

THE Ramsay Memorial trustees will at the end of June consider applications for two Ramsay Memorial fellowships for chemical research. One of the fellowships will be limited to candidates educated in Glasgow. The value of the fellowships will be £250 per annum, to which may be added a grant for expenses not exceeding £50 per annum. Full particulars as to the conditions of the award are obtainable from Dr. Walter W. Seton, secretary, Ramsay Memorial Fellowships Trust, University College, London.

THE Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine has awarded the Mary Kingsley medal to the Oswaldo Cruz Institute of Rio de Janeiro in appreciation of the scientific work of the late Dr. Oswaldo Cruz. Dr. Carlos Chagas is the director of the institute now, and the letter accompanying the medal states that the Liverpool school had decided to award this medal "For Devotion to Science" to Dr. Cruz, but was waiting for the close of the war before making any awards. The letter continues: "In the meantime Dr. Cruz had died, and the school now confers the medal on the Oswaldo Cruz Institute as a tribute to the memory of one of the greatest sons of Brazil. As the institute founded by him is destined to be the leading one of the institutions for medical research in tropical America, it is only just that it should receive this token of appreciation."

W. A. CRUSE, secretary of the Petroleum Section of the American Chemical Society, announces that members of the special committee for promotion of research on petroleum in cooperation with Dr. Van H. Manning, director of research for the American Petroleum Institute, are as follows: W. F. Faragher, chairman, Mellon Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa.; R. E. Wilson, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Mass.; R. P. Anderson, United Natural Gas Company, Oil City, Pa.; N. A. C. Smith, Bureau of Mines, Pittsburgh, Pa.; C. E. Waters, Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C.; R. R. Matthews, Roxana Petroleum Company, Wood River, Ill.; E. W. Dean, Standard Oil Company, 26 Broadway, New York, N. Y. At the recent meeting of the American Chemical Society in Birmingham,

the Petroleum Section authorized the appointment of such a committee.

THE Biological Research Institute (Biologische Versuchsanstalt) of the Vienna Academy of Sciences, affords exceptional opportunities for students to pursue investigations in experimental biology on both animals and plants. Research tables may be occupied by properly qualified persons at a monthly rental of \$20. Inquiries should be addressed to the director, Professor Hans Przibram, II. Prater, Vivarium, Vienna, Austria.

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NOTES

MR. E. W. SCRIPPS has established a foundation at Miami University for the study of population in its various aspects, particularly the population of the United States. Dr. Warren S. Thompson, professor of rural sociology at Cornell University, has accepted the appointment as director of the foundation.

DR. SYDNEY WALKER, JR., has provided for a scholarship in the department of physiology of the University of Chicago, to be known as the Sydney Walker III scholarship in physiology, in memory of Dr. Walker's son. It is to be used for the furtherance of research in physiology and provides \$200 a year.

THE inauguration of Dr. Clarence C. Little, formerly of the Cold Spring Harbor Biological Laboratory, as president of the University of Maine, will take place on May 10.

PROFESSOR D. WRIGHT WILSON, Ph.D., professor of physiological chemistry, Johns Hopkins Medical School, Baltimore, has been appointed to fill a similar position at the University of Pennsylvania, to succeed Dr. Alonzo E. Taylor.

DR. ALBERT SCHNEIDER has resigned from the University of Nebraska. He will teach in the summer session of the University of California, and will then go to Portland, where he has accepted a position in North Pacific College and where he will continue his cancer research.