

N. Y., died on March 20 at the age of seventy-nine years.

WINFRED W. BRAMAN, until his retirement last October associate professor of animal nutrition at the Pennsylvania State College, died on March 24 in his sixty-third year.

EDWARD P. BURRELL, director of engineering for the

Warner and Swasey Company, Cleveland, manufacturers of precision instruments and machinery, died on March 21 at the age of sixty-six years. He directed designing on the large telescopes built by the company during the last twenty years.

COLONEL C. G. THOMSON, superintendent of the Yosemite National Park, died on March 23. He was fifty-four years old.

SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

A PROPOSED SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY FOR NEW YORK CITY

MAYOR LA GUARDIA of New York City has announced that the capital outlay budget for the coming year will provide funds for the opening this autumn of the new city college in the Borough of Queens, to be housed in the buildings formerly occupied by the Queens Parental School near Flushing. The budget contains an item of \$424,000 for the necessary reconstruction and equipment of the buildings. The mayor is reported to have said:

I would like to have one of our city colleges specialized as a school of technology, perhaps called the New York School of Technology. They tell me that the College of the City of New York is admirably equipped for this and could be utilized. Its mechanical equipment is adequate now, but it is short on laboratory equipment.

Another of the schools should specialize in government. It should be for government in all its branches and for all classes of employees. It would train in various branches of government such as finance, taxation, government accounting. There would be courses of clerical classes for those interested in going into this branch of government service and making a career of it.

Engineering as it applies to government, such as ferry operation and the like, would be taught. So would management and government purchasing methods. I wouldn't object to the training of young men who would enter the school with the idea of becoming policemen.

The plan has been submitted by the mayor to a few members of the Board of Higher Education, the non-salaried agency which controls the city's colleges. These members are to present it to the board for study and action. Mayor La Guardia continued:

This city has 7,000,000 population and is committed to the policy of free education; that is, I am. States with not anywhere near as large a population as this city have free state universities.

In New York City we have a transportation problem in connection with the colleges which we try to work out by routing the students against traffic, but, even so, attendance is difficult to many.

I think, too, that the city colleges have set an unreasonably high average mark as their entrance requirement, but

this has been more or less necessary because the existing city colleges are overcrowded. The new college in Queens will take care of this. Whether or not the new Queens college is to be a general college will be up to the Board of Higher Education.

The mayor pointed out that City College, Hunter College and Brooklyn College are all overcrowded, a condition which will be eased when the new Queens College is opened. Any changes that may be made will not interfere with students now on the college rolls. None of them would be required to change the institution at which they are now studying.

HONORARY FELLOWSHIPS FOR STUDENT EXECUTIVES AT THE MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

PRESIDENT KARL T. COMPTON, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has announced the details of a plan for the preparation of young executives for business and industrial positions. This is the continuation of a five-year experimental program which has proved of value not only to the students but to industry as well.

It is proposed to establish a system of honorary fellowships sponsored by thirty-five distinguished business and industrial executives. Beginning in June, fifteen students on leave of absence from their employers will begin a twelve months' intensive program of study consisting of a summer session and a year of graduate education. The selection is now being made from a large group of technically trained men in business and industry. The fellowships will be awarded by invitation only to men of exceptional executive promise, intellectual capacity and physical resource. They will come from the more mature group of younger executives who have had several years of industrial experience following collegiate training in science or engineering.

The establishment of the program is made possible by an anonymous gift of \$25,000, providing for scholarship stipends of \$1,450 for single men and \$1,950 for married students. The course will lead to the degree of master of science in business and engineering administration.