

News and Notes

Scientists in the News

Norman P. Auburn, vice president and dean of the University of Cincinnati, has been named president of the University of Akron. He succeeds **Hezleton E. Simmons**, who, after 18 years in office, is retiring at age 65.

DeGaspe Beaubien, consulting engineer of Montreal; **A. N. Campbell**, professor of chemistry, University of Manitoba; and **Gordon G. Cushing**, secretary-treasurer, Trades and Labour Congress of Canada, Ottawa, have been made members of the National Research Council of Canada, succeeding **Percy Bengough**, **P. E. Gagnon**, and **R. C. Wallace**.

Myron Lee Bender, former Atomic Energy Commission post-doctoral fellow, has been named instructor in chemistry at Illinois Institute of Technology. During the past year he has been an instructor in chemistry at the University of Connecticut. **Allan H. Roush** has been appointed assistant professor in the Biology Department.

G. J. Bouyoucos, of Michigan State College, has been given an honorary doctor of science degree by the University of Thessalonike, Greece, for his many contributions to soil science and his services to Greece. He served on an agricultural mission to that country in 1917-19.

Clinton B. Burnett, vice president of the Johns-Manville Products Corporation, has been appointed engineering director of the Johns-Manville Corporation. He has been with the organization since 1931.

After 44 years with the Jewish Agricultural Society, **Gabriel Davidson** has retired as managing director. As consultant director he will handle the society's interests in Washington. He has been managing director since 1939.

As a lecturer in the program of Near East studies, **Bayard Dodge**, president of the American University of Beirut in Lebanon for 25 years, will join the Princeton University faculty. Dr. Dodge will offer a graduate course dealing with the political, economic, and social aspects of the contemporary Near East.

J. Franklin Ewing has been appointed director of the Institute of Contemporary Russian Studies at Fordham University. Father Ewing, who is assistant to Father McGinley for research, and assistant professor of anthropology at Fordham, will continue the duties of those posts. He succeeds **Richard T. Burgi**, first director of the institute and assistant professor of Russian literature at Yale.

Henry S. Frank has been made professor and head of the Department of Chemistry at the University of

Pittsburgh, succeeding **Alexander Silverman** (*Science*, 114, 24 [1951]), who has been associated with the university for nearly 45 years. From 1928 until this year, except for an interruption caused by World War II, Dr. Frank has been with Lingnan University, Canton, China, continuously as associate professor, professor of chemistry, chairman of the Chemistry Department, dean of the College of Science, vice provost, and provost. On his retirement Dr. Silverman donated his extensive collection of modern glass to New York State College of Ceramics.

J. J. Groot, instructor in the Department of Geography and Geology at the University of Delaware, has been appointed Delaware's first state geologist. Mr. Groot will direct the new Delaware Geological Survey created by an act of the recent General Assembly. Delaware is the last of the 48 states to acquire such a survey. The law requires that the university administer the survey under the general direction of a geological commission to be named by the governor. Appointment of the state geologist by the university's president also was provided by the law. The commission has not yet been selected.

Beno Gutenberg, director of the Seismological Laboratory at Caltech, has left for Paris for a meeting at Unesco headquarters. He plans to spend a month in Ankara advising the Turkish government on the installation of geophysical and seismological research centers. He will also go to Brussels to preside over a meeting of the International Committee on the Earth's Interior. He is scheduled to present a paper on the earth's core before the International Geophysical Union meeting in Brussels Aug. 22-Sept. 1.

The Community Service Society has announced that **Joseph McVicker Hunt**, director for the past five years of its Institute of Welfare Research, will become professor of psychology at the University of Illinois. He is president-elect of the American Psychological Association and was president of the New York State Psychological Association last year.

Allen S. Hussey has been appointed a senior chemist by the Carwin Company, North Haven, Conn. He has been assistant professor of organic chemistry at Northwestern University for the past four years. **Charles J. Smith, Jr.**, until recently product manager, the Lubrizol Corporation, Cleveland, has accepted a position as development manager with the Carwin Company.

