

hundred feet with a corresponding difference in flora. In most seasons fungi occur in profusion, and in only the most unusual August is the collecting unsatisfactory. Pleasant days and cool nights are to be expected. The laboratories are well equipped with facilities for handling the materials collected. The herbarium, containing the specimens of Atkinson and his students, is available for consultation.

Members of the society and other students of the fungi are urged to make careful note of the dates of the foray and to arrange their summer plans to include it. All who plan to attend are asked to advise the local committee well in advance in order that adequate arrangements may be made.

THE REORGANIZATION OF THE NEUROLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK CITY

DR. FREDERICK TILNEY, professor of neurology at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Columbia University, was elected medical director of the Neurological Institute, at a meeting on July 9 of the board of trustees, of which Floyd B. Odum is president.

Dr. Tilney has been associated with the Neurological Institute since 1919, serving recently as chairman of its committee on medical research. The medical directorship is a new position, and according to plans for the reorganization of the institute two assistant medical directors to conduct special departments will be appointed.

The institute was founded in 1909, reorganized in 1920, and in 1929 was moved to its present location as one of the units in the Medical Center. It is now proposed to develop an entirely new department in the institute and to organize it in association with the College of Physicians and Surgeons so that it would be in a position to concern itself with the physiology of the nervous system. Plans are also being made to enlarge the department of child neurology, recently organized under the directorship of Dr. Bernard Sachs, by means of a gift from the Friedsam Foundation. Plans are also under way to extend laboratory facilities to several additional floors in the institute.

At the recent meeting the number of the trustees was increased from twenty-five to fifty. Dr. Dudley Roberts was elected vice-president and was appointed chairman of the executive council, ten of whose members are chairmen of newly established committees, as follows: scientific activities, Dr. Roberts; hospital management, Charles F. Neergaard; professional staff, Dr. Cassius H. Watson; nursing, Mrs. Henry P. Davison; out-patient department, Gordon Abbott; buildings and grounds, Maurice Wertheim; publicity

and community relations, Mrs. Ogden Reid; law, Harold B. Thorne, Jr.

Under the revised rules, the institute will maintain a hospital, emergency service and out-patient department for those suffering from nervous troubles, with free service for those who are unable to pay; provide facilities for the training of undergraduate and post-graduate medical students in the treatment of mental disease and instruction of nurses in the care of such patients, and provide for study and research into the causes, preventive methods and treatment of nervous diseases.

MEMORIALS AND RECENT DEATHS

A TABLET in memory of Dr. Clarence H. Eckles was presented to the University of Minnesota on June 15 by the dairy interests of the Northwest. Dr. Eckles was chief of the Division of Dairy Husbandry at the University of Minnesota from 1919 to 1933. The tablet is placed in Haecker Hall, the Dairy Building at the Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station, St. Paul, which Dr. Eckles was instrumental in securing for the College of Agriculture.

ACCORDING to *Nature*, the admirers, friends and pupils of the late Dr. Émile Roux, director of the Institut Pasteur in Paris, have decided to establish a national fund to be known as the Roux Foundation to pay the expenses of young students of biology. The general secretaries are M. Sieur, Inspector-General of the French Army, and Professor Marchoux, member of the Academy of Medicine. Subscriptions should be sent to the treasurer, M. Dufaure, 205 rue de Vaugirard, Paris.

DR. MARION DORSET, co-discoverer of the serum to prevent hog cholera, who had been chief of the biochemic division of the Bureau of Animal Husbandry of the Department of Agriculture since 1904, died on July 14 at the age of sixty-two years.

A. F. WYNN, for nearly twenty years curator of the Lyman Entomological Collection and Library at McGill University, died on July 3.

DR. DANIEL H. SQUIRE, dean of the University of Buffalo School of Dentistry since 1912, died on July 6.

Nature records the death of Colonel W. C. Blackett, past president of the Institution of Mining Engineers and of the North of England Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, on June 13, aged seventy-five years, and on June 19 of W. S. Franks, who, for twenty-five years, was in charge of the Brockhurst Observatory, East Grinstead, known for his work on the colors of stars, aged eighty-four years.