

vatory. Other addresses were made by William S. Linderman, president of the Buhl Foundation; Charles L. Lewis, director of the foundation and president of the planetarium, and Arthur L. Draper, director of the planetarium. The dedicatory program included a radio program by Dr. Shapley and Mr. Draper; a showing of the exhibit, "Can America Be Bombed?" from the Science Museum of the Saint Paul Institute, and a preview of a new sky show, "Bombers by Starlight," depicting by special apparatus, designed by the planetarium staff, the balloon barrage, blackout, fires started by bombs, glider and parachute attacks, and masses of aircraft overhead, with realistic sound effects recorded in London and Dover.

#### THE LIBRARY OF THE MARINE BIOLOGICAL LABORATORY AT WOODS HOLE

THE Carnegie Corporation of New York has recently granted to the Marine Biological Laboratory the sum of \$25,000 to be used primarily to complete various back sets of journals and to add to its collection of books, particularly those which may be termed "classics" in biology and allied sciences. By means of this gift, the library, already notable for its periodicals, books and reprints, will presently be able to provide investigators with complete runs of all the important biological journals, and of many covering chemistry, physics, paleontology, radiology, medicine and other sciences allied to biology.

During recent years the library has enjoyed rapid growth. In 1920 the number of serials received was 153; now it is 1,257. The collection of reprints has increased from 8,500 to 120,000. So great was the expansion that the stack space provided in the building erected in 1925, and supposedly adequate for many years, was completely filled in 1940. At that time, the Rockefeller Foundation provided funds for a much-needed addition. The building, which more than doubles the original space, was quickly completed, and the serials and reprints were spread out in their more adequate quarters before the summer session of 1941. Every effort has been made to enable the reader to find for himself the volume that he wants. The journals are arranged in alphabetical order, and the reprints filed under the author's name. A complete bibliography of the author is thus instantly available. Commodious and well-lighted tables are conveniently located on each of the stack tiers in the new wing.

The library is in constant use, day and night, by those who are carrying on active research, and by an increasing number of those who come for the sole purpose of consulting biological literature. Thanks

to the generosity of the Carnegie and Rockefeller Foundations, which have in former years greatly helped the Marine Biological Laboratory, the library is now adequately housed, and is enabled to increase its usefulness to the investigator.

#### THE MEDICAL MUSEUM OF THE ROCHESTER ACADEMY OF MEDICINE

ACCORDING to the *Journal* of the American Medical Association, the Rochester Academy of Medicine rededicated its medical museum to Dr. John R. Williams, chairman of the museum commission, on November 16. A reception to guests opened the program and speakers included Dr. William J. Merle Scott, president of the academy; Dr. George H. Whipple, professor of pathology and dean, University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry; Dr. Walter B. Cannon, George Higginson professor of physiology and head of the department, Harvard Medical School, and Dr. Williams. The museum and auditorium are located in a new wing adjoining the academy, which was the gift in 1938 of the daughters of E. P. Lyon, in memory of their parents. A feature of the medical museum is a memorial frieze in which is recognized the fundamental contributions made by twenty-four North American scientific men in the past hundred and fifty years. Those honored in the frieze are: Dr. Benjamin Rush, Philadelphia; Dr. William Beaumont, St. Louis; Dr. Crawford W. Long, Athens, Ga.; Dr. William T. G. Morton, New York; Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, Cambridge, Mass.; Dr. Ephraim McDowell, Danville, Ky.; Dr. Silas Weir Mitchell, Philadelphia; Dr. Edward L. Trudeau, Saranac Lake, N. Y.; Dr. Theobald Smith, Princeton, N. J.; Dr. Howard T. Ricketts, Chicago; Dr. Hans Zinsser, Boston; Dr. Harvey Cushing, New Haven, Conn.; Lafayette B. Mendel, New Haven, Conn.; Elmer V. McCollum, Baltimore; Dr. William C. Gorgas, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Walter Reed, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Abraham Jacobi, New York; Dr. William Osler, Oxford, England; Dr. Walter B. Cannon, Boston; Dr. James B. Herrick, Chicago; Dr. Frederick G. Banting, Toronto; Dr. Charles H. Best, Toronto; Dr. George R. Minot, Boston, and Dr. Whipple.

Another feature is a mural in which is portrayed the contributions of medicine to modern civilization. There are in the museum twenty-three glass cases of priceless memorabilia. In 1936 the medical museum of the Rochester Academy of Medicine was organized as a division of the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences.