be sent to the Gorgas Memorial Institute for a thoroumh grounding that will enable then
to carry on throughout thetr lives in nil countries the purposes that will mean so much to the well
being and happiness of thelr respective countries It must be remembered that the dangers of troy
tcal diseases are not confined to the Troples alone but on account of world intercourse are constant
ly belng carred to the non-troplcal countries, en
dankering their health and well. belng Win dangering their health and well-beting. With thi
institute at Panama, assoclated as it will be wit the henlth department of the republic and that of
the United States, whose offlcers are stationed in
Panama, the constant flow of persons conne Panama, the constant flow of persons coming fron
the Tropics through the canal to the northern and non-tropical countries will be under most careful
supervislon, and any dangerous element should discovered, and taken care of at this polnt. The
splendid chaid of hospptals already bullt and bulld Ing in Panama. which are the equas of any in the
world, furnish opportunty for the care, Isolation, treatment, and study of any infected persons that
may be found. In view of this practical applicatlon of the work of the institute it is felt that all
countries involved will be interested to assist in the manatenance of the Institution when once ev To my mind one of the important and spectal
departments of the institute will be its library, It is our hope to kather here me most complete and
the finest llbrary on the subjects of tropical and the finest library on the subjects
preventive medicine in the world.
It should be mentioned in this connection that
the headquarters of the provisional board have been established at the Pan American Union, un-
der the personal supervision of the director, Dr.
L. S. Rowe, who is a memier of the provisional board. It is easy for one who has been in Panama
pleture this beautiful and usefuu tnstitution, stan ing upon the shores of the Pacific and surrounded
by the bulldings of the new Santo Tomas hosptel and those of the Panama Exposition, with their
beautliut to reallze how splendid will be the ulttmate result
of these endeavors to perpetuate the Iffe and wirl of these endenvora
of General Gorgas

