

majority of students in the department expressed support for the training arrangement. Whatever the merits, many newspapers gave as much notice to this rather small incident as they did to MRE's 3-day open house.

The agitation against chemical and biological warfare (CBW) is, of course, going to continue, but one of the most effective and persistent participants will no longer hold the strategic position that he used so well. He is Tam Dalyell, the Labour M.P. from Scotland, who last summer was reprimanded by Parliament for leaking a report of a CBW inquiry conducted by Parliament's Select Committee on Science and Technology (*Science*, 9 August). Dalyell, it has been learned, is not to be renominated for membership on the committee when it is reassembled for the newly opened session of Parliament. He will retain the post of parliamentary private secretary to a highly influential cabinet officer, Richard Crossman, who heads the newly established Department of Health and Social Security—which shows that Dalyell is far from out of grace. But the CBW issue nettles the British government, as is shown by the retribution that is being meted out for the trivial offense of releasing an unclassified document that was to be released anyway in a few days.

One other matter concerning CBW is worth noting. It is charged here that Britain is the source of various materiel items for the U.S. in Vietnam, and that these include chemical defoliants, for which military demand has severely taxed U.S. production facilities. The U.S. Defense Department denies it is using British-made defoliants, and so do the British. And no firm evidence has been offered by those making the accusations. Figures obtained by *Science* from H.M. Customs and Excise don't controvert these denials, but they do suggest that, while American-made weed killers are going to war, British manufacturers have markedly increased their exports to the U.S. It must be stressed that the volume of material is small, but, percentagewise, the growth is enormous. In 1965, British exports of weed killer to the U.S. totaled only 860 hundredweight. The following year the total was 1901 hundredweight; in 1967, it had risen to 5452; and in the first 7 months of this year, it was 5440. Assuming that these official figures tell the true story, one must recognize that these amounts are next to nothing as compared to the total output of both countries.—D. S. GREENBERG

APPOINTMENTS



W. W. Rubey



S. S. Penner

William W. Rubey, professor of geology and geophysics at University of California, Los Angeles, will keep this position and will also become director of the Lunar Science Institute and adjunct professor of geology at Rice University. . . . **S. S. Penner**, director of the Institute for Pure and Applied Physical Sciences and chairman of the department of aerospace and mechanical engineering science at the University of California, San Diego at La Jolla, will keep his position of director of the institute and will also become vice chancellor for academic affairs at the university. . . . **John F. Parsons**, associate director of NASA's Ames Research Center, to acting director of the center; he succeeds **H. Julian Allen**, who is retiring. . . . **Denis L. Fox**, professor of marine biochemistry at the University of California, San Diego, to chairman of the marine biology research division of the university's Scripps Institution of Oceanography. . . . **Dean A. Horn**, production officer for the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, to professor of naval construction in the department of naval architecture and marine engineering and head of the department of naval science at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. . . . **Albert I. Rubenstone**, chairman of pathology and director of laboratories at Mount Sinai Hospital Medical Center will remain in this position and also become chairman of the department of pathology at the Chicago Medical School/University of Health Sciences. . . . **Robert K. Chipman**, professor of zoology and associate dean of the graduate college at the University of Vermont to chairman of the department of zoology at the University of Rhode Island. . . . **T. Joseph Reeves**, professor of medicine and director of the Cardiovascular Research and Training Center, University of Alabama Medical Center, to chairman of the department of medicine at the Medical College of Alabama. . . . **Frederick M. Fowkes**,

director of basic research at Sprague Electric Company, to chairman of the department of chemistry at Lehigh University. . . . **E. Leigh Secrest**, dean of the Texas Christian University Graduate School, to vice-chancellor for advanced studies and research and president of the Research Foundation at the university. . . . **Warren G. Bennis**, provost of social sciences and administration at the State University of New York at Buffalo, to vice president for academic affairs at the university. . . . **Robert J. Hubner**, chief of the Laboratory of Viral Disease in the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health, to chief of the Viral Carcinogenesis Branch of the National Cancer Institute, NIH.

RECENT DEATHS

Joseph A. Bell, 64; former chief of the epidemiology section of the laboratory of infectious diseases of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health; 29 October.

Herbert F. Copeland, 66; instructor of life sciences at Sacramento City College; 16 October.

Frederic J. Farnell, 83; former clinical professor of psychiatry at New York Medical College; 4 November.

Nicholas J. Giarman, 48; professor of pharmacology at Yale University School of Medicine; 10 October.

William C. Kistler, 45; head of the department of science at the U.S. Naval Academy; 25 October.

Walter D. Lambert, 89; former chief of the section of gravity and astronomy at the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey; 27 October.

Paul B. Magnuson, 84; former chief medical director of the Veterans Administration; 5 November.

Lise Meitner, 89; the Austrian nuclear physicist who did much of the theoretical groundwork on which the atomic bomb was developed; 27 October.

J. Peter Nettl, 40; professor of political science and sociology at the University of Pennsylvania; 25 October.

Henry J. Oosting, 65; professor of botany at Duke University; 30 October.

Helen G. Russell, 67; former head of the department of mathematics at Wellesley College; 24 October.

Marshall H. Wrubel, 44; professor of astronomy at Indiana University; 26 October.