G. W. Keitt, chairman of the Department of Plant Pathology of the University of Wisconsin, is a guest of the British Association for the Advancement of Science at its Edinburgh meeting. He will deliver before the Botany Section an invitation paper entitled "Inheritance of Pathogenicity and some other Characters in *Venturia inaequalis*." He was also a guest of the Association of Applied Biologists at its Con-

versazione at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, London, July 27, and a visitor at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, the universities of Cambridge and Bristol, Rothamsted Experimental Station, and the East Malling Research Station.

Recent visitors at the National Bureau of Standards include **Ataulla Khan**, Kabul Radio Station, Afghanistan, who is in the United States on a State Department grant, studying U. S. radio communication services; **T. Child**, British Engineers Small Tools and Equipment Co. Ltd., London; **Bjorn Ingleman**, A. B. Pharmacia, Stockholm; **W. A. Seeder**, Royal Verkade Factories, Inc., Zaandam; and **C. Timms**, National Physical Laboratories, Teddington, Eng.

Arthur J. Leedy, director of engineering, will manage a New Projects Department established by the Seiberling Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio. He will be assisted by **Alfred S. Bachtel** and **Henry A. Walter**, Production Department employees.

Carl C. Lindegren, director of Southern Illinois University's Biological Research Laboratory has returned from Bristol, Eng., where he spoke on "Yeast Genetics," in the Symposia of Experimental Biology.

Roy K. Marshall, who resigned March 1 as professor of astronomy and director of the Morehead Planetarium at the University of North Carolina, has been appointed educational director of the Philadelphia *Inquirer* Stations WFIL and WFIL-TV. Eight hours per week of educational programming, including the University of the Air, a cooperative operation by 19 colleges and universities in the Philadelphia area, will be continued under Dr. Marshall's direction next year.

Jules H. Masserman, associate professor of nervous and mental diseases at Northwestern University, and scientific director, National Foundation for Psychiatric Research, has been appointed consultant to the secretariat of the United Nations and designated by WHO to present a series of lectures at universities throughout Europe and Scandinavia in October and November of this year. During his stay in England, Dr. Masserman will also address the British Royal Society on his research.

Carl Alfred Moyer, professor of surgery and dean of the Southeastern Medical College in Dallas, has been appointed Bixby professor of surgery and head of the Department of Surgery at Washington University School of Medicine, succeeding **Evarts A. Graham**, who will become professor emeritus of surgery. Dr. Graham has been visiting in Glasgow, where he received an honorary degree during ceremonies celebrating the 500th anniversary of the University of Glasgow.

Sanborn Partridge, of Proctor, Vt., has been appointed assistant professor of geology at Amherst College, where, in addition to his teaching duties he will carry on research under the direction of George W. Bain, chairman of the Geology Department.

Roger R. Revelle has been named director of Scripps Institution of Oceanography at La Jolla. He has been acting director since March 1950, when **Carl Eckart** resigned the directorship to head the institution's Marine Physical Laboratory, at Point Loma.

Esther Loring Richards, after 34 years with the Phipps Clinic of Johns Hopkins Hospital, is retiring to devote her full time to private practice.

The University of Pennsylvania and the U. S. Naval Air Development Center at Johnsville, Bucks Co., have announced the appointment of **Robert F. Rushmer**, of the University of Washington, to be superintendent of the Scientific Department at the Navy's new Aviation Medical Acceleration Laboratory. The appointment of Dr. Rushmer is made in accordance with the terms of an agreement recently signed by Harold E. Stassen for the University of Pennsylvania and Selden B. Spangler, Commander of the NADC, whereby the university and the NADC have become affiliated. Dr. Rushmer has also been appointed professor of applied physiology on the faculty of the university's School of Medicine.

Louis L. Rusoff has been promoted from associate dairy nutritionist and associate professor to nutritionist and professor at Louisiana State University.

George H. Schneller, director of pharmaceutical application of the Calco Chemical Division, American Cyanamid Company, has been appointed chairman of the Research and Development Section of the American Drug Manufacturers Association. Dr. Schneller succeeds **A. Lee Caldwell**, of Eli Lilly and Company, who organized the section and was its chairman during the past three years.

