

## Scientists in the News

The three Monograph Prizes, inaugurated last year by the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, have been announced for 1959. The awards, of \$1000 each, were presented for unpublished monographs.

**Walter H. Munk** and **Gordon J. MacDonald** of the University of California won the physical and biological sciences prize for their geophysical discussion of the rotation of the earth.

**Lawrence E. Fouraker** and **Sidney Siegel** of Pennsylvania State University received the social science award for a manuscript on bargaining and group decision making.

**William P. Malm** of Los Angeles won the humanities prize for his exposition of Japanese Nagauta music.

**Barbara Fish** has been appointed associate professor of clinical psychiatry at New York University College of Medicine and psychiatrist-in-charge of the Children's Service of Bellevue Hospital Center. Formerly she was assistant professor of clinical pediatrics and instructor in psychiatry at Cornell University Medical College.

**Henry V. Howe**, director of the School of Geology at Louisiana State University, will receive the Sidney Powers Memorial Medal for his work in general geology, stratigraphy and micro-paleontology on 26 April at a meeting of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists in Atlantic City, N.J.

**G. Fred Somers** has returned to the University of Delaware after a year's leave, during which time he was visiting professor at the College of Agriculture, University of Philippines (Los Banos). At the University of Delaware he has been appointed chairman of the department of biological sciences, School of Arts and Sciences.

**Victor C. Twitty**, executive head of the department of biological sciences of Stanford University, has been elected president of the Western Society of Naturalists. He succeeds Herbert L. Mason of the University of California.

**Heinz A. Lowenstam**, professor of paleoecology at California Institute of Technology, will discuss skeletal properties and paleoecology as a Sigma Xi national lecturer at a number of colleges and universities, from 8 February to 4 March.

**Paul A. di Sant'Agnese** has been named director of research in cystic fibrosis, celiac diseases, and allied disorders at the National Institute of Arthritis and Metabolic Diseases, Bethesda, Md., and clinical professor of pediatrics at Georgetown University Medical School. He was formerly on the staff at Babies and Presbyterian hospitals in New York City and assistant professor of pediatrics at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons.

**Louis E. Wise** of the Institute of Paper Chemistry will receive the 1960 medal of the Technical Association of the Pulp and Paper Industry, in February.

**Morris Cohen** of the National Research Council, Ottawa, Canada, will receive the Willis Rodney Whiting Award of the U.S. National Association of Corrosion Engineers in Dallas, Tex., on 14 March for his work on the physical chemistry of corrosion.

**Harold W. Mohrman**, director of research-associated interests for the plastics division of Monsanto Chemical Co., has become director of research for the company's overseas division. He will coordinate the research of the company's foreign subsidiaries and affiliates with research of its domestic laboratories.

**Henry J. Gomberg**, assistant director of the Phoenix project of the University of Michigan since 1951, has been appointed director of the project—the university's research program in the peaceful uses of atomic energy. He succeeds **Ralph A. Sawyer**, vice president for research and dean of the graduate school.

**Edwin S. Burdell**, who will retire from the Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art with the title of president emeritus, on 29 February, will become president of the Middle East Technical University of Ankara, Turkey, on 15 March. The United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization invited him to accept this position. He is to organize the English-language institution into a learning center similar to an American land-grant college.

At Cooper Union he incorporated the humanities and social sciences into the curricula of the School of Engineering and the Art School and strengthened the free adult education program.

**William C. Leone**, manager of the industrial systems division of Rheem Manufacturing Co., has been named vice president and general manager of Rheem Califone Corp., Los Angeles, Calif.

## Recent Deaths

**Ivan P. Bardin**, Moscow, U.S.S.R.; 76; vice president of the Soviet Academy of Sciences; chairman of the Soviet committee for the International Geophysical Year; pioneer in developing the Soviet steel industry.

**John L. Bremer**, Boston, Mass.; 85; Hersey professor emeritus of anatomy at Harvard Medical School; researcher on the relationship of embryonic development to infant malformation; 25 Dec.

**Alexander W. Evans**, New Haven, Conn.; 91; emeritus Eaton professor of botany and curator of the Eaton Herbarium at Yale University; specialist in lichens and the Hepaticae; 6 Dec.

**Cyrus E. French**, White Plains, N.Y.; 44; chief of nutrition for the United Nations Children's Fund; former professor of nutrition at Pennsylvania State University; 3 Jan.

**Aaron Himmelstein**, New York, N.Y.; 45; cardiovascular surgeon; associate professor of surgery at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons; contributor to cardiac-catheter research; 18 Dec.

**Robert H. Oster**, Baltimore, Md.; 58; professor of physiology at the University of Maryland School of Dentistry, where he helped establish the electroencephalograph laboratory; 2 Jan.

**Lewis Pokras**, New Hyde Park, N.Y.; 43; associate professor of chemistry at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn; specialist in the chemistry of complex ions in water solutions; 24 Dec.

**Edward Weiss**, Philadelphia, Pa.; 64; pioneer in psychosomatic medicine; professor of clinical medicine at Temple University's School of Medicine; research director of the psychosomatic research fund of the National Committee on Mental Hygiene; 13 Jan.

*Erratum:* In the report, "All-female strains of teleost fishes of the genus *Poeciliopsis*" by R. R. Miller and R. J. Schultz [*Science* 130, 1656 (1959)], the first names cited in references 3 and 4 are incorrect. The citation in reference 3 should have been C. Hubbs; that in reference 4 should have been C. L. Hubbs.

*Erratum:* In the April 1960 list of Forthcoming Events [*Science* 131, 169 (15 Jan. 1960)], the date of the symposium on microbial reactions in marine environments is given incorrectly as 20-24 April 1960. This symposium is being held in 1961.