

## SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

PRIMITIVE AREAS IN THE WASHAKIE  
NATIONAL FOREST IN WYOMING

THE Forest Service announces the formal approval and designation of two primitive areas within the Washakie National Forest in Wyoming. These will be known as the Glacier and the Stratified Primitive Areas, and contain 108,500 and 147,000 acres, respectively. The latter-named tract is situated in the extreme northern part of the forest, in a country characterized by broad flat-topped plateaus, cut away in places by deep, narrow canyons.

The Glacier Primitive Area lies on the east slope of the Continental Divide, or Wind River Range, near the central part of the Washakie Forest, and adjoins on the east the Bridger Primitive Area, containing 138,000 acres of land on the western slope of the Continental Divide. The two combined contain nearly 250,000 acres of rugged, mountainous land that can scarcely be surpassed for scenic grandeur and beauty.

Glacier Primitive Area is within an extremely rough and rugged region, containing innumerable Alpine lakes and some of the largest living glaciers within continental United States. It is the home of the largest herd of mountain sheep left in Wyoming. Its mountains include Fremont and Gannett Peaks—the two highest in the state. The canyons are extremely deep and precipitous.

The Stratified Primitive Area has been built up of eruptive rock from the Mt. Washburn volcanic area, in the Yellowstone Park, and Lava Mountain, at the head of Wind River. This eruptive material has been laid down in horizontal strata which are unstable and break down irregularly, often resulting in step-like precipitous cliffs and buttes, separated by many narrow valleys.

The abundance and tameness of wild life lends charm to the surroundings. This is the chief summer range of the Wind River elk herd of about 1,500 head. Deer are also plentiful. Mountain sheep and moose are often seen. The unit is also rich in the petrified remains of forests of earlier geologic times. Sections of petrified trees may be found in streams and standing petrified tree trunks may be seen elsewhere.

The designation of these lands as primitive areas means that they will be retained virtually in their natural state, and no motor roads, summer homes, resorts or other forms of settlement will be permitted within their boundaries. These areas are admirably adapted for the purpose for which they have been selected and will afford opportunities for present and future generations to visit and enjoy a wonderfully scenic region unchanged by modern civilization.

## THE ANNUAL REVIEW OF BIOCHEMISTRY

THE first volume of the *Annual Review of Biochemistry*, published on May 3, is the introductory number of a new publication in the field of biochemistry. It is the purpose of the *Review* to present for the use of biochemists, physiologists, agricultural, organic and medical chemists, and scientists in related fields, annual and biennial surveys of the literature in biochemistry. Thirty to thirty-five subjects of major interest will be reviewed. The work is of international authorship, contributors having been selected from this country, Canada, Great Britain and continental Europe. The names follow: R. J. Anderson, M. L. Anson and A. E. Mirsky, W. R. Bloor, J. L. Bollman and F. C. Mann, L. R. Cerecedo, J. B. Collip and D. L. Thomson, Hans Fischer and F. W. Neumann, R. A. Gortner, L. J. Harris, M. Heidelberger, D. R. Hoagland, R. Hober, E. G. Holmes, N. N. Ivanov, P. Karrer and A. Helfenstein, H. D. Kay, P. A. Levene and A. L. Raymond, H. B. Lewis, J. M. Luck, Joseph Needham, J. Parnas, R. Robinson, W. C. Rose, L. Ruzicka, C. L. A. Schmidt, P. A. Shaffer and E. Ronzoni, C. P. Sherwin, A. T. Shohl, I. Smedley-MacLean, Arthur H. Smith, H. A. Spöhr, M. Stephenson, H. B. Vickery, E. Waldschmidt-Leitz, A. Windaus and R. Wurmser.

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THE SIGMA XI CHAPTER OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS COLLEGE OF  
MEDICINE

THE annual meeting of the Sigma Xi Chapter of the College of Medicine, University of Illinois, was held on May 12. Fifteen members and twenty-two associate members were elected.

Dr. F. R. Moulton, past president of the National Society, was present and addressed the meeting. Dr. L. B. Wilson, national president, also gave an address. The Northwestern Chapter was represented by Dr. L. B. Arey, professor of anatomy, and president of the chapter. Professor E. S. Bastin represented the University of Chicago Chapter.