

and an investigator in the Curie Radium Institute, to the support of which she has devoted the money received by her from the Nobel Prize award, as also the money received from other awards.

While in America Madame Curie will be given honorary degrees by several American universities and a medal by a leading scientific society. In addition a group of women in New York and Washington are trying to raise funds sufficient to purchase and present to her, as a gift from the women of America, a gram of radium for use in her experimental work in the Curie Radium Institute. When asked recently in Paris: "What would you most prefer to have in the world?" Madame Curie promptly replied "A gram of radium under my own control."

She has never possessed such an amount of radium for her independent use, nor can she ever afford from her own means to buy it. She lives on the modest stipend received by her for her teaching and research work in the Sorbonne and does not care for more money except to put it into the equipment and support of her laboratory.

If the beautiful idea of making to Madame Curie, on the occasion of her visit here, the gift of a gram of radium in recognition of her achievements in the interests of science and humanity, can be realized, it will be the most fitting and appreciated tribute that can be paid her.

The radium will cost about \$100,000 and contributions, even small sums, are earnestly solicited. If sent to Mrs. Vernon Kellogg, 1701 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington, D. C., they will be receipted and properly accounted for.

THE ROCHESTER MEETING OF THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

THE spring meeting of the American Chemical Society will be held with the Rochester Section, Tuesday, April 26, to Friday, April 29, inclusive. A large and successful meeting is assured as many thousand members of the society are within a night's journey of Rochester and reduced railroad rates have

been secured. A rate of one and one half fare for the round trip journey under the certificate plan has been granted. This is good from all parts of the United States, except New England, and west of Utah, the New England and Transcontinental Association having declined to give rates. The Rochester hotel is the headquarters.

The preliminary program is as follows:

Monday, April 25

- 4.00 P.M.—Council meeting, Rochester Club.
- 6.30 P.M.—Dinner to the council at the Rochester Club.

Tuesday, April 26

- 10.00 A.M.—General meeting, Chamber of Commerce.
- Address of welcome, Hiram Edgerton, and W. Roy McCanne, president of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce.
- Response, Edgar F. Smith, president of the American Chemical Society.
- General addresses, by Senator James W. Wadsworth, Jr., and Congressman Nicholas Longworth.
- 2.00 P.M.—General meeting, Convention Hall.
- Papers, by E. C. Franklin, C. E. K. Mees and others.
- 6.30 P.M.—College and Fraternity dinners.

Wednesday, April 27

- 9.00 A.M.—Divisional meetings, Mechanics Institute.
- 1.30 P.M.—Divisional meetings, Mechanics Institute.
- 8.00 P.M.—Public address, speaker to be announced.

Thursday, April 28

- 9.00 A.M.—Divisional meetings, Mechanics Institute.
- Sigma Xi Luncheon—Hotel Rochester.
- 2.00 P.M.—Divisional meetings, Mechanics Institute.
- 3.00 P.M.—Meeting of chairman and secretaries of local sections.
- 7.00 P.M.—Good-Fellowship meeting, Bausch and Lomb's Dining Hall.

Friday, April 29

- 8.30 A.M.—Excursions.

The following are the addresses of the divisional and sectional secretaries.

Divisions:

Agricultural and Food Chemistry: T. J. Bryan, 4100 Filmore Street, Chicago, Ill.

Biological Chemistry: H. B. Lewis, University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.

Dye Chemistry: R. Norris Shreve, 43 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Industrial and Engineering Chemistry: H. E. Howe, 1701 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C.

Organic Chemistry: H. T. Clarke, Kodak Park, Rochester, N. Y.

Chemistry of Medicinal Products: Edgar B. Carter, 2615 Ashland Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.

Physical and Inorganic Chemistry: S. E. Sheppard, 83 Gorsline Street, Rochester, N. Y.

Rubber Chemistry: Arnold H. Smith, Thermoid Rubber Company, Trenton, N. J.

Water Sewage and Sanitation Chemistry: W. W. Skinner, Bureau of Chemistry, Washington, D. C.

Sections:

Sugar Chemistry: Frederick J. Bates, Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C.

Cellulose Chemistry: G. J. Esselen, Jr., 248 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.

Petroleum Chemistry: W. A. Gruse, Mellon Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The final program will be sent about April 20 to the secretaries of sections, to the council, to members of the Rochester Section, and to all members making special request.

CHARLES L. PARSONS,
Secretary

THE HERTER LECTURESHIP

In November, 1902, Dr. and Mrs. Christian A. Herter, of New York, gave to the Johns Hopkins University the sum of \$25,000 "for the formation of a memorial lectureship designed to promote a more intimate knowledge of the researches of foreign investigators in the realm of medical science." According to the terms of the gift, some eminent worker in physiology or pathology is to be asked each year to deliver a lecture at the Johns Hopkins University upon a subject with which he has been identified.

The selection of the lecturer is made by a committee representing the departments of pathology, physiological chemistry, and clinical medicine, and if "in the judgment of the committee it should ultimately appear desirable to open the proposed lectureship to leaders in medical research in this country there should be no bar to so doing." The committee consists of Drs. MacCallum, Abel and Thayer.

The trustees of the Johns Hopkins University announce that the twelfth course of lectures on this foundation will be given by Dr. Frederick Gowland Hopkins, F.R.S., professor of bio-chemistry and director of the bio-chemical laboratory, Cambridge University. The lectures will be given in the Johns Hopkins Hospital, at 4.30 P.M. on April 12, 13 and 14, the subjects being: (1) "Oxidation and reduction mechanisms in living tissues," (2) "The function of oxygen in muscular activity," and (3) "The outlook in nutritional studies: an appraisalment."

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

Dr. ALBERT EINSTEIN, of the University of Berlin, arrived in the United States on April 2, coming in order to advance the Zionist movement, and the establishment of a University at Jerusalem. Dr. Einstein was accompanied by three other delegates, including Professor Charles Weizmann, who was head of the British Admiralty Chemical Laboratories during the war. There will be a Zionist meeting at the Metropolitan Opera House on April 10. Dr. Einstein's arrival was unexpected and no announcements have been made of scientific lectures.

THE Albert medal of the Royal Society of Arts was presented on March 14 to Professor Albert Michelson, for his discovery of a natural constant which has provided a basis for a standard of length. The award was made last year, but the actual presentation was deferred until Professor Michelson could go to England to receive it.

DAVID CHARLES DAVIES has been appointed director of the Field Museum, Chicago, to