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\* \* \* \* Dallas educator honored  
by West German government.

DALLAS--Dr. Heinz Eichenwald, chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas and an internationally-known expert on child care, has been chosen to receive the Von Humboldt Prize of the West German Republic.

The Dallas educator will travel to Germany in the near future to receive the prize of 72,000 Deutsche marks and to give a series of lectures and participate in a variety of scientific activity.

Dr. Eichenwald was cited for "significant and continuing contributions to Pediatric Infectious Disease" in the announcement of the award. The Von Humboldt Prize is given at various intervals to scientists of various disciplines who have made distinguished contributions.

In addition to his considerable work in infectious diseases, Dr. Eichenwald has been active in international pediatric projects. For a number of years before the take-over by North Vietnam, he worked under auspices of the U.S. State Department to establish a department of pediatrics in the University of Saigon Medical School.

He also has been active in cooperative educational efforts with South American medical institutions. He is an honorary member of the pediatric societies of Colombia, Venezuela, Costa Rica and San Salvador.

It was under Dr. Eichenwald's guidance that the Children and Youth Program was able to reduce infant death and disease in a wide area in West Dallas over a number of years.

"I know of no one who is more dedicated to the highest standards of pediatric care and education than Heinz Eichenwald," commented Dr. Charles C. Sprague, president of the UT Health Science Center.

"Performance of those who have been fortunate enough to study in the educational environment created by Dr. Eichenwald has time and time again proved exceptional," Dr. Sprague added.

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Dr. Eichenwald, who is chief of pediatrics at Parkland Memorial Hospital and chief of staff at Children's Medical Center in Dallas, has served on several committees of the National Academy of Sciences. He has been a member of the editorial board of the Journal of the American Medical Association and has served in various editorial capacities for the journal, "Infectious Disease."

He has been a member of the antimicrobial advisory council of the Food and Drug Administration, a member of the National Child Health and Human Development Council for the National Institutes of Health.

Dr. Eichenwald has served as Vanuxem Lecturer at Princeton University, Teacher's College Lecturer at Columbia University and Richard Bruce Miller Lecturer at Harvard University.

A magna cum laude graduate of Harvard, he earned his M.D. degree from Cornell University Medical College in 1950. He was a Markle Scholar in 1953 and joined Southwestern Medical School in 1964.

Dr. Eichenwald has published a large number of scientific papers in pediatrics, many of them dealing with infectious diseases.

He becomes the fourth faculty member of the UT health science center to receive significant awards from West German organizations in the past few years. Previously, Drs. Joseph Goldstein and Michael Brown were recipients of the Weiland Prize and Dr. Richard Finkelstein was given the Koch award.

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