The 1951 Charles H. McCrea Medal has been awarded by National Malleable and Steel Castings Company to **H. A. Schwartz**, who was named by the Malleable Founders' Society for his contribution toward progress and development in the malleable industry.

Loren B. Sjöström, head of the Flavor Laboratory at Arthur D. Little, Inc., has been elected chairman of the northeast section of the Institute of Food Technologists. Mr. Sjöström has been associated with Arthur D. Little since 1936.

Wesley W. Spink, University of Minnesota professor of medicine and brucellosis expert for the UN, is spending July and August in England, France, Italy, and Yugoslavia correlating current brucellosis research. Dr. Spink has been designated a consultant on the disease by WHO and FAO. He is director of the United States Brucellosis Center at the University of Minnesota.

John H. Van Vleck has become dean of applied sciences in the Harvard University Faculty of Arts and Sciences. **Albert Haertlein** has been appointed associate dean. Professor Van Vleck, a mathematical

physicist, is Hollis professor of mathematics and natural philosophy, and Professor Haertlein is Gordon McKay professor of civil engineering. Their administrative duties will be to carry out the development of applied science and engineering at Harvard in such fields as applied mathematics, physics, electronics, mechanical engineering, soil mechanics, and sanitary engineering. The new deans will carry forward a reorganization begun under Gordon M. Fair, who has served for the past two years as chairman of the Division of Engineering Sciences. Professor Fair will continue his teaching and research in sanitary engineering.

Alfred H. Weber has been named director of the Department of Physics, and **Haig Silvanie** director of the Department of Economics, at Saint Louis University. Dr. Weber has been secretary of the Department of Physics since 1939. He succeeds **James H. Shannon**, who died last September after serving 37 years as director. Dr. Silvanie has been an associate professor of economics at Saint Louis since 1947. He succeeds **Bernard W. Dempsey**, who left to teach at the University of Delhi. Father Dempsey had been director of the department since 1943.

Douglas M. Whitaker is the new dean of Stanford's Faculty of Humanities and Sciences. Dr. Whitaker, who has been on leave of absence from the university to serve as chairman of the National Research Council, began his new duties July 1, succeeding **Clarence H. Faust**, who resigned in March to become president of the Fund for the Advancement of Education, established by the Ford Foundation (*Science*, 113, 541 [1951]).

Philip R. White, formerly with the Institute for Cancer Research, Philadelphia, has joined the staff of the Roscoe B. Jackson Memorial Laboratory at Bar Harbor, Maine.

William R. Willard has been appointed dean of New York State University College of Medicine at Syracuse. Dr. Willard has been professor of public health and assistant dean in charge of postgraduate medical education at Yale University School of Medicine.

C. H. M. Williams and **D. Watt**, Faculty of Dentistry, University of Toronto, have been awarded first prize in the annual essay contest sponsored by the American Association of Orthodontists for the best original contribution to the science of orthodontics. Their work, under a grant from the Associate Committee on Dental Research, was on "Effects of Hard and Soft Diets on the Supporting Structures of Teeth."

Nathan A. Womack, of the University of Iowa, has accepted the position of professor and head of the Department of Surgery at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine, and will take up his duties in Chapel Hill late this summer. He was formerly professor of clinical surgery at Washington University.

Grants and Fellowships

The **American Association of University Women** is offering 25 fellowships, ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000 for advanced study or research during 1952-53. For detailed information address the Secretary, Committee on Fellowship Awards, 1634 I St., N. W., Washington 6, D. C. Applications are returnable by Dec. 15.

American Pharmaceutical Manufacturer's Association has established two \$2,500 graduate fellowships in pharmacy and in drug law. **Richard E. Faust**, of Greenfield, Mass., will continue his study in pharmaceutical chemistry and pharmacology at Purdue as a fellow of the American Foundation for Pharmaceutical Education, which will administer the fellowship. The law fellowship will be given to **Charles L. Nelson**, of Miami, Fla., who will study food and drug law at New York University's Food Law Institute.

