

ner of the section with the Societies of Phi Delta Kappa and Kappa Delta Pi is planned for Tuesday evening. A brief program will follow the dinner, devoted to studies in administrative and supervisory research. At the Tuesday afternoon session the retiring vice-president for Section Q, Dr. Frank N. Freeman (of the University of Chicago), will present an address. The topics for the other sessions are: "Research in Elementary Education," Monday morning; "Research in Secondary and Collegiate Education," Monday afternoon; "Research in Social Studies and other Problems of Character Training," Tuesday morning; "Investigations in the Teaching of Science," Wednesday morning.

PROGRAMS RELATED TO SCIENCE IN GENERAL.—The Society of the Sigma Xi is to hold on Tuesday afternoon a business meeting beginning at 4 o'clock. The annual dinner will occur Tuesday at 6:30 and the

ninth annual Sigma Xi lecture will be given at the general session Tuesday evening, by Dr. C. E. Kenneth Mees, director of research of the Eastman Kodak Company. Tickets for the dinner may be secured, before Tuesday noon, at the general registration offices in the gymnasium of Western Reserve University. The American Nature-Study Society plans to hold sessions on nature-study problems of various kinds, especially nature education. A dinner of the society is planned. The Gamma Alpha Scientific Fraternity will hold its council meeting on Tuesday afternoon and a breakfast on Wednesday morning. A proposed revision of the constitution will be considered. Sigma Delta Epsilon, Graduate Women's Scientific Organization, will have two breakfast meetings, with interesting talks. The Tuesday breakfast will be for all women visitors, while the meeting on Wednesday will be specially for members of the organization.

SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

THE BRITISH FRESHWATER BIOLOGICAL STATION

ACCORDING to an article in the *London Times* the Freshwater Biological Association of the British Empire was founded in the early part of this year with the object of securing the establishment of a freshwater laboratory to prosecute research into the problems of freshwater biology. Although the movement originated among the professional biologists of Great Britain, it has secured the support of the leading scientific societies and of a large proportion of the economic bodies interested in river pollution, freshwater fisheries, and the like.

The conference convened by the council of the association at Fishmongers' Hall on February 21 last afforded evidence of the interest displayed and showed that there is a real and widely felt need for a freshwater research station. Promises of financial support in the form of annual grants have been received from many sources. They are conditional upon the actual founding of the station as a research center. The council are now making an appeal for contributions to a fund for the establishment and initial equipment of the station, and several hundred pounds have already been promised.

It is hoped that all who are interested in fresh waters, such as public bodies responsible for water supply, medical officers of health, water and sanitary engineers, fishermen and naturalists, will realize the importance of the projected station and will be prepared to help by contributing to the fund. Contributions of any amount, large or small, will be welcomed.

The council have prepared a pamphlet giving an outline of the aims of freshwater biology in the British Isles, which includes a scheme of work and plans for the projected station. This pamphlet, as well as the report of the conference at Fishmongers' Hall, can be obtained on application to the acting secretary, Professor F. Balfour Browne, Winsecombe Court, Winsecombe, Somerset.

CELEBRATION OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE THEORY OF RELATIVITY

ON November 10, the University of Colorado celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the theory of relativity. It was on September 26, 1905, that Professor Einstein's first paper on relativity entitled, "Zur Elektrodynamik Bewegter Körper," appeared in the *Annalen der Physik*. As far as is known, this was the second celebration honoring the famous physicist, the first being that of the Royal Society in London some time ago.

The celebration opened with a banquet in the Memorial Union Building with places set for one hundred and seventy persons, consisting of students, faculty, townspeople and delegations from the Colorado School of Mines, Colorado State Teachers' College and the Colorado Agricultural College. At the dinner Dr. Junius F. Brown, of the department of psychology, gave reminiscences of Professor Einstein as he knew him in the seminar in Berlin last year.

After the dinner addresses were given by various members of the faculty. Dean O. C. Lester, of the Graduate School, spoke on "The Changed Outlook on