

**Horace D. Taft Alumni Medal  
and  
Citation of Merit  
1960 Recipient**



**Linn Fenimore Cooper '17  
1899-1959**

Healer, physician, researcher and descendant of a great American family. His service to his fellow man resulted from intelligent and conscious dedication. After an initial period of internship and private practice, he served during the war in England and upon his return as a Lt. Colonel embarked upon medical research and teaching as an associate professor at Georgetown University. He joined Yale-in-China in 1948 and brought to the people of that country the best of medical learning and our thought. He then attended the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine in preparation for his next service which was in the African interior of what is now called Ghana. In 1957 he went to Borneo where he served as a doctor in a mission until his death there in 1959. His courage and kindness, and the skill of his touch have left an enduring monument in the hearts of thousands far from this scene. He possessed, in addition to his humanitarian qualities, a toughness of spirit, and independence of thought and determined personal faith. Certainly this life, given freely in the service of mankind, under dangerous circumstances, unsung, strengthened by faith and conviction, is in the highest tradition of our School. The alumni are happy to confer upon him the Alumni Citation of Merit.

Presented posthumously and accepted by Henry Cooper '13, brother of Linn Fenimore Cooper '17.