

**Burrell Wood** has joined the staff of Science Service, Washington, D.C., as editor of the monthly experimental publication kits and as assistant editor of the magazine *Chemistry*. Wood was formerly at the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology, Socorro, N.M., where he was professor of chemistry, admissions counselor, and assistant to the president.

Also at Science Service, **Leslie V. Watkins** has been made executive secretary of Science Clubs of America, succeeding **Dorothy Schriver**, who has been made assistant director for administration of Science Service and also continues as coordinator of the Westinghouse Science Talent Search. Miss Watkins came to Science Service from Roanoke, Va., with background experience of 13 years as a biology and physics teacher, science club sponsor, and active member of the junior and senior Virginia academies of science.

**Kao Liang Chow**, associate professor of physiology at the University of Chicago since 1954, has been appointed associate professor of medicine (neuro-histochemistry) at the Stanford University School of Medicine. Also, **William van Bogaert Robertson**, formerly of the University of Vermont, has been named associate professor of biochemistry in the department of pediatrics. Robertson will direct the laboratories and the research program at the Stanford Convalescent Home. Both appointments became effective on 1 January.

Two other long-term appointments at Stanford have been announced.

**Ellis N. Cohen** has been appointed associate professor of anesthesia, starting 1 July. He is at present associate clinical professor of anesthesiology at the University of Minnesota. He has been chief of the department of anesthesiology at Charles T. Miller Hospital, St. Paul, since 1949.

**Bruno Gerstl** has been appointed associate professor of pathology, effective 1 September. He will be in charge of laboratory services in the Palo Alto Veterans Administration Hospital. Gerstl has been chief of laboratory service at Oakland Veterans Hospital and an assistant clinical professor of pathology at the University of California since 1947.

**Louis J. Baume**, chairman of the department of dental medicine at the University of Geneva, will deliver the second Mershon Memorial Lecture on "Principles of Cephalofacial Develop-

ment Revealed by Experimental Biology," at the meeting of the American Association of Orthodontists on 17 April in Denver, Colo.

**Rudolf L. Baer** has been appointed chairman of the department of dermatology and syphilology at the New York University Medical Center, with which he has long been associated. In addition, he will serve as director of the dermatology and syphilology department at the New York University Hospital, including the Skin and Cancer Unit, and as visiting physician-in-charge of the dermatology and syphilology service at the Bellevue Hospital Center.

**Lyman E. Fourt**, assistant director of the Harris Research Laboratories, Washington, D.C., has been chosen as the 12th recipient of the Harold DeWitt Smith Memorial Medal, given by Committee D-13 of the American Society for Testing Materials. The medal, which is awarded annually for outstanding achievement in the science of textile fiber utilization, will be presented on 2 March at the Sheraton-Atlantic Hotel, New York, during the spring meeting of the committee.

The University of Michigan has announced that a number of faculty members will be on leave during the 1961-62 academic year.

**David F. Bohr**, professor of physiology, will take a sabbatical year to work in the laboratory of Hans Schaeffer of the University of Heidelberg. He will continue his study of single contracting muscle cells.

**Minor J. Coon**, professor of biological chemistry, will take a sabbatical year to work in the laboratory of Vladimir Prelog of the Technische Hochschule, Zurich, Switzerland.

**Everett L. Ellis**, associate professor of wood technology, has been granted half-time leave for the second semester of 1960-61 and the university year 1961-62 to permit him to serve as executive secretary of a special committee of the Society of Wood Science and Technology that is charged with conducting a study of educational needs in those areas. The study will be financed by the National Science Foundation.

**Robert M. Haythornthwaite**, professor of engineering science in the department of engineering mechanics, will be on leave during the second semester of 1960-61. He will devote the time to research and travel, with the University of Cambridge, England, as his base.

**Floyd A. Peyton**, professor of dentistry, is taking sabbatical leave from mid-January to mid-July to engage in research in countries of the Middle East, particularly in the United Arab Republic. The U.S. Department of State will help meet Peyton's travel and living expenses.

**Jerome D. Schein** has been appointed director of the Office of Psycho-Educational Research of Gallaudet College. He succeeds **Stephen P. Quigley**, who resigned to become executive secretary of the Sensory Disabilities Research Study Section of the U.S. Office of Vocational Rehabilitation. Schein has been affiliated with Gallaudet since last September, when he was appointed professor of psychology and clinical psychologist on the staff of the college's new Counseling Center for the Deaf.

**William P. Jacobs** of the biology department, Princeton University, is the new president of the Society for the Study of Development and Growth.

**Anthony Ralston**, manager of technical computing at the American Cyanamid Company, has been appointed an associate professor at Stevens Institute of Technology, where he will teach mathematics and take charge of the college's new high-speed computer.

**William F. Talburt** has been named director of the Rome, Italy, office of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Foreign Research and Technical Programs Division. He was formerly assistant director of the Western Utilization Research and Development Division of USDA's Agricultural Research Service at Albany, Calif.

Talburt succeeds **Walter M. Scott**, an authority in the field of textile chemistry, who has been named assistant director of the Washington office of the Foreign Research and Technical Programs Division. He is former assistant administrator of utilization research in ARS and assistant chief of the Bureau of Agricultural and Industrial Chemistry.

After a 6-month leave devoted to writing and teaching, **W. C. Kelly** has resumed his post at the American Institute of Physics as director of education and editor of the newsletter.

*Erratum:* Thomas J. King is the head of the department of embryology at the Institute for Cancer Research, Philadelphia, not the former head, as reported in *Science* [133, 268 (27 Jan. 1961)].