

ested: type of curriculum, geographical area, vocational goal, sex, and so forth. During the first year some sponsors specified scholars who proposed to study science or engineering. About 11 percent of the scholarships were restricted to students planning to study science or engineering; more than half of the merit scholars intend to enter such fields.

Sponsors will be given as much publicity as they desire with regard to their individual program and are assured of having their names scrupulously associated with all payments to the scholar and to the college. Some sponsors wish primarily to help the colleges—almost half of the contribution from the sponsor goes to the private college as an unrestricted gift, in the name of the sponsor.

The 1956 annual report provides complete information on the background of participants, institutions attended by merit scholars, distribution of stipends, career choices of scholars, list of corporation sponsors, and so forth. Some 36 firms are already participating in the activities of NMSC and other firms who are interested in helping to provide scholarship funds to worthy students are invited to confer with the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, 1580 Sherman Ave., Evanston, Ill.

Lalor Faculty Awards in Biology

The principal award of the Lalor Foundation for the summer of 1957 is to Olov Lindberg of the Wenner-Gren Institute of Stockholm, Sweden, who has accepted the invitation of the Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole, Mass., to be the senior Lalor fellow there. One Canadian, two Englishmen, one German, and one New Zealander have also received awards for biological research at institutions in the United States; and one Canadian and five United States citizens will be working similarly, part or full time, in other countries.

The other 30 faculty summer biology research awards go to 13 United States citizens who will be working at their home institutions, and 17 who will be carrying out their programs elsewhere in this country. In connection with the latter group, there are 12 research people who have been accepted for work at the Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole, this being the largest number at any one institution.

The appointments cover a wide range of biological interest: there are 14 awards in biochemistry, nine in botany, five in microbiology, and 13 in physiology. The awards total approximately \$49,000.

The appointments to the regular summer research awards all have been to

faculty members at the instructor, assistant professor, or associate professor level. The distribution of appointments shows 16 percent from tax-supported institutions and 84 percent from privately supported universities and colleges. This contrasts with the previous year, when the appointments were nearly evenly divided.

Allergy Fellowships

The American Foundation for Allergic Diseases has announced the availability of three 2-year fellowships in research and clinical allergy. These awards carry a stipend of \$4500 for the first year, \$4750 for the second, and a total of \$750 for laboratory and travel expenses during the 2-year period. The funds for these fellowships have been made available by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., in a grant to the foundation.

It is the hope of the foundation that the recipients will be stimulated to enter the field of research in allergy and will be equipped to teach others. Unlike the usual procedure, the foundation has established single fellowships with three investigators eminently qualified to teach the principles and techniques of scientific method in this field and in institutions where adequate clinical facilities exist. Applicants should apply directly by 10 May to one of the following investigators, who will make the final selection: Dr. Frederick G. Germuth, Jr., Associate Professor of Pathology, Johns Hopkins University Medical School, Baltimore 5, Md.; Dr. Colin M. MacLeod, Professor of Research Medicine, University of Pennsylvania, 820 Maloney Clinic, 36th and Spruce Streets, Philadelphia 4, Pa.; or Dr. Herman N. Eisen, Professor of Medicine (Dermatology) Washington University School of Medicine, Saint Louis, Mo.

Waterman Renominated NSF Head

Alan T. Waterman has been renominated by President Eisenhower for a second 6-year term as director of the National Science Foundation. Waterman's name was sent to the Senate for confirmation on 1 Apr. He was sworn in as first director of NSF on 6 Apr. 1951.

Reactor Exports

The U.S. Atomic Energy Commission has filed notice of proposed issuance of licenses for the export of two research reactors to the Danish Atomic Energy Commission. Applications for the licenses have been filed by the Foster Wheeler Corporation of New York and Loretz

and Company of Los Angeles, Calif. Both reactors will go to the nuclear research center being developed by the Danish Government near Roskilde, about 20 miles west of Copenhagen.

Foster Wheeler plans to ship a 5000-kilowatt tank-type reactor. Loretz and Company will send a solution-type reactor, built by Atomics International of Canoga Park, Calif., that operates at a power level of 500 watts.

The AEC has also announced that it has issued a license to AMF Atomics, Inc., of New York for the export of a research reactor to West Germany.

Detectolab, Inc.

Detectolab, Inc., formerly a Chicago, Ill., affiliate of the Borg-Warner Corporation, has been consolidated into BJ Electronics, Borg-Warner's electronics division in Santa Ana, Calif. Detectolab manufactures four major types of nuclear instruments. Ray Weiland, one of the original founders of Detectolab, Inc., will serve as Detectolab product manager at BJ Electronics.

French Scientific Bibliographies

The French Cultural Services will publish bibliographies of French scientific works. The first, which covers the years 1951-53, is now available and will be distributed free of charge.

Proposed Legislation

Of the many bills introduced in Congress, some have a special relevance to science and education. A list of such bills introduced recently follows:

S 724. Provide for scientific study and research program for purpose of developing increased and additional industrial uses of agricultural products to reduce surpluses of such products and to increase income of farmers. Capehart (R Ind.) *et al.* Senate Agriculture and Forestry.

HR 3374. Encourage expansion of teaching and research in education of mentally retarded children through grants to institutions of higher learning and to state educational agencies. Cunningham (R Iowa) House Education and Labor.

HR 3485. Amend Public Health Service Act to provide for research and investigation *re* cause, prevention, and treatment of multiple sclerosis and related neurological diseases. Hoeven (R Iowa). House Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

HR 3516. Authorize Walter Reed Army Institute of Research to award