lems, together with a discussion of the extent to which governmental agencies engage in and promote scientific investigations.

Paper 2. The Future of Science in Relation to Government

A discussion of the problems involved in intro-

ducing the scientific spirit into governmental organization and enterprise and of the ways in which scientific bodies might contribute toward this end.

FIFTH CONFERENCE (DECEMBER, 1939)
SCIENCE AND HUMAN BEINGS
(Outline not as yet prepared)

## SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

## DEDICATION OF THE NEW BUILDING OF THE COLLEGE OF MEDICINE OF SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

The new building for the College of Medicine of Syracuse University will be dedicated on November 22. It is the fourth unit in the plan started in 1935 to construct a hospital and educational center adjoining the campus. Units completed are the Syracuse Memorial Hospital, a state psychopathic hospital and the communicable disease hospital. These institutions are affiliated with the College of Medicine. The cost of the new building was \$825,000. It includes six large student laboratories for physiology, bacteriology, chemistry, pathology, anatomy and pharmacology in addition to research laboratories for members of the faculty. There is an auditorium on the first floor, seating 400 persons.

The building is of English Georgian design and was planned by the late James Russell Pope and by Dwight James Baum, of New York City. It conforms in architecture with the building of the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. The latter building is to be dedicated ten days before the medical building.

Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, president of Stanford University, will be the principal speaker at the dedication exercises. Other speakers will be Dr. Henry A. Christian, of Harvard University, who will represent the practice of medicine, and Dr. Edward S. Godfrey, Jr., commissioner of the State Department of Health, who will represent the field of public health. Alumni of the College of Medicine will meet in the new building on November 20 and the building will be open for public inspection on Sunday.

President Roosevelt laid the cornerstone for the new building in 1936 and it was constructed from funds from a Public Works Administration loan. The College of Medicine is 103 years old, having been established at Geneva in 1834. It was moved to Syracuse as a division of the university in 1871.

## RESEARCH GRANTS OF THE PHILADEL-PHIA COLLEGE OF PHARMACY AND SCIENCE

Dr. Arno Viehoever, director of the Gross Laboratory for Biological and Biochemical Research of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science, has announced the receipt of two research grants.

The first of these is a fellowship established by Merck and Company, manufacturing chemists of Rahway, N. J. The research is to be carried out under the direction of Dr. Viehoever with the assistance of Dr. I. Cohen of the laboratory staff. The Gross Laboratory, which developed and improved the technique in the evaluation of potent drugs, using the minute transparent laboratory test animal, Daphnia, will apply this method to work with the factor in wheat germ oil, Vitamin E.

Simultaneously with the award of this grant, the college, through Dean Charles H. LaWall, announced the establishment of a graduate fellowship for study and research under the program embraced by the Gross Laboratory. This grant, personally established by Dr. Joseph Rosin, vice-president and chief chemist of Merck and Company, includes all fees and a stipend for a student pursuing work leading to a graduate degree. Students, preferably those who have earned baccalaureate degrees in chemistry, should communicate with Dr. J. W. Sturmer, dean of science, who may be addressed in care of the college.

The Gross Laboratory, at which the research will be carried out, was established in 1934. It is supported by William H. Gross, of Philadelphia. The laboratory is situated at 4212 Kingsessing Avenue, near to the other buildings of the institution. Researches in this laboratory are devoted to the advancement of biological and biochemical knowledge.

## CONFERENCE ON THE PHYTOHORMONES

A CONFERENCE on the subject of phytohormones was held at the International Institute of Intellectual Cooperation, Paris, on October 1 and 2. This meeting, which was organized by the International Institute of Intellectual Cooperation and the International Union of Biological Sciences, is the first of a series that will be held in the course of the coming months to discuss a variety of questions such as "The New Vitamins," "The Nomenclature of Genetics," "The Double Electric Layer," etc., subjects included in the plan of work of the International Council of Scientific Unions, which acts as a Committee of Scientific Advisers to the institute.

The meeting was held under the chairmanship of Professor P. Boysen Jensen and discussed the following reports:

Chemistry of Phytohormones and Other Growth Substances, Professor F. Kögl.

Phytohormones in the Different Plant Groups, Professor Niels Nielsen.