

ment; paper, paper products and containers; and metals and metal products, as well as a commodity testing branch, are being organized.

Culver S. Ladd, for many years state food commissioner and chemist of North Dakota, is chief of the Food and Drugs Section. The head of the Textiles, Leather and Apparel Section is H. S. Schenker, of Philadelphia, whose entire business career has been devoted to textile qualities. Earl A. Graham, senior engineer of the engineering firm of Sanderson and Porter of New York, has been placed at the head of the Consumer Durable Goods Section. Erwin G. Adelberger, interior architect and designer, of Cleveland, Ohio, is head of the Home Furnishings Section. Elroy A. Ledwith, architect, who became associated with the defense program in September, 1939, as consultant on housing standards to the National Defense Advisory Commission, is chairman of the Lumber and Building Materials Section. H. Seymour Pringle, assistant professor of agricultural engineering on leave from Cornell University and since 1926 extension specialist in agricultural engineering at the New York State College of Agriculture, has been made head of the Agricultural and Industrial Machinery Section. The Rubber and Rubber Products Section has as its acting head Theodore M. Miller, of Baltimore, consulting chemist. M. L. Egert is the administrative officer of the division.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS AT FIELD MUSEUM, CHICAGO

DR. FAY-COOPER COLE, chairman of the department of anthropology of the University of Chicago, has been appointed research associate in Malayan ethnology at Field Museum of Natural History. While his principal work will continue to be at the university, he will serve in a consultative capacity with other members of the museum staff. Dr. Paul S. Martin, chief curator of anthropology, has been appointed research associate (with the rank of full professor) in the department of anthropology of the university. Although continuing his work at Field Museum, Dr. Martin will from time to time give special lectures for classes at the university, and later will give a special course in museology or the technical operations of a museum. These appointments are in furtherance of a plan for closer cooperation that has been adopted by the university and the museum.

The appointment was also announced of Dr. Albert A. Dahlberg, formerly head of the dental clinics at

Billings Hospital and now a Chicago practicing dentist, as research associate in paleontology.

Elmer S. Riggs retired on September 24 from active duty as curator of paleontology. He has been associated with the museum continuously since 1898. He will take up his residence in Lawrence, Kansas. Except for a year as museum assistant at the University of Kansas, from which he was graduated, Mr. Riggs has spent his working career as a member of the staff of the museum, going there shortly after he had completed his post-graduate work at Princeton University. During this period he has conducted sixteen important fossil-hunting expeditions—twelve in the western United States, two in Canada and two in Argentina and Bolivia, spending a full four years in the last-named countries.

He is succeeded as acting curator in charge of the division by Bryan Patterson, a member of the museum staff since 1926 and assistant curator of paleontology since 1935.

OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS

HAROLD V. COES, vice-president of Ford, Bacon and Davis, Inc., New York, according to an announcement made by C. E. Davies, secretary of the society, has been elected by a letter ballot of the 16,250 members of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers to be president of the society during 1943.

Vice-presidents elected at the same time to serve two-year terms on the council were Joseph W. Eshelman, president, Eshelman and Potter, Birmingham, Ala.; Thomas E. Purcell, general superintendent of power stations of the Duquesne Light Company, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Guy T. Shoemaker, vice-president, Kansas City Light and Power Company, Kansas City, Mo.; Walter J. Wohlenberg, professor of mechanical engineering, Yale University.

Managers of the society elected to serve on the council for three-year terms include Roscoe W. Morton, professor of mechanical engineering and head of the department of the University of Tennessee; Alexander R. Stevenson, Jr., staff assistant to the vice-president, General Electric Company, Schenectady, N. Y.; and Albert E. White, director of engineering research at the University of Michigan.

The new officers will be installed during the sixty-third annual meeting of the society to be held in New York, N. Y., at the Hotel Astor, from November 30 to December 4.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

DR. CHARLES FREDERICK BURGESS, president of the C. F. Burgess Laboratories, Inc., New York City, has

been awarded the Edward Goodrich Acheson Medal and \$1,000 Prize by The Electrochemical Society.