

tion of creating a company community in the immediate vicinity of the buildings. Murray Hill is about twenty-five miles from New York headquarters.

The executive offices of the Bell Telephone Laboratories will continue to be at 463 West Street, New York City, and a majority of the employees will continue to work there. With the addition at Murray Hill, however, about two thousand employees will work at the new location compared with more than one thousand employed there during the war. This will include all the research work and most of the work of apparatus development.

Though designed for peace-time use, the present new laboratory opened just as war was breaking and its new and adaptable space proved to be a great aid to Bell Laboratories' war service. Within its walls scores of war projects have been started, some small and completed quickly, others large and expanding from a room to whole sections of the building. The completion of the Murray Hill building project will find the Bell Telephone Laboratories well equipped to design better and more economical telephone and radio equipment for the Bell Telephone System. It will also be ready and equipped to continue its record of achievement in developments for the Army and Navy as they may have need for its services in the future.

THE WISCONSIN JUNIOR ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

APPROXIMATELY two hundred delegates from the clubs of the high schools in the Milwaukee area of the Wisconsin Junior Academy of Science met on May 20 at Marquette University to present scientific papers and demonstrations based on research work in high school. Two annual honorary memberships in the American Association for the Advancement of Science and several annual memberships in the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Letters were awarded.

The Wisconsin Junior Academy of Science was formed last fall, under the joint sponsorship of the University of Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts, and Letters, for the purpose of the discovery and development of scientific talent among the high-school pupils of Wisconsin. The project is under the supervision of Dr. John W. Thomson, assistant professor of botany at the University of Wisconsin. The organization is comprised of members of high-school science clubs from the entire state.

To supplement its work in encouraging individual research work among high-school students, the Junior Academy of Science is planning to sponsor a news bulletin reporting activities and research work beginning next fall, to be circulated among the clubs. Two cooperative projects with the scientific men of the state are being planned—one a study of the distri-

bution of Wisconsin trees and the other a collection of data on the blossoming and fruiting of common wild flowers and trees.

THE KANSAS ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

THE seventy-seventh annual meeting of the Kansas Academy of Science was held at Kansas State College, Manhattan, on April 14, with Dr. L. D. Bushnell, of the Kansas State College, presiding. An affiliated society, the Kansas Entomological Society, met with the academy. The local chapter of the American Association of University Professors held a meeting in cooperation with the academy.

In deference to the restrictions of the Office of Defense Transportation on the holding of general meetings, the meeting at Manhattan was local in character. The executive committee met at this time for the transaction of business. The meeting was small and was limited to the morning and afternoon, but this was the best means possible under the circumstances of maintaining the academy as an active organization. The general enthusiasm of those attending and the character and number of papers offered served to justify the decision to hold the meeting.

The morning was devoted largely to council and business meetings. The invitational address, entitled "Recent Advances in Plant Science," was given by Dr. Walter F. Loehwing, head of the department of botany, University of Iowa, at 10:00 A.M. before a combined college and academy assembly. This part of the program was broadcast over the radio of the Kansas State College, station KSAC, for the benefit of absent members and friends of the academy.

A noon-day luncheon was substituted for the usual annual evening banquet. At this time Dr. Leland D. Bushnell as retiring president gave an address entitled "Microorganisms and a Struggle for Existence."

During the afternoon section meetings were held for botany, chemistry, geology, physics, psychology and zoology. There was no meeting of the Junior Academy, but local chapters were encouraged to hold meetings. A ten-dollar award was offered to the Junior Academy doing the most outstanding work during the year. The total attendance was 116.

The following officers were elected for next year: *President*, Dr. John W. Breukelman, Kansas State Teachers College, Emporia; *President-elect*, Dr. Claude W. Hibbard, University of Kansas; *Vice-president*, Dr. John C. Peterson, Kansas State College; *Secretary*, Dr. Donald J. Ameel, Kansas State College; *Treasurer*, Dr. F. W. Albertson, Fort Hays Kansas State College; *Executive Council Members* (additional), Dr. L. D. Bushnell, Kansas State College; Dr. H. H. Lane, University of Kansas; Dr. Paul Murphy, Kansas State Teachers College, Pittsburg; and Miss