

## Scientists in the News

**Karl Sax**, visiting professor in botany at Yale University and professor of botany at Harvard University (1935-59), has received the Jackson Dawson Medal of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society for work on the hybridization and propagation of hardy woody plants.

The Institute of Science and Technology of the University of Michigan is sponsoring a lecture series on the molecular control of cellular activity, to be held during March and April. Among the speakers will be **Torbjorn Caspersen**, director of the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, Sweden, who will speak on nucleocytoplasmic relationships in cell function and growth, and **Hans Krebs**, professor of biochemistry at the University of Oxford (England) and Nobel Prize winner, who will discuss the control of cellular metabolism.

**Robert W. Pohl**, professor emeritus of physics and former director of the Institute of Experimental Physics at Goettingen, Germany, has received the Oersted Medal from the American Association of Physics Teachers for contributions to physics teaching.

**Giles W. Mead**, director of the Ichthyological Laboratory of the Smithsonian Institution and an expert on fishes of the deep seas, will become curator of fishes at the Museum of Comparative Zoology of Harvard University on 1 April.

**Monroe H. Martin**, on sabbatical leave from his post as director of the Institute for Fluid Dynamics and Applied Mathematics at the University of Maryland, has been named honorary lecturer in mathematics at St. Salvator's College of St. Andrews University (Scotland). After leaving Scotland in March, he will spend 3 months in Rome before returning to Maryland.

**Philip N. Powers**, head of the Inter-nuclear Co., Clayton, Mo., has been named professor and head of the new department of nuclear engineering at Purdue University. He has also been appointed associate director of the engineering experiment station.

Three scientists are among the ten outstanding young men of 1959 selected by the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce: **Peter A. Castruccio**, technical

director of Aeronca Manufacturing Co.; **Harry Prystowsky**, head professor of obstetrics and gynecology, University of Florida; and **S. Fred Singer**, professor of physics at the University of Maryland.

**Walter L. Koltun**, research associate in biochemistry at Cornell University Medical College, is now principal consultant to the biophysics and biophysical chemistry study section of the National Institutes of Health at the University of California, Berkeley.

**J. McDaniel** of the control mechanisms and electronics division of the National Physical Laboratory, Teddington, England, will be in the United States until 26 February, mainly in the Los Angeles area and in Cambridge, Mass.

**Kenton L. Chambers**, assistant professor of botany at Yale University, has received the George R. Cooley Award for the outstanding paper presented before the American Society of Plant Taxonomists during the AAAS meetings in Chicago.

**Leonard Greenburg**, commissioner of the New York City department of air pollution control, has been appointed professor and acting chairman of the department of preventive medicine at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

**Haakon Bang** has resigned as dean of the School of Pharmacy of Washington State University in order to devote his time to teaching and research. He has been succeeded by **Allen I. White**, professor of pharmacy at Washington State.

**Damon V. Catron**, professor of animal nutrition at Iowa State University, has been named vice president for research and marketing at the Walnut Grove Products Co., Atlantic, Iowa.

**Melvin Calvin**, professor of chemistry at the University of California, Berkeley, has received the 1959 Research Corporation Award for his investigations of photosynthesis by radioactive carbon tracing.

**Leslie A. Chambers**, director of research for the Los Angeles County Air Pollution Control District, has been named scientific director of the Allan Hancock Foundation for Scientific Research at the University of Southern California.

## Recent Deaths

**James Bossard**, Wynnewood, Pa.; 71; emeritus professor of sociology, William T. Carter professor of child helping, and director of the Carter Foundation for Child Helping at the University of Pennsylvania; director of a national study of juvenile delinquency since 1959; 29 Jan.

**Truman W. Cole**, Jacksonville, Fla.; 66; supervisor of field activities for the animal-disease-eradication division of the Department of Agriculture and former head of the interstate inspection division; 19 Jan.

**Walter T. Dannreuther**, New York, N.Y.; 74; professor emeritus of obstetrics and gynecology at the New York University Post-Graduate Medical School; founder, first president, and diplomate of the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology; 27 Jan.

**Irwin H. Fenn**, New York, N.Y.; 75; former professor of mathematics at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute; 29 Jan.

**Richard V. Foregger**, Roslyn, N.Y.; 87; inventor and manufacturer of appliances for anesthesia; worked on air regeneration for submarines in the early 1900's; 18 Jan.

**Beno Gutenberg**, Pasadena, Calif.; 70; retired director of the seismological laboratory of the California Institute of Technology and pioneer geophysicist; past president of the Seismological Society of America; 25 Jan.

**C. Judson Herrick**, Grand Rapids, Mich.; 91; professor emeritus of neurology at the University of Chicago; author of *The Brains of Rats and Men*; served 54 years with the *Journal of Comparative Neurology* as editor or board chairman; 29 Jan.

**Delilah B. Metz**, Fairbanks, Alaska; 46; research physiologist at the Arctic Aeromedical Laboratory; 16 Jan.

**Richard Rand**, Moultonboro, N.H.; 91; clinical professor emeritus of gynecology and obstetrics at Yale University Medical School; Yale faculty member from 1895 to 1941; 18 Jan.

**Sergei L. Rubinshtein**, Moscow, U.S.S.R.; 70; psychologist; corresponding member of the Soviet Academy of Sciences; author of Stalin prize winning work, *The Foundations of General Psychology*; former director of the Institute of Psychology in Moscow; 11 Jan.

**H. W. B. Skinner**, Geneva, Switzerland; 59; head of the physics department of Liverpool University; former head of the general physics division of the Atomic Energy Research Establishment at Harwell, England; 20 Jan.