

The picture of Russia I always like to remember is that of my friend Sonia among the children trying to ensure that their lives may be happier than hers has

been. There surely we have a solid foundation on which fruitful Anglo-Russian friendship can be founded.

SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

DEATHS AND MEMORIALS

HENRY GRANGER KNIGHT, since 1927 chief of the Bureau of Chemistry and Soils of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, died on July 13, at the age of sixty-three years.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM JOHN PETERS, formerly chief magnetic observer of the Department of Terrestrial Magnetism of the Carnegie Institution of Washington, died on January 10, at the age of seventy-nine years.

HENRY GERBER REIST, who retired as chief of the alternating current engineering department of the General Electric Company in 1930, died on July 5. He was eighty years old.

DR. DAVID WILLIAM CORNELIUS, professor of physics at the University of Chattanooga, Tennessee, died on June 2, at the age of fifty-seven years.

DR. WILLIAM McCULLY JAMES, for twenty-six years chief of the Hospital of Panama and of the Herriek Clinic, died on July 10, aged sixty-two years.

CHARLES CARMICHAEL ARTHUR MONRO, assistant keeper in charge of Annelids in the zoological department of the British Museum (Natural History), died on June 21.

ACCORDING to *Nature*, it has been announced that among the Czechoslovak patriots recently executed by the Germans are a university dean and two professors, several secondary schoolmasters and a number of young men described as university students, although the universities have been closed for nearly two years. One of the professors was Professor Jaromir Šamal, formerly professor of entomology in the Prague College of Agriculture, whose work had considerable local importance through his books in Czech on the anatomy and life-history of insects, on their ecology and their economic importance. Dr. Šamal was forty-one years of age.

THE *Journal* of the American Medical Association reports that an annual W. J. and C. H. Mayo Memorial Lectureship in the field of medicine and surgery has been established at the Medical School of Dartmouth College, by Dr. and Mrs. Waltman Walters, Rochester, Minn. The memorial is established as "a stimulating factor in interesting men in medicine and surgery; particularly to call attention to the accom-

plishments of Drs. W. J. and C. H. Mayo in these fields."

AWARDS OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH COUNCIL

SIXTY-FIVE awards, amounting to \$77,700, for the academic year 1942-43, have been announced by the Social Science Research Council. The awards provide for study and research in the fields of economics; political science; sociology; statistics; political, social and economic history; cultural anthropology; social psychology; geography and related disciplines.

Ten of the awards, carrying a basic stipend of from \$1,800 to \$2,500 for twelve months, plus travel allowance, cover post-doctoral research training fellowships to men and women under thirty-five years of age who possess the Ph.D. degree or its equivalent. These fellowships are granted for the purpose of enlarging the research training and equipment of promising young students in social science through advanced study and field experience.

Fifteen appointments are pre-doctoral field fellowships which carry a basic stipend of \$1,800 for twelve months plus travel allowance. The recipients are graduate students under thirty years of age who have completed all the requirements for the doctorate except the thesis. The purpose of these awards is to supplement formal graduate study by opportunities for field work which will assure first-hand familiarity with the data of social science in the making.

The remaining forty awards are research grants-in-aid designed to assist mature scholars in the completion of research already well under way. These grants average about \$400 and do not ordinarily exceed \$1,000. Nine of these appointments were made through a special fund specifically granted for the purpose of assisting and encouraging the research of social science faculties in the South. The objectives and requirements for eligibility are the same as those governing the national grants-in-aid, but applications are restricted to fourteen southern states.

RETIREMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS AT THE AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

A REORGANIZATION of departmental classifications in the American Museum of Natural History, with the retirement of four members of the scientific staff, was announced on July 16 by A. Perry Osborn, act-