

RECENT DEATHS

DR. HANS ZINSSER, professor of bacteriology at the Harvard Medical School, died on September 4 in his sixty-second year.

DR. PHOEBUS AARON THEODORE LEVENE, member of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research from 1907 to 1939, died on September 6 at the age of seventy-one years.

DR. FREDERICK PATTISON WEAVER, since 1925 pro-

fessor of agricultural economics at the Pennsylvania State College, died on September 5 in his sixty-eighth year.

DR. MAUDE E. S. ABBOTT, assistant professor of medicine at McGill University, died on September 2 at the age of seventy-one years.

WILLIAM LASH MILLER, head of the department of chemistry, University of Toronto, died on September 1 at the age of seventy-three years.

SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

THE HALL OF ETHNOLOGY OF THE MUSEUM OF NEW MEXICO

THE Museum of New Mexico, Santa Fe, has been given, according to *Museum News*, the old Santa Fe Armory, adjoining the Palace of the Governors on Washington Avenue, and is remodeling it for use as a hall of ethnology. The property was assigned to the museum by act of the State Legislature, which also appropriated \$10,000 for remodeling. The WPA is supplying the labor. Plans for remodeling, in the Pueblo style, were drawn by John Gaw Meem. The entire structure will be given over to ethnology. The entrance hall, 20 by 55 feet, will be arranged as a hall of man, with a series of life-size busts showing the evolution of the human race and a series of racial group busts, supplemented by an evolutionary series of implements and tools. The main exhibit hall, 50 by 75 feet and containing 3,750 square feet of exhibition space, will illustrate the living Indians of the Southwest and their cultural attainments. Through the center will be a series of models of Indian dwelling types and a kiva, with appropriate native life. Around three sides of the hall alcoves will contain exhibits of silversmithing and turquoise work, weaving, basketry, leather and bead work, ceremonial items, paintings, pottery, grinding and native economy and a typical pueblo room. Wall cases forming the alcove boundaries will carry charts, diagrams and photographs. In the alcoves Indians will carry out the pursuits of the alcove themes, a few at a time, for the double purpose of encouraging the Indians and showing visitors how things are actually done. A small room off this large hall will be used for special rotating exhibits of comparative material from the Americas. The second floor space will be used for the curator's office, private laboratory, office for assistants in the department, laboratory of physical anthropology and rest room. The full basement will contain a fireproof vault, dustproof storage for ceramic collections, two dustproof storage rooms for basketry and miscellaneous material, temporary storage for skeletal material from excavations, preparator's laboratory, janitor's room and public rest rooms.

Out-of-doors at the back of the building will be a small placita with a modern Pueblo oven for baking bread and space for a pottery-firing kiln. Miss Bertha Dutton has been appointed curator in charge of the newly established department of ethnology.

GOVERNMENT POSITIONS UNDER THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

APPLICATIONS must be on file by September 16 with the United States Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C., for the position of assistant curator of ethnology in the National Museum, Smithsonian Institution, at a salary of \$3,200 a year. An existing vacancy in this position in Washington and future vacancies in positions requiring similar qualifications will be filled from this examination, unless it is found in the interest of the service to fill any vacancy by reinstatement, transfer or promotion.

An examination to secure specialists in conference planning for the Office of Education is also announced. The salary is \$4,600 a year. Applicants must have completed a 4-year college course and must have had administrative experience or highly responsible experience in organization work. In addition, they must have had experience in planning and conducting formal conferences, forums or other group activities for the purpose of discussion of public affairs. Writing experience in the field of education of adults in public affairs is also necessary. Examinations to secure personnel technicians for Government service cover the following grades: Personnel technician (test and measurements), \$3,800 a year; also senior, \$4,600 a year; associate, \$3,200 a year; assistant, \$2,600 a year, and junior, \$2,000 a year.

Examinations are also announced covering two grades in naval architecture and marine engineering, as follows: Principal, \$5,600 a year; senior, \$4,600 a year. Applications may be filed until June 30, 1941. Qualified persons are urged to apply at once. Examinations for lower-grade naval architect and marine engineering positions were announced in June and the commission still is accepting applications for these positions.