

ence and indicate the lack of conflict between progressive religion and the spirit of contemporary science.

Churches taking part in the observance follow: the Community Church, Manhattan [*Science* 124, 1196 (14 Dec. 1956)]; the Unitarian Church of All Souls, Manhattan; the First Unitarian Church, Flushing, Queens; the Hollis Unitarian Church, Queens; the Unitarian Church of Staten Island, Richmond; the First Unitarian Church, Yonkers; the North Shore Unitarian Society, Plandome; the Unity Church, Montclair, N.J.; the First Unitarian Society, Plainfield, N.J., and the First Unitarian Church, Trenton, N.J.

AAAS Election Results

Yesterday at the annual meeting of the AAAS it was announced that Wallace R. Brode is the 1957 president-elect of the association. Brode, who is associate director of the National Bureau of Standards, was first elected to the AAAS board of directors in 1953.

George W. Beadle, chairman of the division of biology at California Institute of Technology, is succeeded as retiring president of the association by Paul B. Sears, chairman of the Yale Conservation Program at Yale University. Alan T. Waterman, director of the National Science Foundation, is a new member of the board, and Paul Klopsteg, associate director of NSF, was reelected to membership.

Industrial Use of Agricultural Products

Appointment of an 11-member Oilseeds and Animal Fats Task Group to advise the President's bipartisan Commission on Increased Industrial Use of Agricultural Products has been announced. The first meeting of the task group took place in Chicago, Ill., on 28 Nov., according to the group's chairman, James C. Konen, vice president in charge of research, Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, Minneapolis, Minn. The task group will review the technical economic position of oilseeds and animal fats. On the basis of this study, the group will submit an advisory report for consideration by the commission in making its recommendations to Congress concerning legislation designed to increase industrial uses of farm products.

Another of the commission's advisory groups, the nine-member New and Special Crops Task Group, held its first session in Washington, D.C., 15-16 Nov. At the meeting, emphasis was placed on new and special crops that could be grown on acreage customarily used for wheat and cotton—two of the nation's

major surplus crops. The task group underlined the need for analyzing the chemical makeup of new crops that yield fiber, protein, oils, drugs, gums, and other carbohydrates to determine how they may be used industrially.

Hungary

■ On Human Rights Day the governing board of the National Research Council of the National Academy of Sciences announced that its resources were available to refugee Hungarian scientists who wish to find opportunities to continue their scientific work. The Academy-Research Council also will make every effort to aid the many academic and scientific institutions and governmental agencies that desire to assist Hungarian scholars who have been denied the opportunity to continue their work in freedom.

By unanimous resolution the NRC board also paid high tribute to those scientists still remaining in Hungary who have shown such courageous devotion to the principles and freedom necessary for the furtherance of science. In addition, the board endorsed the resolutions adopted recently by its mother academy and by the American Philosophical Society. The NAS resolution follows:

"Those members of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America present at a meeting in Washington unite in expressing their profound admiration and sympathy to fellow scientists in Hungary and to all the men and women of that nation who have demonstrated their love of liberty with sacrificial devotion during the tragic events of the past few weeks. American scientists look forward with hope to a time when their Hungarian colleagues, freed from external oppression, will be able to join fully in the international exchange of information, discussion and encouragement which is essential to the progress of science."

The statement adopted by the American Philosophical Society read:

"The American Philosophical Society regards with greatest concern the events of recent weeks in Hungary. The members of the Society, assembled in Executive Session in Philadelphia, declare the greatest admiration for the people of Hungary in their defense of freedom and express profound sympathy for the tragic suffering which they have so resolutely endured. The members of the Society look forward with confidence to the time when free intellectual exchange with the Hungarian people and between all the peoples of the earth will be firmly re-established."

Ford Foundation and

Fund for Education Combined

The Ford Foundation has announced that its activities in the field of education and those of the Fund for the Advancement of Education will be combined after 1 Jan. Clarence H. Faust, president of the fund, will become a vice president of the foundation, and as such will be in charge of all educational programs. He will continue as president of the fund during the period of expenditure of the remainder of the \$25 million granted to the fund by the foundation in 1954.

William McPeak, vice president of the foundation, will give up his supervision of the foundation's educational program. He will continue to be in charge of behavioral science and the humanities and will undertake the development of new programs.

Faust will draw on the officers and staff of the fund to work on the educational program of the foundation during the transitional period. Directors of the fund will continue to exercise full responsibility for the fund's program, and they will also advise the foundation on the concurrent development of the foundation's over-all program in education.

Index to Science

Following the practice started with volume 123, the volume index to *Science* will henceforth appear in the fourth issue of the month following the close of a volume. The index for volume 124, July-December 1956, will appear in the issue of 25 Jan. 1957.

News Briefs

■ On 6 Jan. CBS Television will introduce a new weekly program, "Odyssey," the story of man's pursuits from prehistoric times onward. In cooperation with the world's museums, the program will deal with fields as varied as art, literature, music, geology, zoology, industry, medicine, metaphysics, and the circus. "Odyssey" will be produced by Charles Romine for CBS Public Affairs, in cooperation with the American Association of Museums. Associate producers are Ted Sack and Frank De Felitta.

■ The U.S. Army Signal Corps and the Bell Telephone System have opened an important communications link between the United States and the Territory of Alaska, an underwater telephone cable system stretching some 1250 miles from Port Angeles, Washington, to Skagway, Alaska. Hatfield Chilson, Assistant Secretary of Interior, and B. Frank Heintzleman, Governor of Alaska, talked together on the first call over the new system. The