

of the committee in charge of plans for the International Congress.

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### SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE Franklin Institute in Philadelphia on May 20 conferred Franklin medals and certificates of honorary membership on Dr. P. Zeeman, professor of physics in the University of Amsterdam, and on Dr. Elihu Thomson, of the General Electric Company, Lynn, Mass.

AT a meeting of the Association of American Physicians held on May 6 at Washington, the Kober lectureship was presented to Professor John J. Abel, of the Johns Hopkins University Medical School, and the Kober Association Medal to Dr. Hideyo Noguchi, of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research.

DR. HOWARD MCCLENAHAN, professor of physics, Princeton University, and for the last thirteen years dean of the college, has been appointed secretary of Franklin Institute.

DR. WILLIAM M. MANN, formerly entomologist in the Department of Agriculture, will succeed Dr. Alexander Wetmore as superintendent of the National Zoological Park. Dr. Wetmore was recently appointed assistant secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.

GEORGE F. WHITE has resigned his position as professor of organic chemistry at Clark University to accept a position as director of the scientific department of Bauer and Black, manufacturers of surgical dressings and allied products, at Chicago, Ill.

DR. EDWARD FRANKLAND ARMSTRONG, who has for some years been technical director in charge of Joseph Crosfield and Sons' Soapworks at Warrington, has been appointed managing director of the British Dyestuffs Corporation. Dr. Armstrong is the son of Dr. H. E. Armstrong, emeritus professor of chemistry at the City and Guilds College, South Kensington.

IN honor of Dr. Dean Lewis, of Chicago, professor-elect of the department of surgery of the Johns Hopkins University, the physicians and surgeons of western Illinois tendered him a banquet on May 5.

THE Remington honor medal of the New York branch of the American Pharmaceutical Association has been awarded to Dr. Henry M. Whelpley, dean of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy.

DR. MARTIN H. FISCHER, professor of physiology in the University of Cincinnati, has been elected a corresponding member of the Czecho-Slovakian Botanical Society for "services rendered to botanical science."

OFFICERS for 1925-26 have been nominated as follows by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers: *President*, William L. Abbott, chief operating engineer, Commonwealth Edison Co., Chicago, Ill.; *Vice-presidents*, Alex G. Christie, professor of mechanical engineering at the Johns Hopkins University; William T. Magruder, professor of mechanical engineering, Ohio State University; Roy V. Wright, managing editor of the *Railway Age*; *Managers*, Robert L. Daugherty, professor of mechanical and hydraulic engineering at the California Institute of Technology; William Elmer, superintendent of the middle division, Pennsylvania Railroad System; Charles E. Gorton, chairman of the American Uniform Boiler Law Society; *Treasurer*, Erik Oberg, editor of *Machinery*.

AT the Niagara Falls Meeting of the American Electrochemical Society the following officers for 1925 were elected: *President*, Frederick M. Becket; *Vice-presidents*, Wm. Blum, F. C. Frary and E. F. Cone; *Managers*, H. W. Gillett, F. N. Speller and J. Watson Bain; *Treasurer*, Acheson Smith; and *Secretary*, Colin G. Fink.

AT a meeting of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics of the National Committee of Canada, held in Ottawa, January 30, 1925, the following officers were elected: *President*, Noel J. Ogilvie, director of the Geodetic Survey of Canada, Ottawa; *Secretary*, Ernest A. Hodgson, seismologist of the Dominion Observatory, Ottawa.

THE following officers were elected at the annual business meeting of the Iowa chapter of the Sigma Xi: *President*, Professor B. T. Baldwin; *Vice-president*, Professor P. A. Bond; *Treasurer*, Professor E. W. Chittenden; *Secretary*, Professor C. J. Lapp. The chapter was organized in June, 1900.

DR. GEORGE W. CORNER, professor of anatomy at the University of Rochester, addressed the first open meeting of the Sigma Xi Club of the University of Buffalo, on May 21. The subject of the lecture was "Problems of the human reproductive cycle." The Sigma Xi Club was organized at the University of Buffalo early in 1924. Its membership includes fifteen alumni members of the society on the university faculty and alumni members in Buffalo and environs. The officers for the first year, during which a constitution was formulated and adopted and several stimulating meetings held, were: *President*, Dr. Wayne J. Atwell; *Secretary-treasurer*, Dr. Fred R. Griffith, Jr. Officers for the coming year, recently elected, are: *President*, Dr. Frank A. Hartman; *Secretary*, Dr. Fred R. Griffith, Jr.; *Treasurer*, Professor Albert

R. Shadle; additional members of the executive committee, Drs. Edward A. Moore and Wayne J. Atwell.

DR. MARY ELIZABETH HANKS has been elected president of the Chicago Council of Medical Women. Dr. Florence Johnston, assistant editor of the *Journal* of the American Medical Association, has been appointed secretary.

