

of pharmacy at the same institution from 1891 to 1904. From 1904 to 1907 he was an analytical chemist in Boston. He was then called to head the analytical department of Parke, Davis and Company in Detroit, in which capacity he served until his retirement in 1934.

Dr. Scoville held many important positions in national pharmaceutical bodies. He was a member of the Revision Committee of the U. S. Pharmacopoeia from 1900 to 1940. He served as vice-chairman of that committee during the period 1920-30. He was a member of the Committee of Revision of the National Formulary for the third, fourth, fifth and sixth editions. He served as chairman of the latter for the fourth and fifth revisions. His work on these two national standards for the purity of drugs was outstanding.

Dr. Scoville was awarded many honors, including the honorary doctor of science degree from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in 1927, the honorary master of pharmacy degree from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy in 1929, the Ebert Prize in 1923 and the Remington Medal in 1929. He was an honorary member of the Pennsylvania Pharmaceutical Association and the Michigan Pharmaceutical Association. He was a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Chemical Society and the American Pharmaceutical Association. He had been a member of the latter for more

than fifty years. Dr. Scoville was the author of a widely used pharmaceutical text-book on the "Art of Compounding." The deceased is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lillie W. Scoville, two daughters, Mrs. Ralph D. Pearson, of Royal Oak, Mich., and Mrs. Thomas G. Spriggs, of Detroit, Mich., and four grandchildren.

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RECENT DEATHS

DR. ARTHUR NEWELL TALBOT, emeritus professor of municipal and sanitary engineering at the University of Illinois, died on April 3, at the age of eighty-four years.

JEROME HINDS RAMSKILL, professor of forestry at the University of Montana, died on March 31. He was sixty years old.

DR. JOSEPH BOLIVAR DE LEE, emeritus professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Chicago, died on April 2, at the age of seventy-two years.

FRANCIS JAMES SELBY, from 1918 to 1932 secretary of the National Physical Laboratory, Great Britain, died on March 5, at the age of seventy-four years. He joined the staff of the laboratory in 1903 and was in charge of tide-prediction from 1903 to 1919 and of optics from 1903 to 1909. He was secretary of the Advisory Committee for Aeronautics from 1909 to 1919.

SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

THE INSTITUTE OF FOOD TECHNOLOGY

THE third annual meeting of the Institute of Food Technology will open at the Hotel Nicollet, Minneapolis, on June 15. There will be four half-day sessions, two luncheon sessions and one round-table session.

Dr. J. C. Drummond, chief scientific adviser of the British Ministry of Food, is one of the speakers at the opening session, which is devoted to various aspects of food technology.

Monday afternoon will be given over to papers on substitute materials for food processing, on Tuesday morning the dehydration of foods will be discussed, and packaging and materials will be the subject in the afternoon.

"Industrial Sabotage," by C. W. Stein, F.B.I., special agent in charge, St. Paul, Minn., will be discussed at the Monday luncheon and "Labor Relations and the Food Technologist," by N. W. Shefferman, of Sears, Roebuck and Company, Chicago, at the Tuesday luncheon session. The subject of the round-table discussion on Wednesday morning is "Educational Requirements of Food Technologists." Industrial plant

trips will be arranged for those not attending the round-table session.

The address of the president, L. V. Burton, will be delivered at the banquet on Tuesday evening, when presentation will be made of the first Nicholas Appert Medal Award, sponsored by the Chicago Section of the institute.

The Institute of Food Technologists was organized in Cambridge, Mass., in July, 1939, at the close of the Second Conference on Food Technology, held under the auspices of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Its officers are: *Retiring-President*, Dr. S. C. Prescott, dean of science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; *President*, Dr. L. V. Burton, editor of *Food Industries*, New York, N. Y.; *Vice-president*, Dr. E. H. Harvey, director of research, Anheuser-Busch, Inc., St. Louis, Mo.; *Secretary-Treasurer*, Dr. G. J. Hucker, N. Y. State Agricultural Experiment Station, Geneva, N. Y.

The institute's first meeting was held in Chicago from June 16 to 19, 1940, and its second meeting was in Pittsburgh, Pa., from June 15 to 18 of last year. Its growing membership consists of more than 1,200

chemists, bacteriologists, process engineers and others similarly trained or experienced in the manufacture, preservation and handling of food.

