

and if the Hawaiian skies prove satisfactory as an observing area, it will be replaced by a ten-foot reflector, similar to the one in Seattle.

A PROSPECTUS has been issued by the New York University describing a proposition to establish a national institute for research in colloid chemistry. In this pamphlet Professor J. H. Matthews outlines the need for such an institution and sets forth definite plans for the project, and presents the views on the subject of many leaders in this field.

ALONG the lines of the American national parks, such as the Yellowstone, an Albert National Park will be established in the Belgian Congo, according to a decision reached between the King and the Minister of the Colonies. A royal decree will be issued in the near future forbidding hunters to penetrate the zone selected, which is in the northeast portion of the Belgian Congo, at an altitude of 3,000 to 4,000 meters between Lake Kuon and Uganda. Flora and wild animals will be protected by the government.

THE Minister of the Colonies, by a decree dated December 30, has created a large game sanctuary in France's Antarctic possessions. These possessions include the islands of Crozet, St. Paul and Amsterdam, Adelia Land, and the Antarctic coast between Doigt de Sainte Anne and Port aux Lapins. The principal animals protected are polar bears, walrus, sea lions and penguins. The French naval station in Madagascar will be responsible for the patrol of the new preserve.

ACCORDING to press dispatches, Great Britain intends to enter the air race to the North Pole with an expedition next May under the leadership of a young Iclander, Grettir Algarsson, and Captain Frank Worsley, who commanded Shackleton's ships, the *Endurance* and the *Quest*, in their explorations of south polar regions. It will proceed to Spitzbergen, then north as far as the ice will permit and establish a base somewhere 81°. The final six-hundred-mile air dash to the pole will be made by Algarsson and one companion in a special seaplane fitted with skis and floats.

### UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NOTES

SIMON GUGGENHEIM, former United States Senator from Colorado, and his wife have given \$3,000,000 for the endowment of the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellowships for advanced study abroad.

THE Commonwealth Fund, of New York, has announced the establishment of twenty annual fellowships for British students at American universities, similar to the Rhodes scholarships for American students.

ANNOUNCEMENT has been made of the completion of the \$3,000,000 fund for the establishment of the Wilmer Institute of Ophthalmology at the Johns Hopkins University Medical School. Dr. William Holland Wilmer will be at the head of the institute and professor of ophthalmology in the Johns Hopkins Medical School.

T. R. FERENS, formerly a member of British Parliament, has given the sum of £250,000 as a nucleus of a fund for the founding of a university college in Hull, England.

THE board of regents of the University of Nebraska has elected Dr. J. Jay Keegan, now professor of clinical pathology, dean of the School of Medicine to succeed Dr. Irving S. Cutter, resigned.

DR. PAUL F. SHARP, of the Montana Agricultural Experiment Station, has been appointed professor of dairy chemistry in the department of dairy industry at Cornell University.

DR. ERNEST C. LEVY, chief health officer of Richmond, Va., and director of public welfare, has accepted the professorship in preventive medicine at the Medical College of Virginia, Richmond.

CARL OTTO, formerly of the University of Cincinnati, has been appointed assistant professor in the department of chemistry and chemical engineering at the University of Maine.

DR. EDWARD HINDLE, professor of biology in the Cairo School of Medicine, has been appointed a member of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, to undertake research work in spirochaetosis.

PROFESSOR O. VOGT, director of the Institute for Research on the Brain, Berlin, has been appointed emeritus professor of the University of Oporto, Portugal, where he recently delivered a course of lectures.

PROFESSOR GUSTAV HERGLOTZ, of the University of Leipzig, has been called to the chair of mathematics at the University of Göttingen to take the place of Professor Runge, who has been made emeritus professor.

### DISCUSSION AND CORRESPONDENCE THE ZOOLOGICAL RECORD AND BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS

MANY zoologists in this country will be interested in the presentation by Dr. P. Chalmers Mitchell, in a recent number of SCIENCE, of the present financial situation of the *Zoological Record*. This excellent publication has served us well since 1864 and American zoologists would be the last to contribute in any way to its harm. Indeed, the obligation due our British fellows is so great that only some positive efforts on our part to meet their needs can serve to