According to Dr. True, the participation of the Morris Arboretum in the Rock expedition marks the first step in the arboretum's program for the collection of rare botanical specimens from all parts of the world. Although the arboretum already has a wide representation of Oriental plants, its herbarium will be greatly enriched by the mounted specimens from Tibet. It is expected that the seeds from the Rock expedition will enable the arboretum to grow many varieties of Oriental plants.

DEDICATION OF THE GEORGE EASTMAN RESEARCH LABORATORIES OF THE MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

THE George Eastman Research Laboratories of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology will be dedicated on Monday, May 1.

The new building, which takes its place in the main educational group, will be devoted to advanced training and research in physics and chemistry, and many former students and members of the faculty in these fields will return for the dedication. It was built from a fund originally provided by the late George Eastman for new buildings, and was completed last autumn. The laboratory offers the most advanced facilities for fundamental study and teaching.

The ceremonies will open with a meeting in the large lecture room of the laboratories in the morning, when the guests and official delegates will be welcomed in an address by President Karl T. Compton. Dr. Harry M. Goodwin, dean of the Graduate School, will speak on "The Graduate School," and Professor Frederick G. Keyes, head of the department of chemistry, will discuss "Chemistry at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology," tracing the development of advances in this field at the institute since its beginning. "Physics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology" will be the subject of an address by Professor John C. Slater, head of the department of physics. The meeting will be followed by an inspection of the laboratories and special exhibits.

After a buffet luncheon in the Walker Memorial Building, the delegates will attend a meeting at which Dr. Arthur H. Compton, of the University of Chicago, will contribute a paper entitled "Cosmic Rays," and Professor Charles A. Kraus, of Brown University, will speak on "Thirty Years of Physical Chemistry."

After the meeting, the inspection of laboratories and exhibits will be resumed, to be followed by a tea in the Forris Jewett Moore Room late in the afternoon. At 6:30 in the evening the delegates will attend a dinner in Walker Memorial. The ceremonies will close with a reception by President Compton and the staff of the George Eastman Research Laboratories.

As a preliminary to the dedication of the new building, the Northeastern Section of the American Chemical Society, with members of various other New England sections as its guests, will meet in the new building on Saturday afternoon and evening, April 29. Dr. Gilbert N. Lewis, dean of the College of Chemistry at the University of California, a former member of the faculty, will make an address at the afternoon meeting on "The Preparation and Properties of Pure Hydrogen Isotope." At the dinner in the evening, Professor Ernest H. Huntress, of the department of chemistry, will perform a number of unusual experiments in chemistry.

THE MINNESOTA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

LAST October there were held in the Twin Cities several meetings with a view to organizing a Minnesota Academy of Science. Formal organization was finally completed at a meeting held on November 18. The officers elected and appointed were:

- President, Wm. A. Riley, University of Minnesota, St. Paul.
- Vice-president, H. E. Stork, Carleton College, Northfield.
- Secretary-Treasurer, D. E. Minnich, University of Minnesota.
- Councilors, George Friedrichs, State Teachers College, St. Cloud; Richard U. Jones, Macalester College, St. Paul; Reverend Wendel Luetmer, St. John's University, Collegeville; E. T. Tufte, St. Olaf College, Northfield.

On April 15, the first annual meeting of the academy was held in the Zoology Building at the University of Minnesota. At a morning and an afternoon session eighteen papers were read. The papers covered a wide variety of fields, including biology, chemistry, geology and astronomy. The noonday luncheon was the occasion of two addresses: one by Dr. L. M. Gould, of Carleton College, on "Antarctic Glaciation," and one by Dr. A. E. Jenks, University of Minnesota, on "Anthropologic Problems of Special Interest in Minnesota." Forty-nine new active members and five new associate members were elected to the academy.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:

- President, H. E. Stork, Carleton College, Northfield.
- Vice-president, T. B. Magath, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota.
- Secretary-Treasurer, H. K. Wilson, University of Minnesota, St. Paul.
- Councilors, George Friedrichs, State Teachers College, St. Cloud; Richard U. Jones, Macalester College, St.