

Dr. Waro Nakahara, hitherto an assistant in biophysics, has accepted an appointment as associate pathologist at the Government Institute for Infectious Diseases, Tokio Imperial University, and research associate at the Institute of Physical and Chemical Research of Tokio.

Dr. Everett S. Sanderson, hitherto an assistant in the department of animal pathology, has accepted an appointment as assistant professor of bacteriology in the Medical School of the University of Virginia.

Dr. David T. Smith, hitherto an assistant in pathology and bacteriology, has accepted an appointment as pathologist at the New York State Hospital for Incipient Tuberculosis, Ray Brook, New York.

Dr. Elmer L. Straub, hitherto an assistant in pathology and bacteriology, has accepted an appointment as assistant resident pathologist at the University of Louisville, Kentucky.

Dr. Chester M. Van Allen, hitherto an assistant in pathology and bacteriology, has accepted an appointment as assistant professor of surgery in the graduate school of medicine of the University of Chicago.

#### THE NEW BUILDING OF THE MARINE BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY

THE new building and laboratories of the Marine Biological Laboratory, at Woods Hole, were dedicated on July 3. Charles R. Crane, president of the Board of Trustees, presided and addresses were given by Professor Frank R. Lillie, director; Professor Edmund B. Wilson, Columbia University, and Professor Edwin G. Conklin, Princeton University. The addresses were followed by an inspection of buildings and work, with afternoon tea in the library. The first of the series of evening lectures was delivered by Professor W. J. V. Osterhout, his subject being "Absorption and accumulation."

In 1920 the first plans for the new building by Coolidge and Shattuck were before the trustees, and with the cooperation of the National Research Council a search for funds was begun. In January, 1924, one million four hundred thousand dollars were in hand. This fund represents contributions of the Rockefeller Foundation, the Carnegie Corporation, Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and the Friendship Fund. In addition, Mr. Charles R. Crane agreed to be responsible for the cost of the new building beyond the original estimate of five hundred thousand dollars. Nine hundred thousand dollars of the total sum has been invested for endowment. Previous to the acquisition of the new funds, the educational plant and other resources of the laboratory were valued at about five hundred thousand dollars, so that the laboratory now administers some two million dollars, represented by plant and investments.

While the new building provides ample space for the expansion of the library, a commodious lecture

hall and rooms for the general offices, the provisions important for scientific work are the research rooms, supplied not only with fresh and salt water for the aquaria, but with arrangements for the control of light and temperature and with the several forms of electric current. In addition there are special installations, such as X-ray rooms, galvanometer room, photographic rooms, experimental dark rooms, constant-temperature rooms, etc., to meet the requirements for advanced biophysical and biochemical work.

#### SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE Council of the National Academy of Sciences has accepted the invitation of the University of Wisconsin to hold the autumn meeting of the Academy in Madison, Wisconsin, on November 9, 10 and 11. Arrangements for this meeting will be made by the local committee, the chairman of which is Professor C. K. Leith, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.

PROFESSOR ERNST COHEN, of the University of Utrecht, has been elected president, and Dr. James F. Norris, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, vice-president, of the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry, at its recent meeting in Bucharest. It was decided to hold the next meeting in the United States in 1926.

THE honorary degrees of doctor of science were conferred upon M. Niels Bohr, professor of physics and director of the Institute of Theoretical Physics at Copenhagen, and on Brigadier-General Charles G. Bruce, leader of the Mount Everest Expedition, by Oxford University on June 24.

DR. JOHN JOLLY, professor of geology and mineralogy in the University of Dublin, has received the honorary degree of doctor of science from the University of Cambridge.

THE honorary degree of doctor of engineering has been conferred upon Sir Dugald Clerk by the University of Liverpool.

DR. ALBERT E. WHITE, professor and director of engineering research in the University of Michigan, has had conferred on him by Brown University the honorary doctorate of science.

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY has conferred the degree of doctor of science on Dr. Horatio B. Williams, professor of physiology in Columbia University.

DR. GEORGE GAILEY CHAMBERS, professor of mathematics at the University of Pennsylvania, has received from Dickinson College the honorary degree of doctor of science.