

School of Mechanical Engineering of Purdue University, died on June 27 at the age of seventy-one years.

DR. GEORGE CURTIS MARTIN, from 1909 to 1924 geologist of the Geological Survey, later consulting geologist, died on June 23. He was sixty-seven years old.

Nature records the death on April 24 at the age of

seventy-four years of Lionel R. Crawshaw, at one time a member of the scientific staff of the Marine Biological Association and for many years research officer of the Sponge Fishery Investigations in the West Indies and British Honduras, and of Professor Kurt Huber, professor of experimental psychology in the University of Munich, recently executed for "traitorous conspiracy."

SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

THE BIRTHDAY HONORS OF THE KING OF ENGLAND

It is stated in *Nature* that the following names of men of science and others associated with scientific development appear in the Birthday Honors list of the King of England:

Baronet: Sir John Fraser, regius professor of clinical surgery, University of Edinburgh.

K.C.B.: Dr. N. K. Johnson, director of the Meteorological Office.

K.B.E.: Sir T. Franklin Sibly, vice-chancellor of the University of Reading and chairman of the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals.

Knights: Captain J. P. Black, managing director of the Standard Motor Co., Ltd., and chairman of the Joint Aero-engine Committee; D. A. E. Cabot, chief veterinary officer, Ministry of Agriculture; Dr. H. L. Eason, president of the General Medical Council; Dr. C. S. Fox, director of the Geological Survey, India; Dr. H. Spencer Jones, astronomer royal; J. M. Kennedy, deputy chairman of the Electricity Commission; P. M. Kharegat, vice-chairman, Imperial Council of Agricultural Research, India; E. Macfadyen, chairman of the governing body, Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture; Dr. A. D. McNair, vice-chancellor of the University of Liverpool; Professor J. L. Myres, formerly Wykeham professor of ancient history, University of Oxford, for services to learning; Professor G. P. Thomson, professor of physics, Imperial College of Science and Technology.

C.H.: E. W. Hives, for services in the design of aero-engines.

C.B.: J. M. Caie, deputy secretary, Department of Agriculture for Scotland; W. S. Farren, director, Royal Aircraft Establishment, Ministry of Aircraft Production.

C.I.E.: H. Trotter, utilization officer, Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun.

C.B.E.: R. Chadwick, chief designer and director, A. V. Roe and Co., Ltd.; Dr. H. L. Guy, chairman of the Gun Design Committee, Scientific Advisory Council; Professor J. Jewkes, deputy director-general of statistics and programs, Ministry of Aircraft Production; Professor J. N. Mukherjee, professor of chem-

istry, University of Calcutta; R. K. Pierson, chief designer, Vickers-Armstrong, Ltd. (Aircraft); Major R. W. Sharpe, chairman, Agricultural Executive Committee, Berwickshire; Lieutenant-Colonel W. W. Zambra, secretary, Imperial Communications Advisory Committee.

THE NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR INFANTILE PARALYSIS

TWENTY-EIGHT grants, amounting to \$354,370, have been made by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to universities, hospitals, laboratories and other organizations in eleven states to continue the fight against the disease. Dr. Basil O'Connor is president of the foundation.

The grants were recommended by the medical advisory committees at the semi-annual meeting and have now been approved by the board of trustees. The funds which make the program possible are raised annually in January through the celebration of President Roosevelt's birthday.

Sixteen grants, amounting to \$216,020, were made for virus and after-effects research. Four of these are on long-term projects being conducted at Yale University, the Johns Hopkins University, the University of Michigan and the University of Wisconsin.

Twelve grants, amounting to \$138,350, were made for various educational programs including the training of technicians in the Kenny method of treatment. Some of these grants include projects for educational work for physicians and the public. The sum of \$2,500 was appropriated for the preparation of a complete bibliography on poliomyelitis. The compilation is being done for the foundation with the aid of the library of the American Medical Association and the John Crerar Library, both in Chicago.

The list by states follows:

CALIFORNIA

Stanford University School of Health	
(Women)	\$ 11,820
American Physiotherapy Association,	
Stanford University	10,000
Stanford University	6,800