

SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

THE LONDON SCHOOL OF HYGIENE AND TROPICAL MEDICINE

A NEW department has been added to the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine for an advanced course in bacteriology and immunology. A house has been secured for the purpose in Gordon Square, over the school in Endsleigh Gardens, and students will be prepared for the new diploma in bacteriology of London University. It will be opened next month, and the course of study will include the bacteriology of public health and of industry.

Another new department is to be opened in connection with the school, at the National Institute for Medical Research, at Hampstead, for special instruction in epidemiology and vital statistics. Other important developments are contemplated in the activities of the institution, but these can not be carried out until the completion of the new school, towards which the trustees of the Rockefeller Foundation gave \$2,000,000. Good progress is being made with the building, which is being erected in Bloomsbury, near the British Museum, and, although it is not expected to be finished until 1929, it is hoped that a part will be ready for occupation by October of this year. In the new building the school will be one of the most important institutions in the world for research into various problems relating to health, both in temperate and tropical climates. The training of students in general public health work will be an outstanding feature of its activities, and, with a department which will act as a coordinating center for research in different countries, the school is expected to have a world-wide influence in the promotion of public health services.

Steps are also being taken to provide more efficient clinical teaching in tropical diseases, and an important proposal associated with the future work of the school relates to the erection of a hospital for tropical diseases. Such an institution is regarded as an urgent necessity, and it is hoped to raise sufficient funds to provide a suitable building in close proximity to the new school.

FREE PUBLIC LECTURES ON MEDICAL SUBJECTS

THE faculty of medicine of Harvard University offers a course of free public lectures on medical subjects, to be given at the medical school on Sunday afternoons, beginning January 8 and ending March 25, 1928. The lectures will begin at four o'clock.

January 8.—*Maintaining physical efficiency by work and play*: NORMAN W. FRADD, instructor in physical education.

January 15.—*Gas poisoning, electric shock and drowning*:

DR. CECIL K. DRINKER, professor of physiology and assistant dean of the School of Public Health.

January 22.—*The laws of the heart*: DR. ALFRED C. REDFIELD, assistant professor of physiology.

January 29.—*The importance of diet in the treatment of anemia*: DR. GEORGE R. MINOT, clinical professor of medicine.

February 5.—*Aptitude measurements in vocational guidance*: JOHNSON O'CONNOR, in charge of the human engineering department, General Electric Company, West Lynn.

February 12.—*The child meets the family*: DR. HALLOWELL DAVIS, assistant professor of physiology.

February 19.—*Infantile paralysis*: DR. WILLIAM L. AYCOCK, associate in preventive medicine and hygiene.

February 26.—*Restoration of function in the mouth and teeth as a health measure*: DR. FRED A. BECKFORD, professor of prosthetic dentistry.

March 4.—*Brain disorders from the surgical standpoint*: DR. GILBERT HORRAX, instructor in surgery.

March 11.—*Cancer*: DR. DANIEL F. JONES, associate in surgery.

March 18.—*Public health aspects of canned food*: HENRY M. LOOMIS, secretary of the National Canners' Association, Washington, D. C.

March 25.—*Health conditions in Equatorial Africa contrasted with those in countries where sanitation prevails*: DR. RICHARD P. STRONG, professor of tropical medicine.

At Stanford University Medical School the forty-sixth courses of popular medical lectures will be given at Lane Hall on alternate Friday evenings as follows:

January 13.—*Psycho-analysis*: DR. JAMES L. WHITNEY.
January 27.—*Infantile paralysis*: DR. RUSSELL VAN ARSDALE LEE.

February 10.—*Cults, quacks and cures*: DR. EDGAR L. GILCREEST.

February 24.—*Chinese medicine*: DR. EMMET RIXFORD.

March 9.—*Protection against tuberculosis*: DR. FREDERICK EBERSON.

March 23.—*Prevention of heart disease*: DR. WILLIAM DOCK.

OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

IN addition to the election of Dr. Samuel Wilson Parr, professor of industrial chemistry at the University of Illinois, president of the American Chemical Society, W. D. Bigelow, director of the research laboratories of the National Canners' Association, was reelected a director of the society from the fourth district and E. C. Franklin, professor of chemistry in