

Hygiene had begun work in the previous November, when a telegram of congratulation, announcing that the first lectures had been given, had been sent by the director, Lieutenant-Colonel J. W. D. Megaw, I.M.S., to Sir Leonard Rogers, who played the leading part in the inception and carrying through of this great enterprise. In the *Journal* of April 23, 1910 (p. 1010), the very great advantages which Calcutta offered for the establishment of a school of tropical medicine were pointed out; not only is the variety of clinical cases illustrating tropical diseases unsurpassed, but there is an excellent hospital and medical school, with a highly qualified staff accustomed to teaching, and for the greater part of the year the climate is no drawback. Some eleven years ago the general scheme for the school of tropical medicine was worked out by Sir Leonard Rogers, but its subsequent history has been marked by many delays, not a few of them to be traced to the war; the foundation stone was actually laid by Lord Carmichael, governor of Bengal, in February, 1914. The hospital has accommodation for about 100 patients, European and Indian, while the school has chairs of tropical medicine, pathology and bacteriology, protozoology, pharmacology, serology, public health, and chemistry, to which appointments have already been made; professors of hygiene, entomology, and biochemistry have still to be appointed. In addition, there are assistant professors of the chief subjects, and a number of special research appointments have been made. The nucleus of a reference library has been formed, mainly by gifts from Sir Leonard Rogers. In the report of the director for 1921 it is stated that classes will shortly be opened for the diploma in public health of Calcutta University; classes for the diploma in tropical medicine have already begun. The director considers that the result of the first year's working has entirely removed the doubts and fears which assailed him when he entered on his responsible duties. Considerable progress has also been made in the research laboratories, and reports have been published of work in connection with leprosy and kalazar and filariasis, and on the work of the hookworm laboratory.

#### FIELD WORK OF THE MUSEUM OF ZOOLOGY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

DURING the next fiscal year, which begins on July 1, the Museum of Zoology of the University of Michigan will carry on field work in Michigan, California, Washington, Oregon, North Dakota, Tennessee, Curacao, Panama, Mexico, Brazil and British Guiana.

Fifteen persons will be in the field: Carl L. Hubbs, Norman A. Wood, Lee R. Rice, Mina Winslow, Frederick M. Gaige, Helen T. Gage, Theodore H. Hubbell, and Alexander G. Ruthven, of the museum staff, and Crystal Thompson (Amherst College), Robert Hatt (University of Michigan), Rolland Hussey (Bussey Institution), Horace B. Baker (University of Pennsylvania), Thomas L. Hankinson (Michigan State Normal School), and Jesse Williamson and John Strohm of Bluffton, Indiana.

The work in North Dakota will be done in cooperation with the North Dakota Biological Station, of which Professor R. T. Young is director.

The work in western Brazil is under way and is being directed by Jesse Williamson. The party will remain in the field until sometime next year.

#### BRANCHES OF THE PSYCHOLOGICAL CORPORATION

EXECUTIVE committees for branches of the Psychological Corporation have been organized in several states as follows:

Massachusetts: William McDougall, *chairman*; Herbert S. Langfeld (Harvard University), *secretary*; Edwin G. Boring, W. F. Dearborn, W. R. Miles, Daniel Starch, F. L. Wells.

Pennsylvania: W. V. Bingham, *chairman*; E. K. Strong, Jr. (Carnegie Institute of Technology), *secretary*; Clarence E. Ferree, Francis N. Maxfield, B. V. Moore, J. H. White, Lightner Witmer.

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In addition to the branches that have been definitely established by the psychologists of the states named and approved by the executive committee of the directors of the corporation, other branches are in course of organization.

All members of the American Psychological Association who are interested directly or indirectly in the applications of psychology, as well as other competent psychologists approved by the branches, may be members of the branches. Correspondence in regard to the Psychological Corporation in the states named should be addressed to the secretaries of the executive committees.

#### GEOGRAPHICAL MEETING IN NEW YORK CITY

THE sixth joint meeting of the American Geographical Society and the Association of American Geographers will be held in New York, Friday and Saturday, April 28 and 29. The sessions will be held at the Exhibition Room of the American Geographical Society, Broadway at 156th Street. Professor Harlan H. Barrows, president of the association, will preside at the sessions. The joint meeting will be called to order on Friday morning by Mr. John Greenough, president of the American Geographical Society.

The Belleclaire Hotel, at the corner of Broadway and 77th Street, will be headquarters for association members. The American Geographical Society has again invited the members of the association and invited speakers to be their guests from Thursday afternoon to Saturday noon. Non-members, as always, will be cordially welcomed to all program sessions.

Space in the Exhibition Room has been reserved for an exhibit, by members of the association of new maps and diagrams. Members are urged to send any geographical material they desire to have displayed in advance of the meeting. The noon hour each day gives an opportunity to discuss materials on exhibit,

an opportunity that has proved very helpful in the past.

The society's building can be reached by the uptown subway train marked Broadway and Seventh Avenue Express, Van Cortlandt Park, or Dyckman Street, or 215th Street, from any Broadway station. The 72nd Street subway express station is five blocks south of the hotel; the 79th Street local station is two blocks north. At certain hours change must be made from a local to an express train at 96th Street.

The program is as follows:

#### FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Vilhjalmur Stefansson: Colonizing the lands beyond the treeline.

Alfred H. Brooks: The future of Alaska.

H. N. Whitford: Present and prospective use of tropical lands and tropical forests as illustrated by the Philippines.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Oliver E. Baker: The problem of land utilization and its geographic aspects.

Carl O. Sauer: The problem of the cut-over pine lands of Michigan.

Hugh H. Bennett: The soils of the Southeastern States and their utilization.

#### FRIDAY EVENING

Round Table Conference: Methods and problems in the study of land utilization.

#### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

E. F. Gautier (University of Algiers): Native life in French North Africa.

H. A. Brouwer (Delft Technical Institute): Physical features of the Dutch East Indies.

C. W. Bishop: Geographical factors in the early culture development of Japan.

#### SIGMA XI AT MCGILL UNIVERSITY

THE thirty-sixth chapter of Sigma Xi was installed on April 13 at McGill University, Montreal. This event marks an epoch in the society's progress inasmuch as the McGill chapter is the first one to be established outside the United States. It is expected that there will soon be other petitions from the Dominion, and that Canadian institutions will take an active part in the society's affairs.

The charter membership of the new chapter comprises 41, including representatives of both pure and applied science and medicine. Four of the members are also fellows of the Royal