

GENETICS

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Dr. Barr discussed the history of genetics since its beginnings at the turn of the century. He pointed out the significance of this history and the unifying influence genetics has had in bringing together the various fields of biology. He commented on the future of the science and the ethical, as well as, technical problems

which may have to be faced. He also made a plea for the establishment of departments of genetics in Canadian universities, noting that at present only two universities have such departments. He said that the environment thus created would produce better teaching and better communication among geneticists.