

DR. THOR ROTHSTEIN, formerly professor of neurology at Rush Medical College, Chicago, died on February 20 at the age of seventy-two years.

RICHARD C. MCGREGOR, the managing editor of *The Philippine Journal of Science*, died on December

30 at the age of sixty-five years. He served for many years as ornithologist of the Bureau of Science and made numerous trips through the Philippines collecting specimens of birds. He wrote a number of articles on birds and bird life. His two-volume monograph and check list of Philippine birds are standard works.

SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

TOUR OF EUROPEAN INDUSTRIAL LABORATORIES UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL

A TOUR of European laboratories in England, Germany and France for leaders in industry and banking from all sections of the United States has been arranged under the direction of the Division of Engineering and Industrial Research of the National Research Council, of which Maurice Holland is the director; Dr. Vannevar Bush, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is the chairman, and Howard A. Poillon, of New York, is the vice-chairman.

According to present preliminary plans, the group will sail from New York on May 14 on the *S. S. Champlain*. While in Europe this delegation of American business leaders will visit the scientific research laboratories of private industry representing eighteen major fields, as well as the laboratories of governments, universities and trade associations.

This is the fourth educational tour of research laboratories conducted by the division for American executives. The other three projects, which were participated in by many business leaders, were tours to industrial and university laboratories in the United States. These were held in 1930, 1931 and 1935 under the direction of Mr. Holland.

While preliminary plans for the European tour have been under way for several years, details and the final program will be worked out by an advisory committee composed of industrialists and bankers who were members of the past tours. Invitations for the trip are now being sent to industrialists and bankers who are interested in research.

While in Europe organizations such as the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research in England, the Verein Deutscher Ingenieure in Germany, the Sorbonne in France and others will be hosts. Membership in the party will be limited to a hundred in accordance with the request of several of the European engineering and scientific groups.

Members of the executive committee of the Division of Engineering and Industrial Research of the National Research Council are: Carl Breer, V. Bush, F. O. Clements, Galen H. Clevenger, E. S. Fickes, R. C. H. Heck, Frank B. Jewett, Fred Lavis, F. B. Llewellyn and Howard A. Poillon.

THE NORTH CAROLINA MEETING OF THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

THE annual meeting of the American Chemical Society will be held at the University of North Carolina from April 12 to 16. Programs will be presented for all divisions except Fertilizer Chemistry, the History of Chemistry, Leather and Gelatin Chemistry and Petroleum Chemistry. The preliminary program gives the following details:

The Division of Agricultural and Food Chemistry will meet all day Tuesday in joint session with the Divisions of Biological Chemistry and Medicinal Chemistry in a Symposium on the Vitamin B Complex. On Wednesday afternoon, the same divisions will cooperate in a Symposium on Vitamins Other than Those of the B Complex. On Wednesday morning, the Division of Agricultural and Food Chemistry alone will hold a Symposium on Flavors in Foods and Food Products and on Thursday morning a session for the presentation of general papers. The divisional luncheon will be held Thursday noon.

The Division of Biological Chemistry joins with the Divisions of Agricultural and Food Chemistry and Medicinal Chemistry in a Tuesday Symposium on the Vitamin B Complex and a Wednesday afternoon program on Vitamins Other than Those of the B Complex. On Wednesday and Thursday mornings divisional papers on other subjects will be presented.

The Division of Cellulose Chemistry will have a general symposium on Tuesday covering the present-day knowledge in certain fields of cellulose chemistry; the fields to be covered are not yet defined. General papers will be given in two Wednesday sessions.

The Division of Chemical Education will hold three sessions for the presentation of general papers, including an informal colloquium on the teaching of qualitative analysis.

The Division of Colloid Chemistry may cooperate with the Division of Cellulose Chemistry in its Tuesday symposium on present-day knowledge in certain fields of cellulose chemistry. On Wednesday two sessions will be held for presentation of general papers.

The Division of Gas and Fuel Chemistry will present a general program in two sessions.

The Division of Industrial Engineering Chemistry expects to schedule a large number and wide variety of general papers.

The Division of Medicinal Chemistry will join with the Divisions of Agricultural and Food Chemistry and Biological Chemistry on Tuesday in a Symposium on the Vitamin B Complex and on Wednesday afternoon in a