

### TROPICAL MEDICINE AT TULANE UNIVERSITY

It is reported in the *Journal* of the American Medical Association that twelve Latin American physicians joined the course in tropical medicine at Tulane University of Louisiana School of Medicine, New Orleans, in September under fellowships financed by the American Foundation for Tropical Medicine. They are Drs. M. Sanchez Basseres, Brazil; M. A. Cardenas, Chile; Benjamin Mera, Colombia; Alejandro Gonzalez L., Costa Rica; Gilberto Gomez R., Dominican Republic; Alfonso Marchan, Ecuador; Jose Pacas M., El Salvador; Jose Bustos, Mexico; Silvestre Lopez Portillo, Mexico; Carlos Calera M., Panama; Jorge Clavier, Venezuela, and Tulio Briceno, Venezuela. Dr. L. Everard Napier, director of the Calcutta School of Tropical Medicine and editor of the *Indian Medical Gazette*, recently accepted a visiting professorship in the department of tropical medicine and is expected to join the staff early in 1943. During the past spring and early summer the staff gave intensive night courses in tropical medicine to physicians in the military forces stationed in New Orleans. Dr. Ernest C. Faust, head of the division and director of laboratories of tropical medicine and consultant to the Secretary of War on tropical diseases and on epidemic diseases, lectures every two months at the Army Medical School, Washington. Drs. Faust and Joseph S. D'Antoni, assistant professor in the department, are collaborating with the division of medical sciences of the National Research Council in lecturing on tropical medicine at medical schools in the East and North during October and November. In 1941 the General Education Board of the Rockefeller Foundation gave \$200,000 to enlarge the personnel of the department and to plan for a more permanent teaching program for undergraduate and postgraduate work in the field. Since 1940 the American Foundation for Tropical Medicine has provided an annual sum of \$9,000 for postgraduate teaching, particularly for a special intensive course for Latin American physicians. This year two fellowship grants have been made available for North American physicians by the Lambert Pharmaceutical Company, St. Louis, and the Winthrop Chemical Company, New York. Since 1940 the Eli Lilly Company has provided a yearly grant of \$5,000 for unrestricted research carried out under the auspices of the department. Under the program the physician receives intensive training both in laboratory and in clinical tropical medicine in addition to review work in the general field of medicine; additional training is provided by special guest lecturers who are experts in their respective fields.

### THE NATIONAL CHEMICAL EXPOSITION

THE National Chemical Exposition and Industrial

Chemical Conference, the second to be sponsored by the Chicago Section of the American Chemical Society, will be held from November 24 to 29 in the Hotel Sherman, Chicago.

Professor G. L. Clark, of the department of chemistry of the University of Illinois, is chairman of a committee which has arranged for a symposium of electron microscopists. Preceding the symposium there will be an address on Thursday evening, November 26, by Dr. W. K. Zworykin, associate director of the Research Laboratories of the RCA Manufacturing Company, at Camden, N. J., on "The Electron Microscope in Relation to Chemical Research." In addition to a display of one of the microscopes in operation, a hundred or more photographic prints of some of the best micrographs will be exhibited.

A group of members of the Chicago Section has been working with S. Donald Perlman, executive chemical director of the salvage section of the War Production Board, in planning an exhibit to further its campaign to salvage essential chemicals.

Special exhibits will illustrate what has been accomplished in providing substitutes and alternates for critical materials in which there is a shortage. A display is being prepared by Dr. Harrison E. Howe, of "Successful Alternates and Substitutes." W. J. Murphy is arranging for an exhibit of "New Chemicals." The committee in charge of industrial movies has arranged for a continuous program.

More than a hundred exhibitors have been assigned space. The exhibit will be approximately twice as large in floor space as the first exposition in 1940. Originally set for the Stevens Hotel, a shift to the Hotel Sherman was necessitated by the acquisition of the Stevens by the U. S. Army.

Technical sessions have been arranged for Wednesday afternoon, November 25; Thursday evening, November 26; Friday morning, afternoon and evening, November 27, and Saturday afternoon, November 28. The program is timed to afford those who wish to hear the discussions in which they are interested ample opportunity also to view the exhibit.

### THE AMERICAN MATHEMATICAL SOCIETY

THE three hundred and ninety-first meeting of the American Mathematical Society will be held at the University of Notre Dame on November 27 and 28, in connection with the centennial celebration of the university. Sessions for the reading of contributed papers will be held on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. In connection with this meeting, the University of Notre Dame will hold its annual Mathematical Symposium, the subject being "Modern Statistics." At this symposium, Professors Jerzy Neyman, of the University of California, and Abraham