

chemistry, and will also house the Crocker Institute for Cancer Research.

Dr. Willard C. Rappleye, dean of the School of Medicine, has made the following statement:

Besides permitting an increase in the enrolment of candidates for the highest medical degree, doctor of medical science, the new laboratories will provide opportunities for a considerable number of others who, in the course of their medical training, wish to work on special problems requiring such laboratory facilities.

The new building, which will serve as a nucleus of the graduate program of the school, will accommodate residents in hospitals affiliated with the university as well as those who are working in the hospitals of the Medical Center. In view of the changes which are taking place in the requirements for specialization, it is increasingly important for specialty services to provide time during the residency period for training such as this school will shortly be prepared to offer.

During the past few years there has been a noteworthy increase in the number of graduating students who plan to spend longer periods than heretofore in hospital work before entering medical practice. The undergraduate student of to-day is looking further ahead and seeking opportunities for a more extensive and complete training in graduate fields. This is particularly true of those who plan to enter some special field in medicine but applies also to those who expect to become general practitioners.

Within our own organization certain changes have been made in the internship and residency programs in order to keep pace with this growing trend. These changes include lengthening of the term of hospital residencies in certain instances, the introduction of more conferences and seminars for the benefit of the hospital house staff, and provision for greater freedom on the part of the resident to pursue studies in some special field of laboratory and investigative work.

THE SAVANNAH MEETING OF THE ELECTROCHEMICAL SOCIETY

THE spring meeting of the Electrochemical Society will be held at the Hotel De Soto, Savannah, Ga., from April 27 to 30.

There will be two main sessions: Thursday morning will be devoted to a symposium on "Physical Chemistry in the Pulp and Paper Industry," which will be presided over by Charles Carpenter, of the Industrial Committee of Savannah, Inc. The topics which will be treated in this session are: "The Chemistry of Pulp-
ing of Wood," "The Physical Chemistry of Sizing and Filling of Paper," "The Chemistry of Woodpulp-Bleaching," "The Mechanism of Cellulose Reactions," "The Chemistry of Chlorine and Hypochlorites," etc.

A second symposium on "Industrial Electro-Osmosis" will be held on Saturday morning, when Professor H. Jermain Creighton, of Swarthmore College, will preside. The Friday morning session will be de-

voted to papers on electrodeposition and miscellaneous subjects.

Dr. Charles H. Herty, who has been conducting experiments in his Pulp and Paper Laboratory at Savannah for the past five years, will deliver the fifth Joseph W. Richards memorial address on Thursday evening. The discussion at the luncheons will be under the direction of the divisions of the society. The luncheon on Thursday will be devoted to "Electrothermics"; on Friday to "Electrodeposition," and on Saturday to "Electronics."

Arrangements have been made for members of the society to visit Dr. Herty's laboratory and the industrial plants in the Savannah district, including the Southern Cotton Oil Company, the Union Bag and Paper Corporation, the Reliance Fertilizer Company and the Savannah Sugar Refining Corporation.

RETIREMENT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE NEW YORK STATE EXPERIMENT STATION AT GENEVA

THE fifty-sixth annual report on the work of the State Experiment Station at Geneva has been issued. This is the last report to be prepared by Dr. U. P. Hedrick, who will retire on January 15, having reached the age of sixty-eight years. He has been a member of the staff for more than thirty years, becoming director of the station in 1928.

Dr. Hedrick is succeeded by Professor Percival J. Parrott, entomologist, since 1929 vice-director of the station. Dr. Parrott will be the seventh director of the experiment station since its opening fifty-five years ago.

The report covers the activities of the experiment station for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1937, and in addition to the sections dealing with the scientific work of the eight research divisions, contains a financial statement and a list of all publications prepared by members of the staff during the period covered by the report.

In view of this being his final report as director, Dr. Hedrick takes occasion to review particularly developments which have marked the nine years of his administration. Among the items discussed are the reorganization of the research program, including the establishment of new divisions of vegetable crops, plant pathology and seed investigations; the erection of a new laboratory building and new greenhouses; celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the station; and increases in the staff appropriations, fellowships and cooperative arrangements for experimental work.

Under the administration of Dr. Hedrick improvement in the appearance of the grounds was made possible very largely by labor supplied through various relief agencies and by donations of plants, trees and