The committee has decided to give a luncheon in honor of Madame Curie at the Hotel Waldorf Astoria on Tuesday, May 17, and invitations have been sent to all the members of these societies living in and around New York. The headquarters of the committee are at The Chemists' Club, 52 East 41st Street, New York.

President Harding has through Mr. Arthur Brisbane subscribed fifty dollars to the Madame Curie Radium Fund. He writes: "I am so anxious about the success of the program to present to this distinguished woman a gram of radium that I would like to have a small part toward making the necessary provision."

## LECTURES BY PROFESSOR EINSTEIN

Although Professor Einstein came to the United States primarily in the interests of the Zionist movement, he is giving scientific lectures at various universities. On April 15, he lectured in German on the theory of relativity at Columbia University, under the auspices of the departments of mathematics, physics, astronomy and philosophy, being introduced by Professor Pupin. Professor Einstein was awarded the Barnard medal by Columbia University last year on the recommendation of the National Academy of Sciences.

On April 18, 19, 20 and 21, Professor Einstein gave four lectures before the College of the City of New York on the following subjects: "The 'special' relativity theory;" "Generalized relativity and gravitation;" "The physical significance of entropy and quanta;" "Light-ether and radiation."

Princeton University has arranged five lectures on the theory of relativity on the afternoons from May 9 to 13, the subject of these lectures, which will be delivered in German, are first and second "Generalities on the theory of relativity," (without going deeply into the mathematical symbolism); third "Special theory of relativity," fourth "General theory of relativity and gravitation," fifth "Cosmological speculations." Scientific men are invited to the lectures. Admission

will be by ticket, application for which should be forwarded to Professor H. D. Thompson, Princeton, N. J.

## SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

The American Philosophical Society is meeting in Philadelphia on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the present week. The evening address is by Professor James H. Breasted, of the University of Chicago. The National Academy of Sciences meets at Washington on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. The Prince of Monaco will make an address in the U. S. National Museum on Monday evening.

Dr. F. B. Jewett, chief engineer of the Western Electric Company and formerly professor of physics and engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has been elected a vice-president and director of the company. He will continue his present work in charge of the technical forces of the telephone manufacturing industry.

DR. WARNER JACKSON MORSE has been appointed director of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station. Since 1906 he has been connected with the Experiment Station, serving as plant pathologist since 1909. Dr. Morse succeeds Charles D. Woods, the circumstances of whose relations to the trustees have been stated in SCIENCE.

The governor of Massachusetts has recommended to the executive council Dr. Richard P. Strong, who holds the chair of tropical medicine at the Harvard Medical School, as a member of the Public Health Council, Boston.

DR. WILLIAM E. MUSGRAVE has resigned as director of the University of California Medical School to accept the secretaryship of the state medical society and will edit the California State Journal of Medicine. Dr. Musgrave will continue his directorship of the Children's Hospital.

Dr. J. T. WILLARD, dean of general science and vice-president of the Kansas State Agricultural College, has been elected president of the Kansas Research Council. Dr. W. A.