

Long, research associate in the department of botany, has made a number of field trips to secure additional specimens for the local herbarium. In Hawaii H. Burrington Baker, research associate in the department of mollusks, is collecting and studying mollusks, and in Natal, Africa, H. W. Bell-Marley continues the collecting of fishes for the academy.

The late Prentiss N. Gray, of New York, a trustee of the academy, who died in a boat explosion early in the year while collecting in Florida with David Newell, secured on that last of a long series of expeditions fine specimens of panther which live in the cypress swamps in that state.

MEMBERS OF THE WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE

ABEL WOLMAN, chairman of the Maryland Planning Board, has been named chairman of a newly appointed Water Resources Committee, which will deal with PWA projects involving power developments, flood control and the like.

The new committee, of which Harold L. Ickes is chairman, will function as a unit of the National Resources Committee, which last winter submitted a comprehensive report on the development of public lands, forestation, water projects and minerals.

"The committee," according to a statement made by Mr. Ickes, "is engaged in outlining a long-range plan for the more effective use of all the water resources of the nation and for continuance and application of the policies set forth in the report of the Mississippi Valley Committee and the December, 1934, report of the National Resources Committee." Various water projects pending before the Work Relief Administration will be considered by the committee in connection with construction proposals and for collection of basic data.

Other members of the committee are:

Thorndike Saville, of the American Society of Civil Engineers and associate dean of the College of Engineering, New York University.

N. C. Grover, chief hydraulic engineer, water resources branch, U. S. Geological Survey.

Elwood Mead, director of the Bureau of Reclamation.

Jay N. Darling, chief of the Biological Survey.

H. H. Bennett, chief of the Soil Conservation Service.

R. Y. Tarbett, sanitary engineer, of the U. S. Public Health Service.

Major-General Edward M. Markham, chief of the U. S. Army Engineers.

Thomas R. Tate, director of the National Power Survey, Federal Power Commission.

H. H. Barrows, professor of geography at the University of Chicago and formerly a member of the Mississippi Valley Committee and the National Resources Committee.

Edward Hyatt, state engineer, of California.

The new committee will have as an advisory body the former water planning committee which was a unit of the National Resources Committee.

THE NORWICH MEETING OF THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE

THE London *Times* reports that arrangements for the meeting at Norwich in September of the British Association for the Advancement of Science are now practically completed. The association has only once before, in 1868, met at Norwich, but it is said that the city and the surrounding country have much to engage the attention of the various sections, and the excursions of the eight-day gathering will be unusually attractive. Norfolk is classical ground for the geologist, there is much to interest the archeologist and the botanist and the county has a special agricultural standing. Prehistoric man, the Gael and the ancient Briton dwelt on the site of Norwich before the Romans built a road through it to serve their settlement at Caistor. The Saxons developed the town and the Normans built the Cathedral and Castle. In the Tudor period, when Flemish and French refugees founded a flourishing textile industry, Norwich came to rank as the second city of the kingdom.

The president of the association this year is Dr. W. W. Watts, emeritus professor of geology at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, South Kensington. His address to the inaugural general meeting on September 4 in the Agricultural Hall will have for its subject "Form, Drift and Rhythm of the Continents."

The list of sectional presidents and the subjects of their addresses were given in the issue of *SCIENCE* for May 24. Among the matters to be discussed in the Section of Mathematical and Physical Sciences are atomic physics, noise and new stars. The Section of Chemistry will hear papers and discussions on the chemistry of grass crops, surface phenomena and magnetic properties and chemical constitution. The geologists and anthropologists will hold a joint discussion on "Early Man in East Anglia." In Section D—Zoology—there is to be a discussion on the centenary of the landing of Darwin on the Galapagos Islands and the birth of the Darwinian hypothesis of the origin of species. Papers will also be read in this section on "The Problem of the Herring" and animal migration.

The Section of Economic Science and Statistics has an agenda which includes, among other questions, the chronology of the world crisis, economic aspects of diet, population problems since Malthus, problems of amalgamation and decentralization and probable future trends of scientific management in Great Britain. The Sections of Physiology and Psychology will