The Wool Bureau has awarded the first **Anglo-American Fellowship** under its plan whereby selected Americans will study under leading scientists in England and on the Continent. **Gerald Laxer**, assistant development and research chemist in the Carpet Division of Alexander Smith, Inc., of Yonkers, will sail in September to take up studies under **J. B. Speakman** at Leeds University. The Wool Bureau expects eventually to support three fellowships in wool research.

Through the **Automotive Safety Foundation**, funds have been made available by the petroleum and automotive industries for a broad-gauge, two-year study by the Highway Research Board of the National Academy of Sciences, designed to diagnose the parking problem in American cities in relation to the economic health of communities, retail business, and motor-vehicle use. Regional university schools of business administration will begin the research this fall. A report will be published at the conclusion of the survey.

The **Clayton Foundation** has given \$10,000 to the University of Texas Pharmaceutical Foundation to expand investigations of poisonous plants, particularly those found on the Texas plains. **H. M. Burlage** is directing the research, with **Alfred Taylor** of the Biochemical Institute.

The **Ford Foundation** has approved a grant of \$1,309,500 to the Free University of Berlin. The funds will permit the establishment of an evening university for scientific education of working adults. Additional benefits will be a course of social studies, a special institute for European studies, and continuation of a program for U. S. educators to give courses in Berlin. The Free University, founded in 1948, now has a student body of 5,000 and employs a faculty of 250.

The **Health Information Foundation**, a nonprofit organization, has provided a grant of \$92,000 for a two-year research project to be undertaken by Columbia University to find out what the 3 billion dollars spent in the U. S. each year for private medical and hospital care is used for. **Oscar Serbein, Jr.**, of Colum-

bia Graduate School of Business, will attempt to assemble the facts on number of persons included in prepayment plans, illnesses covered, and medical services used. He will also explore the possibility of expanding and improving such plans.

A two-year experiment financed by the **James Foundation**, of St. James, Mo., to improve the general health services in that community is under way. Physicians in Phelps and Crawford counties will receive up to \$500 each for postgraduate scholarships or refresher courses.

Harry A. Kuljian, Philadelphia engineer, has established two scholarships for MIT seniors in the School of Humanities and Social Studies, to help engineers meet the problems of human relations frequently encountered in their work, particularly in foreign countries.

The **Memphis Heart Association, Inc.**, has awarded the following grants at the University of Tennessee: to the Division of Surgery for research on hypertension; to R. V. Brown, associate professor of pharmacology, for work on blood pressure; to Robert C. Little, for investigation of stress; and to Lester Van Miesleworth, for investigation of the thyroid and adrenal gland hormones.

The **National Multiple Sclerosis Society** has awarded a sum of more than \$15,000 to the H. L. Snyder Memorial Research Foundation, of Winfield, Kan., for a year of biochemical studies. Harold H. Jones will be director of research; he will be assisted by his son, Harold H. Jones, Jr., and Leitha D. Bunch, a multiple sclerotic.

In the Laboratories

Carpenter Steel Co., of Reading, Pa., has appointed George V. Luerssen vice president in charge of metallurgy, succeeding B. H. DeLong, who has retired after 41 years of service with the company. Carl B. Post will succeed Dr. Luerssen as chief metallurgist, and George E. Brumbach will succeed Dr. Post.

Joe D. Clary, of Chemical Products Corp., Cartersville, Ga., has been named superintendent of the specialty catalyst plant of the **Davison Chemical Corporation** at Curtis Bay, Md. Other new appointments in the Research and Development Division are: Albert H. Cooper, as head of the Research Engineering Department; Walter K. O'Loughlin, as manager of the Development Department; and Kenneth E. Prince, as head of the Patent Department.

With the retirement of Elmer K. Bolton as director of the **Dupont Chemical Department** (*Science*, 114, 51 [1951]), Paul L. Salzberg has been named assistant director, David M. McQueen succeeding him as laboratory director at the Experimental Station. Burt C. Pratt will become assistant laboratory director, and Clement W. Theobald research supervisor.

Gesell Institute of Child Development has recently

been set up to carry on the work begun at the Yale Clinic of Child Development under Arnold Gesell. Francis L. Ilg is acting director, and Dr. Gesell research consultant.

