

*Secretary*—T. S. Dymond, London.

*Secretary*—G. Scott Robertson, head of the chemical research division, Ministry of Agriculture and chief agricultural analyst for Northern Ireland.

Rt. Hon. Lord Charles Bathurst Bledisloe, chairman of the committee for agricultural research, Bristol University, will discuss "Diminishing returns in agriculture," in joint discussion with Section F.

A. W. Borthwick, on staff of Forestry Commission, England.

Malcolm Janes Rowley Dunstan, principal of Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester.

R. A. Fisher, chief statistician in Rothamsted (Agricultural) Experiment Station, Harpenden, Herts.

Sir Robert Blythe Greig, chairman of the Board of Agriculture for Scotland.

Sir John McFadyen, principal and professor of comparative pathology, Royal Veterinary College, London, will speak on "Contagious abortion in relation to animal husbandry."

Sir Henry Rew, formerly assistant secretary of the Board of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Sir Stewart Stockman, chief veterinary officer and director of veterinary research with the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, will speak on "Tuberculosis in relation to animal husbandry."

R. G. White, professor of agriculture in the University College of North Wales, Bangor.

## THE ITHACA MEETING OF THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

THE sixty-eighth meeting of the American Chemical Society will be held at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., from September 8 to 13. The first day will be occupied with registration and council meetings. The general program follows:

SEPTEMBER 9, 9:30 A. M.

Bailey Hall—general meeting. Dr. Livingston Farrand, president of Cornell University, presiding.

Addresses of welcome.

Response: Dr. Leo Baekeland, president of the American Chemical Society.

General addresses. Sir Max Muspratt, "Chemistry and civilization"; Professor S. P. L. Sorensen, "Serum globulins"; Sir Robert Robinson, "The chemistry of the trinitrotoluenes."

2:30 P. M.

Baker laboratory, main lecture room.

Description of the laboratory: Dr. L. M. Dennis, director of the department of chemistry, Cornell University.

Inspection of laboratory, equipment and exhibits.

8:30 P. M.—Bailey Hall

Entertainment for members and guests.

SEPTEMBER 10, 9:30 A. M.

General meetings of physical and inorganic, industrial and chemical education divisions. Divisional meetings.

8:30 P. M.

Bailey Hall—President Leo H. Baekeland, presidential address; President Livingston Farrand, public address. (Titles to be announced.)

SEPTEMBER 11, 9:30 A. M. AND 2:30 P. M.

Divisional meetings. Evening open.

SEPTEMBER 12, 9:30 A. M.

Divisional meetings.

2:45 P. M.

Boat from foot of Buffalo Street to Salt Works, Taughannoek and Glenwood Hotel or tennis, golf and other diversions.

7:00 P. M.

Dinner and dance at Glenwood-on-Cayuga.

SEPTEMBER 13, 9:00 A. M.

Trips to points of industrial or scenic interest.

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

*Agricultural and food chemistry*, C. S. Brinton, U. S. Food Inspection Station, 134 S. 2nd St., Philadelphia, Pa.

*Biological Chemistry*, R. A. Dutcher, Department of Agricultural Chemistry, Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.

*Cellulose chemistry*, L. F. Hawley, Forest Products Laboratory, Madison, Wis.

*Chemical education*, Neil E. Gordon, University of Maryland, College Park, Md.

*Dye chemistry*, R. Norris Shreve, 74 S. Munn Ave., East Orange, N. J.

*Fertilizer chemistry*, H. C. Moore, Armour Fertilizer Works, 209 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

*Industrial and engineering chemistry*, E. M. Billings, Kodak Park, Rochester, N. Y.

*Leather and gelatin chemistry*, Arthur W. Thomas, Department of Chemistry, Columbia University, New York City.

*Chemistry of medicinal products*, H. A. Shonle, 115 E. 28th St., Indianapolis, Ind.

*Organic chemistry*, J. A. Nieuwland, Notre Dame, Ind.

*Petroleum chemistry*, G. A. Burrell, Columbia Bank Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.

*Physical and inorganic chemistry*, H. B. Weiser, Rice Institute, Houston, Tex.

*Rubber chemistry*, Arnold H. Smith, 6748 Newgard Ave., Chicago, Ill.

*Sugar chemistry*, Frederick J. Bates, Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C.

*Water, sewage and sanitation chemistry*, F. R. Georgia, Department of Chemistry, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.