DR. M. M. LEIGHTON, chief of the Illinois State Geological Survey, was recently elected chairman of the St. Louis Section of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers.

YING LAM PUN, Ph.D. (Ohio State), formerly instructor in the department of chemical engineering, has been traveling around the world for the last nine months on his way home to China. Dr. Pun has made a series of addresses in Great Britain, Holland, Germany, France, South Africa and India before Chinese Chambers of Commerce on the industrial conditions and future of China. Dr. Pun is at present in Burma.

PAUL JACKSON has joined the research department of the Bakelite Corporation.

E. WADE ADAMS has resigned his position as assistant professor of chemistry at the Kansas State Teachers' College of Pittsburg to accept a position as research chemist in the laboratory of the Standard Oil Company, Whiting, Ind.

DR. PHILIP B. HAWK is removing his Food Research Laboratory from Duxbury, Mass., to New York City in June.

DR. WALTER H. SNELL, head of the department of botany in Brown University, will resume his work as assistant forest pathologist for the New York Conservation Commission during the coming summer. He will continue various studies upon the white pine blister rust for the commission.

DR. BRADLEY M. DAVIS will spend the summer in England with headquarters at the John Innes Horticultural Institution, Merton.

DR. T. A. JAGGAR, director of the Hawaiian Volcano Observatory of the U. S. Geological Survey, is making a visit to Washington.

DR. CHARLES E. WEAVER, who has spent three years in geologic work in Argentina, will in September resume his position as professor of paleontology in the University of Washington, Seattle.

DR. M. I. PUPIN, professor of electro-mechanics at Columbia University and president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, will give the principal address at the commencement exercises of Swarthmore College on June 11.

PROFESSOR WILDER D. BANCROFT, of Cornell Uni-

versity, lectured on May 12 before the Swarthmore Chapter of the Society of Sigma Xi on "The ramifications of a research problem."

PROFESSOR CHARLES A. KOFOID, of the University of California, delivered a lecture on "Hookworm and amoebiasis as a public health problem," at the Rice Institute on May 8.

DR. E. E. SLOSSON, of Science Service, will speak on June 1 at the annual meeting and dinner of the Alumni Association of the Graduate Schools of Columbia University, on "Science and superstition."

DR. H. FREUNDLICH will address on May 28 a joint meeting of the Washington Academy of Sciences, the Chemical Society of Washington and the Philosophical Society of Washington, on "The state of aggregation and form of colloid particles."

PROFESSOR C. K. LEITH, of the department of geology of the University of Wisconsin, will lead a round-table conference on "International aspects of mineral resources" at the fifth session of the Institute of Politics, at Williamstown, Mass., for four weeks beginning on July 23.

PROFESSOR HENRY H. GODDARD, of the department of psychology of the Ohio State University, sailed for Honolulu on May 13, to deliver a series of lectures under the auspices of the University of Hawaii.

AMONG the five busts unveiled in the Hall of Fame of New York University on May 21 is one of Asa Gray, the botanist. The bust is the work of Chester Beach, and was presented to New York University by the Gray Herbarium of Harvard University and friends and relatives of Mr. Gray. Miss Katherine P. Loring made the presentation and Miss Alice A. Gray unveiled the statue. Dr. Charles W. Eliot, president-emeritus of Harvard University, spoke through the phonofilm and Professor Benjamin L. Robinson, professor of systematic botany at Harvard University, made the address.

JOHN EDWARD MCGRATH, formerly of the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, the discoverer of Mount Logan, died on May 7, at the age of sixty-nine years.

THE REVEREND FATHER ALOYSIUS LAURENCE CORTIE, S. J., astronomer and director of the Stonyhurst College Observatory, England, died on May 16, aged sixty-six years.

OTAKAR BARKUS, a graduate in chemistry of the University of Prague, Czecho-Slovakia, recently associated with the University of Nebraska, died at Saranac Lake, N. Y., on May 8, at the age of twenty-seven years. He had published several articles in *The American Journal of Physiology*.