Julius Hyman and Company, of Denver, opened a new plant pathological laboratory and greenhouse in June. The laboratory, under the direction of J. A. Pinekard, works in close cooperation with the Colorado Agricultural Experiment Station and with other state experimental stations in the screening of new compounds synthesized in its Department of Organic Chemistry.

The **Institute of Living**, Hartford, Conn., has appointed Francis J. Braceland as psychiatrist-in-chief to succeed C. C. Burlingame, who died last year.

The **Jewish Medical Center** now under construction in Baltimore has received a gift of \$1,000,000 for an obstetrical and gynecological building in the Sinai Hospital unit. The gift was made by Henrietta Blaustein in memory of her husband. The building will be known as the Louis and Henrietta Blaustein Building.

Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory has announced the addition of these scientists to its staff: Irving R. Tannenbaum, chemist, and John R. Beyster, James Terrell, Jr., and Max Carl Walske, Jr., physicists.

The **Pemco Corporation** (ceramic products) has been presented with the 1951 Merit Award of the American Society of Industrial Engineers for "excellence in engineering and manufacturing." It was the first industrial firm in the state of Maryland to receive such an award.

Wallace L. Davidson has been appointed industrial physician for the Glenolden and West Point, Pa., plants of **Sharp & Dohme, Inc.** A graduate in medicine of the Hahnemann Medical College, Dr. Davidson worked in private practice until his present association with Sharp & Dohme.

Tracerlab, Inc., will have the help of a new Research Advisory Board consisting of Karl T. Compton, chairman; Lewis L. Strauss, Charles D. Coryell, and Wendell C. Peacock. A nine-member employee group, to be known as the Auxiliary Board of Management, has also been appointed.

Verne C. Bidlack, Jr., has joined the Research Department of **Henry K. Wampole & Co., Inc.**, of Philadelphia.

The **Upjohn Company** has placed in full operation a new pharmaceutical plant just outside Kalamazoo, Mich., thus increasing its production facilities by 50%. The plant has been designed to leave space and facilities available for the large-scale production of drugs still to be discovered and developed. To mark the opening of the new plant, the Upjohn Company has published *The Odyssey of Modern Drug Research*, a 124-page illustrated booklet by Robert Burlingham.

Meetings and Elections

The twentieth anniversary of the **American Institute of Physics** will be celebrated at the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, October 23-27, by a joint meeting of the founding societies of the institute. Member societies that will hold their regular fall technical meetings during the celebration are the American Physical Society (Oct. 25-27); the Optical Society of America (Oct. 23-25); the Acoustical Society of America (Oct. 23-25); the Society of Rheology (Oct. 24-26); and the American Association of Physics Teachers (Oct. 25-27). The American Crystallographic Association, an affiliated society, will also participate in the meeting. Several hundred papers on original research will be presented. A symposium on the theme "Physics Today" will feature papers on nuclear, atomic, and solid state physics, acoustics, and optics, by Enrico Fermi, E. U. Condon, J. C. Slater, Harvey Fletcher, and Edwin H. Land. The symposium will be concluded with a more general talk entitled "Physics as Science and as Art," by K. K. Darrow.

At the annual meeting of the **American Psychiatric Association** in Cincinnati, D. Ewen Cameron became president-elect; R. Finley Gayle, Jr., secretary; Howard W. Potter, treasurer; and J. Fremont Bateman, Frank J. Curran, and William B. Terhune, councillors. L. H. Bartemier is incoming president.

The **American Society of Mammalogists** elected the following officers at its annual meeting in June, held at the Chicago Natural History Museum: president, William J. Hamilton, Jr.; vice presidents, William H. Burt and William B. Davis; recording secretary, Robert T. Orr; corresponding secretary, Donald F. Hossmeister; treasurer, Viola S. Schantz; editor, William H. Burt. New directors are: Victor H. Cahalane, Emmet T. Hooper, J. Kenneth Doult, W. Robert Eadie, Antoon De Vos, and Stanley P. Young.

The annual Meeting of the **American Society of X-Ray Technicians** was held in June in Philadelphia. New officers are Alexander Turner, president; Hazel Cole, Ruth Jaffke, and M. Salvatore, vice presidents; and Mary Knish, secretary-treasurer.