*Gas and fuel section*, O. O. Malleis, 333 Melwood St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

*History of chemistry section*, L. C. Newell, 688 Boylston St., Boston, Mass.

*Paint and varnish section*, W. T. Pearce, N. D. Agricultural College, Agricultural College, N. D.

### THE COST OF GERMAN PUBLICATIONS

THE following resolution was unanimously adopted at the twenty-seventh annual meeting of the Medical Library Association, held in Chicago, Illinois, on June 9 and 10:

WHEREAS many of the German publishers of medical books and periodicals are making unreasonable and unjustifiable charges for their publications to foreign subscribers and especially discriminating against American subscribers,

*Therefore, be it resolved* that it is the sense of this meeting that the Medical Library Association go on record expressing its disapproval of this unfair discrimination and urging the library and individual members of the association to discontinue the purchase of German medical books and periodicals until such time as the German publishers adopt a more equitable policy toward the American subscribers regarding prices; and further urging the discontinuance entirely of the purchase of all German books and periodicals unless prompt evidence is given of a change of attitude on the part of the German publishers and agents.

*Therefore, be it further resolved* that a copy of these resolutions be sent to every library and individual member of the Medical Library Association and to our American Consul General in Berlin, to Mr. M. L. Raney, chairman of the American Library Association Committee on Book Buying, and to the editors of the following periodicals for publication: *Journal of the American Medical Association*, *Borsenblatt des deutschen Buchhandels*, *Publishers Weekly*, *The Library Journal*, *Public Libraries*, SCIENCE.

*Committee on resolution regarding prices of German Medical Publications,*

CHARLES FRANKENBERGER, *Chairman*,  
J. CHRISTIAN BAY,  
CHARLES PERRY FISHER

### THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION AND THE NAPLES ZOOLOGICAL STATION

THE grant made by the American Association for the Advancement of Science to the Zoological Station at Naples has been accepted, and the director of the station, Dr. Reinhard Dohrn, has expressed his appreciation of the grant in the following paragraph taken from a letter to the permanent secretary:

I have received your letter communicating to me the vote of the American Association for the Advancement of Science to grant \$500 for an American working table at our Zoological Station, and I wish to tender herewith my heartiest thanks for this very valuable material help to our institute, and particularly for the moral support coming from such a highly representative body as the American Association for the Advancement of Science. My collaborators and I, who are just engaged in bring-

ing the Zoological Station again to an efficient working order, do highly appreciate this encouragement of American Science to our endeavors and I trust that the Zoological Station will succeed in rendering again good service to American biologists as it had been our privilege in the past.

The association wishes to name an occupant for the working table at Naples, and the permanent secretary will be glad to receive applications from scientists who may wish to take advantage of this. Dr. Dohrn states that he will be glad to correspond with persons who are planning to work at the Naples station.

BURTON E. LIVINGSTON,  
*Permanent Secretary*

### SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

ROBERT MELDRUM STEWART has been appointed director of the Dominion Observatory at Ottawa in succession to the late Dr. Otto Klotz.

ANDREW THOMSON has been appointed director of the Apia Observatory, Western Samoa, under the administration of the New Zealand government.

DR. FLORENCE R. SABIN, professor of histology at the Johns Hopkins Medical School, has been appointed a member on the scientific staff of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research.

THE Franklin medal and certificate of honorary membership in the Franklin Institute awarded to Sir Ernest Rutherford, Cavendish professor of physics at the University of Cambridge, was presented at a special ceremonial, held in London, on July 14.

DR. WILLIAM H. WELCH, director of the School of Hygiene and Public Health, Johns Hopkins University, has sailed for Europe to attend the conference on public health at Geneva.

DR. SAMUEL T. DARLING, of the International Health Board of the Rockefeller Foundation, was elected president of the American Society of Tropical Medicine at the annual convention held from June 9 to 10, in Chicago.

F. M. FARMER, chief engineer of the Electrical Testing Laboratories, New York, was elected president of the American Society for Testing Materials at the recent convention held in Atlantic City.

DR. P. S. HELMICK, of Drake University, has been elected secretary of the Iowa Academy of Science in succession to James H. Lees, of the Iowa Geological Survey, who has resigned after ten years of service.

PROFESSOR G. FICHERA, of the University of Pavia, has been awarded the Santoro prize by the National Academy of Sciences at Rome, for his researches on cancer.