THE following cable, dated May 21, has been received by President Vincent, of the Rockefeller Foundation, from the secretary general of the League of Nations, Geneva: "Deeply regret inform you Drs. Samuel Darling and Norman Lothian met with fatal automobile accident while traveling as members League of Nation's Malaria Commission near Beirut yesterday." Dr. Darling, who for the past ten years has been a member of the staff of the International Health Board of the Rockefeller Foundation, has made important contributions to scientific knowledge of malaria, relapsing fever, dysentery and parasitic diseases, particularly hookworm disease, filariasis and trypanosomiasis. He was born in Harrison, N. J., in 1872, and received his degree in medicine at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore. From 1906 to 1915 he held the post of chief of laboratories of the Isthmian Canal Commission, Panama Canal Zone.

THE late Sir T. Clifford Allbutt, Regius professor of physics in the University of Cambridge, who died in February last aged 88 years, has bequeathed to the Fitzwilliam Museum of Cambridge his portrait by Sir William Orpen, R.A., and on the death of his wife a quantity of antique furniture and drawings and paintings by noted artists, including Romney, Landseer, Rossetti, Watts and Turner.

THE second general assembly of the International Astronomical Union will be held at Cambridge, England, from July 14 to 22.

THE third annual meeting of the Virginia Academy of Science was held in Richmond on May 1 and 2, together with the Virginia section of the American Chemical Society. At the business session the academy voted to become affiliated with the American Association for the Advancement of Science on the terms set forth in their recent memorandum on the relations between affiliated academies and the association, as has already been recorded in *SCIENCE*. Dr. Robert E. Loving, of the University of Richmond, was elected president for the coming year.

THE third annual banquet of the Sigma Xi club of the Kansas State Agricultural college, with several visiting members of the Sigma Xi chapter at the University of Kansas in attendance, was held on April 24. Sixty-two members, including fifteen from the University of Kansas, attended. Dr. R. K. Nabours, president of the local club, acted as toastmaster. Dr. Raymond C. Moore, head of the department of geology of the University of Kansas, and state geologist, spoke on "Contributions of geology to the progress of science." Dr. Nobel P. Sherwood, head of the department of bacteriology, spoke on "The service of medicine in the progress of man." Professor J. W.

McColloch, of the department of entomology at the Kansas State Agricultural College, discussed "The advancement of science with the study of insects," and E. C. Miller, of the department of botany, "The study of plants as an aid in scientific progress."

## UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NOTES

THE sum of \$200,000 has been given to the University of Chicago by Mr. Charles H. Swift. This gift has for its purpose the institution and maintenance of a "distinguished service professorship." It is the first professorship endowment at Chicago yielding an income of \$10,000. Other endowments are expected to follow to supply financial rewards for distinguished service. Present members of the faculty and outsiders will be eligible. Mr. Max Epstein has contributed \$10,000 for "scientific work in medicine or one of the allied sciences." The university has also received \$53,000 from Mr. Morton D. Hull and an anonymous gift of \$50,000.

DR. GLENN FRANK, editor of *The Century Magazine*, has been elected president of the University of Wisconsin.

PROFESSOR GREGORY P. BAXTER, teacher of chemistry at Harvard since 1897, has been named Theodore William Richards professor of chemistry. This professorship was recently established at Harvard by Thomas W. Lamont, and Professor Baxter, a graduate of Harvard College in 1896, is the first incumbent. A second new chair in chemistry is also announced, the Sheldon Emery professorship of organic chemistry. Professor Arthur B. Lamb, director of the chemical laboratory, is named as the first incumbent of the new chair. Dr. William John Crozier, professor of zoology at Rutgers College, has been appointed associate professor of general physiology.

DR. J. E. WODSEDALEK, head of the department of zoology and director of pre-medical and graduate studies at the University of Idaho, has been made dean of the graduate school.

DR. EDWARD L. TROXELL, of Yale University, has been appointed professor of geology and dean at Trinity College.

DR. SEWALL WRIGHT, senior husbandman in charge of animal genetics in the bureau of animal industry, U. S. Department of Agriculture, has been appointed associate professor of zoology in the University of Chicago. Dr. Wright will have charge of the subject of genetics in the department of zoology dating from January 1, 1926.