Samuel G. Hibben will take office as president of the **Illuminating Engineering Society** on October 1. Other newly elected officers are: vice president, A. H. Manwaring; treasurer, R. F. Hartenstein; general secretary, C. C. Keller; directors, G. W. Beals and J. S. Schuchert.

An **International Symposium on the Chemistry of ACTH** will be sponsored by Armour and Company in Chicago on Sept. 18, following the jubilee meeting of the American Chemical Society. Formal papers will be presented by David F. Waugh, E. B. Astwood, Emil M. Smith, George W. Sayers, Sidney W. Fox, Wendell M. Stanley, C. H. Li, J. I. Harris, Fred W. Carpenter, Wilfred White, and Joseph D. Fisher. Among foreign visitors expected are Arne Tiselius, A. R. Todd, and C. J. O'R. Morris.

The Board of Medical Consultants of the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies will in the future be known as the **Medical Advisory Panel**. George T. Harrrell, Jr., chairman of the Department of Internal Medicine at Bowman Gray School of Medicine, was elected chairman of the panel at a meeting last June, succeeding Wilburt C. Davison, of Duke Medical School.

The **National Conference on Research in English** has elected these officers for the year 1951-52: president, John J. DeBoer; vice president, Roy I. Johnson; and secretary-treasurer, Gertrude Whipple.

At the annual congress of the **South African Association for the Advancement of Science**, held at Durban, Basil F. Schonland, F. R. S., was elected to succeed E. G. Malherbe as president. Dr. Schonland is professor of geophysics at the University of the Witwatersrand and was first director of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research.

Miscellaneous

New Washington addresses are, for the **American Psychiatric Association**, 1785 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., and, for the **Pan American Sanitary Bureau**, 1501 New Hampshire Ave., N.W.

Volume II of the fourth edition of the *Bibliography of References to the Literature on the Minor Elements and their Relation to Plant and Animal Nutrition* has been published by the Chilean Nitrate Educational Bureau. Volume II contains 1,222 abstracts covering July 1947-December 1950, and includes 141 crops, 45 elements, and about 1,300 authors, with complete indices.

Among new journals recently received is *Bulletin of Marine Science of the Gulf and Caribbean*, published by the Marine Laboratory of the University of Miami. Robert H. Williams is editor. *Educational Theory*, a new quarterly journal, will be published by the John Dewey Society of the University of Illinois College of Education, with Archibald W. Anderson as editor. *Ingeniería Química e Industrias*, the official organ of the Instituto Peruano de Ingenieros Químicos, Lima, of which Germán de La Fuente H. is president, is in Spanish. International Universities Press is publishing the quarterly *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy* for the American Group Psychotherapy Association. *The Irish Astronomical Journal* is a new quarterly nontechnical review, of the Irish Astronomical Society. The *Pacific Journal of Mathematics*, a quarterly, is being sponsored by a number of West Coast universities, including the University of British Columbia. It will be devoted to basic research articles and will be offered to individual faculty members of the sponsoring institutions and to members of the American Mathematical Society, which is furnishing financial aid.

Chemicals wanted by the registry of rare chemicals, 35 W. 33rd St., Chicago 16, Ill., include: rhenium

oxide; triphenyl borate; *n*-octyl diphenyl phosphate; γ -ferrie oxide; dibutyl phosphine; 2-pentadecanone; 15-nonacosanol; nitrosomethylurethane; α -mercaptobutyric acid; tetraphenyl hydrazine; triphenylmethyl mercaptan; indene; *n*-octyl benzene; diphenyl malonic acid; 2-ethyl anthraquinone; guanase; adenase; pulegol; adenosine deaminase; and rennin.

Child-Family Digest has been taken over by The Lieutenant Gayle Aiken III Memorial Foundation as a means of promoting emotional health and total well-being. Advisory editors are Grace Bain, M. Bevan-Brown, Gladys Hasty Carroll, Enid F. Cook, Wilburt C. Davison, Miner Clifford Hill, Ernest Harms, Weston La Barre, James Clark Molony, Mary Palmer, Grantly Dick Read, Jarl Wagner Smitt, Wm. Perrin Nicolson, Wm. R. Strange, and Albert M. Vollmer.