THE ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE GEOLOGY TEACHERS

ON Friday and Saturday, April 24 and 25, Principia College at Elsah, Ill., will be host to visiting geologists from some fourteen colleges in the Middle West at the fifth annual meeting of the Association of College Geology Teachers. Dr. Percival Robertson, professor of geology at Principia and vice-president of the association, is in charge of the program.

On Friday, after inspection of the geology department and facilities of the college, a picnic luncheon will be held along the Mississippi River. The afternoon program includes presentation of papers and informal discussion on topics relating to the contributions of geologists and geology students to the war program, more effective teaching techniques and problems common to the teachers of geology in smaller institutions. In the evening the group will be guests of the college at a banquet. On Saturday morning a short field trip to survey the Pleistocene history of the region and to collect fossils from some of the Paleozoic formations will complete the schedule.

The association was formed in the fall of 1937 by a group of its present members, who met in the field at the annual Tri-State Field Conference of Geologists from Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin. The first meeting was held at Augustana College, Rock Island, Ill., in the spring of 1938 under the leadership of Professor Fritiof Fryxell, of Augustana College, its first president. Since then Cornell, Beloit and Lawrence Colleges have been hosts to the association.

The purposes of the association are: to foster unity and cooperation among college teachers in the earth sciences; to promote high standards of college instruction in this field; to emphasize the cultural significance of earth sciences, and to disseminate accurate geologic knowledge to the public. Papers presented at the meetings are devoted to consideration of problems and procedures in attaining these ends, rather than to presentation of new research results in geologic investigations. Any college faculty member whose duties involve the teaching of some aspect of earth science is eligible for election to membership.

A committee of the association has prepared a comprehensive list of popular and semi-popular books on geologic subjects that has proved useful as a guide to leisure reading for the layman and as collateral reading for the non-professional student. Another valuable service of the organization to its membership is the exchange of geologic specimens and teaching materials, which is a feature of the annual meetings.

Teachers of earth sciences in other colleges of the

Middle West who may be interested in membership are urged to communicate with Dr. Lincoln R. Thiesmeyer, associate professor of geology at the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, who is president of the association. The establishment of branches in other sections of the country is also under consideration.

Those wishing to attend the coming meeting should communicate with Professor Percival Robertson, department of geology, The Principia, Elsah, Ill., or with the secretary, David M. Delo, Knox College, Galesburg, Ill., to make arrangements for meals and lodging accommodations.

THE NINETEENTH COLLOID SYMPOSIUM

THOSE planning to attend the Boulder, Colo., Colloid Symposium, held under the auspices of the Committee of Colloid Science of the National Research Council and the Colloid Symposium Committee of the Colloid Division of the American Chemical Society, will be interested in knowing of housing facilities in and near Boulder. Early reservations are advised, since Colorado is a popular vacation center, and no one knows what to expect in the way of travel this summer. The University of Colorado Summer Session, usually enrolling over 4,000, promises to be large in addition to the fact that numerous conventions will be held in Boulder.

Rooms at the Boulderado Hotel, the Albany Hotel and the Monticello Hotel range from \$1.25 single to \$4.50 double. Blanchard's Lodge is situated three and a half miles up Boulder Canyon and has both rooms and cottages available at prices ranging from \$1.25 single to \$3.00 double.

Estes Park and Estes Park Village are thirty-one miles to the northwest of Boulder on a beautiful, paved, easy ascent mountain highway, and Denver is thirty-two miles southeast on a paved, plains highway. Good hotels are available at both places. The Boulder, Estes Park or Denver Chambers of Commerce will be pleased to send descriptive literature, lists of hotels and cottage camps to any one writing to them.

Information in regard to housing facilities can be obtained from the hotels. Other information regarding the symposium can be obtained from Dr. Frank E. E. Germann, Boulder, Colorado.

PACIFIC DIVISION OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE

THE twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Pacific Division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the one hundred and eleventh meeting of the association will be held at Salt Lake City from June 15 to 20. It will be sponsored by the Utah Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters, the