

the Foundation recognizes its duty to arrange for these inventions to be handled in such manner as to bring the maximum benefit to the public. Such arrangements, provided the customs and policies of the sponsoring institution permit, and the research workers are agreeable, should include consideration of the following points: the inventions should be made available to industry and to the public on a reasonable basis; the patent should be used to enforce quality and safety, if necessary; conditions likely to exclude any qualified manufacturer from use of the invention, or likely to lead to litigation, should be avoided in so far as is reasonably possible. The primary objective of such patents as may be taken out under Foundation sponsorship is not to make money, but to enable the situation to be handled and, if necessary, controlled by the procedures duly constituted for such handling, in the public interest.

The following were elected members of the board of trustees:

L. A. Warren, president of Safeway Stores, Inc.  
 Charles P. McCormick, president of McCormick and Company.  
 Karl J. Monrad, vice-president of Chr. Hansen's Laboratory, Inc.  
 H. R. Drackett, president of The Drackett Company.  
 Frank Gerber, president of Gerber Products Company.  
 E. B. Cosgrove, president of the Minnesota Valley Canning Company.

E. B. Pickett, chief chemist in charge of research for the Beech-Nut Packing Company, was appointed a member of the Food Industries Advisory Committee.

The new subscriptions represent membership of the following: *Founder Member*, Safeway Stores, Inc., Oakland, Calif.; *Sustaining Members*: Gerber Products Company, Fremont, Mich.; Chr. Hansen's Laboratory, Inc., Little Falls, N. Y.; McCormick and Company, Baltimore, Md.; Minnesota Valley Canning Company, Le Sueur, Minn., and The Drackett Company, Cincinnati, Ohio.

The foundation is now supporting thirty-six nutrition research studies in twenty-two of the leading universities, and additional study awards will be made this fall. These studies are divided equally among three kinds of projects: (1) those having a direct relationship to the war emergency; (2) those having a direct relationship to public health; and (3) those that primarily advance the frontiers of the science of nutrition.

#### THE INDUSTRIAL NUTRITION ADVISORY SERVICE

THE U. S. Public Health Service, in cooperation with the Office of Defense Health and Welfare Services, is carrying out a national industrial nutrition program.

An industrial nutrition advisory service has been organized under the direction of Dr. W. H. Sebrell,

director, Division of Chemotherapy, U. S. Public Health Service, and deputy assistant administrator, Office of Defense Health and Welfare Services, and M. L. Wilson, assistant administrator, Office of Defense Health and Welfare Services.

This service will provide practical recommendations to both government owned plants and private industries to meet specific industrial nutrition problems which may affect production by increasing absences and accidents. Requests which have already been received from private industries indicate their interest in the possibility of cutting down lost man-hours of production and accidents through solving some of the problems of industrial nutrition.

Dr. Robert S. Goodhart, of New York City, who recently received his appointment in the U. S. Public Health Service, will direct the nutrition advisory service to industry. As a member of the National Research Council Committee on Nutrition in Industry, Dr. Goodhart has visited industrial plants in many parts of the country.

Assisting Dr. Sebrell and Dr. Goodhart will be Dr. Mark Graubard, the biochemist, formerly of Columbia and Clark Universities, who has studied food habits and customs of peoples in many parts of the world, and Ernestine Perry, formerly of Springfield, Mass., who directed one of the country's first industrial nutrition community campaigns and is author of a folder and book on food for war workers.

There are committees in forty-eight states and the District of Columbia, 2,500 county committees and community nutrition committees already functioning throughout the country with the advisory service of regional nutrition representatives of the Office of Defense Health and Welfare Services.

#### THE NATIONAL ROSTER OF SCIENTIFIC AND PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL

DR. J. S. NICHOLAS, of Yale University, National Research Council representative on the National Roster of Scientific and Professional Personnel, sends to SCIENCE the following details in regard to the work of the roster:

The science section was initiated by utilizing the mailing lists of all cooperating scientific societies. To these have been added names secured from graduate schools of colleges and universities, including, in some fields, undergraduates. Individual departments of study, particularly in physics and engineering, have also been requested to submit names for questionnaire circularization. It was recognized at the outset that such lists are not complete, but that their assembly formed the quickest possible mechanism of accumulating an immediate reservoir of information necessary for emergency allocation.

Additional information concerning scientifically