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### THE FIELD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

THE Field Museum, Chicago, received more than 1,280,000 visitors during 1937. Clifford C. Gregg, who became acting director in January after the death of Stephen C. Simms, in reviewing the first year of his directorship pointed out that about ninety-three per cent. of the visitors to the museum are admitted free of charge.

During the year the exhibits in all departments were augmented by new installations. Due to the continued shortage of museum revenues, expeditions were limited and those that were undertaken were made possible only by special contributions. The archeological expedition to the Southwest, under the leadership of Dr. Paul S. Martin, chief curator of anthropology, charted and excavated prehistoric Indian sites in southwestern Colorado. The botanical expedition to southeastern Mexico, conducted by Llewelyn Williams, curator of economic botany, collected some 8,000 plants and 600 wood specimens in the Isthmus of Tehuantepec and parts of the states of Oaxaca and Veracruz. Important fossil mammal specimens were collected in Colorado by the paleontological expedition under the leadership of Assistant Curator Bryan Patterson. Dr. Wilfred H. Osgood, chief curator of the department of zoology, spent several months in French Indo-China, during which he collected some 500 mammal, bird and reptile specimens. A zoological expedition to South America, in charge of Emmet R. Blake, assistant curator of birds, spent the entire year collecting birds, mammals and reptiles in British Guiana and Brazil. Staff Taxidermist C. J. Albrecht spent several months in the Pribilof Islands, near Alaska, collecting material for a proposed habitat group of fur seals. Karl P. Schmidt, curator of reptiles, collected snakes, lizards and other reptiles and amphibians in Arizona, California and Texas. Alfred C. Weed, curator of fishes, conducted a seagoing expedition along the coast of Maine. Sharat K. Roy, curator of geology, collected rock specimens illustrating structural features of the earth in mountainous regions of Colorado. Associate Curator J. Francis Macbride continued a botanical project that has been under way in Europe since 1929; and further field work was carried on by various other members of the museum staff.

The N. W. Harris Public School Extension department concluded the twenty-fifth year of its service since it was founded by the late Norman Wait Harris. The James Nelson and Anna Louise Raymond Foundation, founded and endowed in 1925 by Mrs. James Nelson Raymond, reached approximately 225,000 children during 1937. The Field Museum Press issued

twenty-seven scientific publications, and a number of leaflets for lay readers. Extensive use was made of the museum library, which contains 105,000 volumes on natural history subjects.

Cooperation with the Federal Works Progress Administration was continued. Employment through the year was given to from 175 to 200 men and women. All regular employees of the museum's staff, however, continued with their usual work.

### THE WESTINGHOUSE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

THE Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company has announced the establishment of ten post-graduate fellowships for research in physics, including chemical physics and physical metallurgy, the fellows to carry on their work in the research laboratories of the company. It is planned to appoint five fellows for 1938-1939 and five more each succeeding year. Dr. E. U. Condon, associate professor of physics at Princeton University, has been appointed associate director of the research laboratories of the company.

The objects in establishing the fellowships are described in the official announcement in part as follows:

(1) To make a worth-while contribution to the development of the fundamental sciences on which modern industry is based. The company feels that all research leading to a better understanding of the nature of matter and energy will ultimately prove valuable to technology even though its immediate field of application is not apparent.

(2) To enable a group of able investigators to become familiar with the scientific problems confronting the electrical industry. It is felt that this contact will be of great value whether the men turn to industrial research or to academic work after completion of their fellowship period.

Fellows will devote their entire time to work on their research project at the Westinghouse Research Laboratories in East Pittsburgh. It is expected that they will also participate actively in the seminars and colloquia held at the laboratories and in the neighboring institutions of higher education. Fellows are allowed the usual two weeks' vacation at the end of each year, together with liberal time for attendance at scientific meetings and for visits to other laboratories. Appointments are made for a period of one year and fellows are eligible for one reappointment for a like period. The salary will be paid semi-monthly at the rate of \$2,400 a year.

The laboratories are organized in six divisions: mechanics, electromechanics, electrophysics, chemical and metallurgical, magnetic and insulation. In the interest of efficiency it is desired to confine the fields of work to those for which the laboratories are well equipped. Preference will be given to projects