

nearest village and three miles from the nearest farmhouse, the station furnishes a fine experiment in community life. This isolation makes for a minimum of distraction and for concentration of interest upon biological work.

The class period lasts through the working day, thus permitting all-day field trips. Certain classes make two or three day excursions to the sand dunes along the shore of Lake Michigan. The curriculum for this session has been enriched by the addition of new courses and the expansion of some of the old. Courses will be given in ichthyology, limnology, entomology, ornithology (two courses), herpetology and mammalogy, cryptogamic botany, taxonomy of the bryophytes, systematic botany (two courses), ecology and plant anatomy. Students undertaking research under direction will find a wide variety of fields from which to select subjects for investigation. The more than one hundred and twenty-five published papers bearing on the biota of the region attest the interest of former members of the station and the encouragement given research by those in charge.

The teaching staff will include Professor P. S. Welch and Dr. F. N. Blanchard, of the University of Michigan; Professor H. B. Hungerford, of the University of Kansas, and Mr. Francis Harper, of Cornell University, in zoology; Professor J. H. Ehlers, of the University of Michigan; Professor F. C. Gates, of the Kansas State Agricultural College; Professor G. E. Nichols, of Yale University, and Dr. H. A. Gleason, of the New York Botanical Gardens, in botany. Mrs. Margaret T. Gates will serve as dean of women, and Dr. Warren E. Forsythe, of the University Health Service, will be the physician to the biological station. All inquiries should be addressed to the undersigned.

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RUSSIAN EXILED INTELLECTUALS IN BERLIN

THOSE who responded to an appeal made by me through *SCIENCE* some time ago for small sums to make up a total of one thousand dollars to be used for the special relief of approximately one hundred Russian univer-

sity professors and other intellectuals exiled from Russia by the soviet government, and now trying to keep alive in Berlin, where local charity is feeding and lodging them, but is unable to do more, will be interested in news of what is being done with the money put into my hands.

The total amounted to a little more than twelve hundred dollars. This was sent to Berlin to be carefully distributed by a special small Russian committee, overseen by Captain Gardner Richardson, of the American Relief Administration, and Mr. Paul B. Anderson, of the Y. M. C. A. The committee is composed of Professors N. A. Berdiaeff, Bogilepoff and Iassinsky and Mme. E. L. Kousskoff. The first action of the committee was to express its gratitude to the individual donors of the money and to the editor of *SCIENCE*, and to ask me to make this gratitude known to these persons. This is done herewith.

The second action was to begin at once a careful distribution of the money. I have a full list of this distribution as so far made. It is a pathetic document. I can use space to note but two or three items:

To E. L. Soubasheff, former rector of the Technological University of Tomsk, \$15.

To A. L. Baikoff, professor in the University of Moscow, with family, \$30.

To I. A. Iljin, professor of Moscow University, with family, \$30.

To V. D. Golovatcheff and I. L. Tchesliar, members of student organizations in Moscow, sent out with professors, each \$10.

And so on. I hope that each donor will realize how much his money is doing. Ten dollars make the difference between suicide and keeping alive for some of these people.

VERNON KELLOGG

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SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

SIR JOSEPH THOMSON gave an address at Yale University on April 4 in connection with the dedication of the Sterling Chemistry Laboratory and the meeting of the American Chemical Society. His subject was "The unity of physics and chemistry." Next week he delivers a course of lectures at the Franklin Institute, Philadelphia.