Physician and healer, teacher, soldier, pioneer in the study of acute infectious respiratory disease, holder of the Bronze Star, and expert in English literature of the 16th and 17th centuries. His life is proof that ours is a civilized society and it is such men who make it so. His discoveries in medical research include the establishment of a virus as the cause for the common cold, the discovery of the virus pneumonia, and the testing and use of antibiotics, and his service during World War II in the prevention of epidemics was widely recognized throughout the world as one of the few positive benefits that episode produced. However, this significant concern for bodily affliction has dimmed neither his concern nor his effect upon the minds of men. As professor of medicine at Columbia University he has inspired many and exposed them to exciting thought, expressed with wit, and deepened by a cultural understanding unique in our time. He has ministered unto not only the flesh of his fellow men but to their minds and spirit as well. The alumni of Taft are proud to confer upon you their Citation of Merit.