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The **British Association for the Advancement of Science** will hold its 123rd meeting in Norwich, Norfolk, England, 30 August–6 September. The main program is arranged in 15 sections, covering almost every field of science. A number of complimentary tickets are available for overseas science students. (Secretary, BAAS, 18 Adam St., London, W.C.2)

A meeting on **smoking and lung cancer** and associated questions will be conducted as part of the 33rd session of the International Statistical Institute, to be held in Paris, 28 August–7 September. The main papers and the discussion will be published in the *Bulletin de l'Institut International de Statistique*. (Joseph Berkson, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn.)

The first **National (Mexican) Congress of Anatomy**, sponsored by the Mexican Society of Anatomy, will be held in Mexico City 10–14 September. United States anatomists are invited to attend. (Fernando Quiroz Pavia, Admon de Correos 70, Apartado No. 25279, Mexico 20, D.F., Mexico)

The Pan American Association of **Ophthalmology** will hold an interim congress in Lima, Peru, 28 January–3 February 1962. The congress will include a round table in diagnosis and nonsurgical therapy of glaucoma; a symposium on steroid therapy; and individual papers on the cornea. Postgraduate courses will be given in English, Spanish, and Portuguese. Simultaneous translations will be available during discussions. Deadline: 30 October 1961. (John M. McLean, 525 E. 68 St., New York 21)

Scientists in the News

Paul C. Cross, professor and executive officer of the University of Washington's department of chemistry, has been named president, chief executive officer, and a trustee of the Mellon Institute.

Winston K. Shorey, interim associate dean of the University of Miami's School of Medicine, has been appointed dean of the University of Arkansas Medical School.

Carl W. Gottschalk, associate professor of cardiology at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine, has been awarded the lifetime post of career investigator by the American Heart Association.

New members of the National Cancer Institute's Board of Scientific Counselors:

Howard E. Skipper; Southern Research Institute, Birmingham, Ala.

Richard E. Shope; Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, New York.

William U. Gardner; Yale University School of Medicine.

Hugh R. Butt of the Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minn., will serve as the new chairman, succeeding **Philip P. Cohen**.

Arthur C. Allen, professor of pathology at the University of Miami Medical School, will become director of laboratories at the Jewish Hospital of Brooklyn and clinical professor of pathology at State University Medical School, Downstate Medical Center, Brooklyn, N.Y., on 1 September.

Recent additions to the Harvard University faculty:

Herman M. Kalekar, professor of biology and biochemistry at Johns Hopkins' McCollum-Pratt Institute, will become professor of biological chemistry.

Thomas E. Frothingham, assistant professor of pediatrics at the New York University School of Medicine, will become assistant professor of tropical public health.

Harold F. Parks, associate professor of anatomy at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry, has been appointed professor of zoology at Cornell University.

Newly elected members of the Council for the Advancement of Science Writing:

Joseph Kaplan, physicist and chairman of the U.S. National Committee for the International Geophysical Year.

William P. Steven, editor of the *Houston Chronicle*, Houston, Tex.

Ernest G. Anderson, professor of genetics at California Institute of Technology, is retiring after 33 years as a member of the faculty.

George N. Papanicolaou, exfoliative cytologist at Cornell Medical College, has accepted the directorship of the Cancer Institute, Miami.

Carl E. Taylor, associate professor of preventive medicine and public health at Harvard, has been granted a year's leave of absence to organize a 5-year research study of rural internships in Indian medical colleges. He will be visiting professor of preventive medicine at the Ludhiana Christian Medical College in the Punjab.

Frank T. Piskur, director of the Department of the Interior's Fishery Technological Laboratory, College Park, Md., has been named assistant regional director of the Alaska office of the department's Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, Juneau.

Walter S. Bradfield, senior scientist at the General Dynamics Scientific Research Laboratory, San Diego, has been appointed professor of engineering and chairman of the department of thermal sciences and fluid mechanics at the new State University of New York.

S. K. Hoffman, president of Rocketdyne, a part of North American Aviation, Inc., and **T. F. Dixon**, vice-president of Rocketdyne's research and engineering division, are co-recipients of the 1960 Louis W. Hill space transportation award, administered by the Institute of Aerospace Sciences.

Recent Deaths

Charles H. Bunting, 86; emeritus professor of pathology at the University of Wisconsin, and lecturer in pathology at Yale University Medical School from 1945 to 1955; 27 May.

Joseph H. Faull, 91; emeritus professor of forest pathology at Harvard University; 30 June.

Lee de Forest, 87; inventor of the radio tube; 30 June.

H. Richard Gault, 46; professor and head of the department of geology at Lehigh University; 5 July.

Walter C. G. Kirchner, 85; member of the Jewish Hospital of St. Louis (Mo.) medical staff since 1933; 15 May.

Erratum: The first announcement in the news section of the 7 July issue (p. 39, col. 3) referred to the "American Institute of Microbiology." This should have read "American Academy of Microbiology."

Erratum: In the report "Synthesis of uracil under conditions of a thermal model of prebiological chemistry," by S. W. Fox and K. Harada [133, 1923 (16 June 1961)], the abbreviation "dec." meaning decomposition, was twice incorrectly expanded to "decrease." The two errors appear in the last two paragraphs of col. 2, p. 1923.