

**Horace D. Taft Alumni Medal
and
Citation of Merit
1968 Recipient**



**John Mortimer Schiff '21
1904-1987**

Financier, philanthropist, sportsman, and public servant. As senior partner of one of the oldest banking firms on Wall Street, you have carried a distinguished family tradition into its second century. From your days at Taft when you were a summer camp counselor, and later as President of the Boy Scouts of America, you have given your best to enlarge the horizons of boys less privileged than yourself. With degrees from Yale and Oxford, you have maintained an interest in education as a hardworking trustee of New York University. You have been a trustee of Taft, the New York Public Library, and numerous foundations. You have acknowledged that certain men influenced your commitment to public service: your father, your uncle Felix Warburg, "the King," and the warden of New College who became Britain's Minister of Education. At all social levels and in all continents you have a host of friends who testify to your rare gift of loyalty. Your fellow alumni salute you both for your character and for your achievements and take pride in awarding you the Alumni Citation of Merit.