The **Charles A. Coffin** award, established 29 years ago by privately owned electric utilities, went in 1950 to Georgia Power Company for its "great contributions to the progress and well-being of the state of Georgia." The award consists of a gold medal and \$1,000 for the employees' benefit fund of the winning company.

Among missions recently sponsored by the **Economic Cooperation Administration** was the visit of a group of French paint manufacturers to New York, Newark, Philadelphia, Cleveland, and Detroit. Seventeen men representing a Paper and Board Packaging Mission from several European countries have been gathering technical information in the U. S., and fourteen members of a Netherlands Enamelware Productivity Group toured the U. S. studying production methods and equipment in the industry.

The **Institute of Medicine of Chicago** offers the Joseph A. Capps prize, founded by Dr. and Mrs. Edwin R. LeCount, for the most meritorious investigation in medicine or in the specialties of medicine. The investigation may also be in the fundamental sciences, provided the work has a definite bearing on some medical problem. Competition for 1951 is open to graduates of Chicago medical schools who completed their internship or one year of laboratory work in 1949 or thereafter. Manuscripts must be submitted to the Secretary, 86 E. Randolph St., Chicago 1, not later than *Dec. 31*.

George G. Jackson, of Boston, has been appointed assistant professor of preventive medicine at the University of Illinois College of Medicine. He has been holding joint appointments as Milton fellow in medicine at Harvard, research fellow at Thorndike Memorial Laboratory, and assistant in medicine at Boston City Hospital.

The **National Association of Science Writers** and the **New York University Department of Journalism** survey recently completed, on the attitude of managing editors of newspapers toward science writing, reveals that the amount of space given to science news has doubled during the past ten years in newspapers of

all classes. Predominant interest, as always, is in the fields of medicine and public health, with atomic energy and agriculture following close behind. Physics and chemistry are at the bottom of the list, so far as editors are concerned. Limitations of space, as well as lack of suitable copy, prevent the use of more items, editors declared.

The **New York Adult Education Council**, 254 Fourth Ave., New York, is planning a three-year study to determine how people approaching retirement age "can be helped to make good and realistic preparation" for the years following retirement. The council is seeking contributions amounting to a total of \$100,000 to pursue the project, which is under the direction of Alonzo F. Myers, chairman of the Department of Higher Education at New York University. One hundred men and women in the New York metropolitan area will be selected as volunteer subjects.

European visitors in the U. S. during the fall months will include **Edgar Salin**, professor of political economy at the University of Basel, and **Dolf Sternberger**, of the Department of Social and Political Science, University of Heidelberg. Both will lecture under the sponsorship of the Institute of International Education.

Research positions will be available to applicants with a degree in petroleum engineering with the **Texas Petroleum Research Committee** in the secondary recovery of petroleum. Laboratories are at A. & M. College of Texas and the University of Texas, where work has already begun. Apply at once to George Fancher, director of the committee, University of Texas, Austin 12, for work beginning *Sept. 1*.

The College of Physicians of Philadelphia has awarded the Alvarenga Prize for 1951 to **George W. Thorn**, Hersey professor of the theory and practice of physic, Harvard University Medical School, for his outstanding contributions to our knowledge of the role of the adrenal cortex in health and disease. The prize was established by the will of Pedro Francisco DaCosta Alvarenga of Lisbon, an associate fellow of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, to be awarded annually.

In the death of **Malcolm H. Soule** on Aug. 3, the AAAS has lost one of its staunchest supporters and most ardent and conscientious workers. Vice president of the Section on Medicine and member of the Executive Committee and the Council, he was active also as a member of the Editorial Board and as chairman of the committees on Affiliation and Association, and on the Theobald Smith Award. For many years he effectively guided the affairs of Section N as section secretary and helped formulate the publication policies of the Association. His death can arouse only feelings of deepest regret and sorrow among members of the Executive Committee, the Council, the Editorial Board, and the membership as a whole.