

His death has left a void in the lives of many and has deprived the cause of culture of a strong supporter. A. M. T.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

By the will of M. Daniel Osiris, the Pasteur Institute of Paris receives an additional endowment of \$5,000,000. It is said that the institute will establish branches for scientific research in various places in France and the French colonies.

THE Berlin Academy of Sciences has elected to membership Dr. Johannes Orth, professor of pathological anatomy; Dr. Max Rubner, professor of hygiene, and Dr. Albrecht Penck, professor of geography, all of the University of Berlin.

As has been already announced, the buildings of the Carnegie Institute, Pittsburg, will be dedicated on April 11, 12 and 13. A number of distinguished foreigners will be present, including among men of science: Sir Robert Ball, professor of astronomy, Cambridge University; Mr. Guglielmo Marconi; Dr. P. Chalmers Mitchell, secretary of the London Zoological Society; Sir William Henry Preece, electrical engineer; Sir William Turner, principal of Edinburgh University; M. Marcellin Boule, director of the Paris Museum of Natural History, and Professor Friedrich S. Archenhold, director of the Treptow Observatory.

SIR CHARLES TODD, F.R.S., director of the Astronomical and Meteorological Observatory of South Australia, has retired, having reached the age of eighty years. He was, until last year, also postmaster general and superintendent of telegraphs. Sir Charles is succeeded in the directorship of the observatory by Mr. F. Griffith.

At a meeting of the Nebraska Academy of Medicine, held in Lincoln on January 10, a committee of five, consisting of Drs. Solon R. Towne, Alexander S. von Mansfelde, Henry B. Ward, Robert H. Wolcott and H. Winnett Orr, was appointed to make an effort to obtain the Nobel prize for Dr. James Carroll, U. S. Army.

DR. N. L. BRITTON, director of the New York Botanical Garden, accompanied by Mrs. Britton and Dr. Charles F. Millspaugh, curator of botany in the Field Museum of Natural History, have gone to Nassau, where a schooner will be chartered for a cruise among the smaller islands of the Bahamian group. This is Dr. Britton's fourth trip to the Bahamas, and it is understood that a volume on their flora will be published by him in connection with Dr. Millspaugh.

At the Leicester meeting of the British Association the evening lectures will be by Mr. W. Duddell, on 'The Arc and the Spark in Radio-telegraphy,' and by Dr. F. A. Dixey, on 'Recent Developments in the Theory of Mimicry.' The lecture to the operative classes will be given by Professor H. A. Miers, F.R.S., on 'The Growth of a Crystal.'

LORD AVEBURY has been elected president of the Royal Microscopical Society.

At the annual meeting of the London Entomological Society, on January 23, the retiring president, Mr. F. Merrifield, made the address. Mr. C. O. Waterhouse was elected president for the ensuing year.

PROFESSOR A. LAWRENCE LOWELL, who holds the chair of the science of government at Harvard University, has been selected to be the special Harvard lecturer at Yale University for 1907. This lectureship, as will be remembered, was founded in 1905 by the gift of \$10,000 from an anonymous Harvard graduate; the income of the fund to be used in securing members of the Harvard faculty to give lectures at Yale.

DR. DAVID P. BARROWS, director of the Bureau of Education of the Philippine Islands, gave a lecture on 'Mohammedanism in the Philippine Islands' before the California branch of the American Folk-lore Society on February 7.

THE ninth lecture in the Harvey Society Course will be delivered by Professor W. T. Councilman, professor of pathology, Harvard University, at the New York Academy of Medicine, on Saturday, February 23 at 8:30 p.m. Subject: 'The Relation of Certain

Leucocytes to Infectious Diseases.' All interested are cordially invited to be present.

THE Portuguese members of the Fifteenth International Medical Congress, held in April last, have presented Professor Miguel Bombarda with a gold medal and an address expressing their appreciation of his services as organizing secretary of the congress.

THE Emperor of Austria has conferred on Duke Karl Theodor, of Bavaria, the Order for Art and Science in recognition of his distinction as an ophthalmologist.

THE British Academy has received the sum of £10,000 for the purpose of establishing a memorial to the late Mr. Leopold Schweich of Paris. In accordance with the wishes of the donor, the endowment is to be called 'The Leopold Schweich Fund,' and is to be devoted to the furtherance of research in the archeology, art, history, languages, and literature of ancient civilization, with reference to Biblical study.

PROFESSOR THOMAS CONDON, who held the chair of geology in the University of Oregon, died on February 11, at the age of seventy-five years.

MR. WILLIAM SIMMS, senior fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society, died on January the second in his ninetieth year.

MR. E. B. McCLELLAN, third assistant at the Radcliffe Observatory, Oxford, died on January 2, at the age of forty-five years.

MR. F. P. H. STIRLING, professor of mathematics in the Christian College at Madras, has died at the early age of twenty-six years.

THE death is announced of Professor Pierre Budin, of Paris, known for his work on obstetrics and the hygiene of infancy.

WE regret also to learn of the death of Dr. Clement Schlueter, who not long ago retired from the professorship of geology at Bonn University. Professor Schlueter was a paleontologist who had devoted much attention to the cretaceous fossils of north Germany, particularly to the Echinoidea. His work on them was distinguished by learning, care and accuracy.

THERE will, on March 5, be civil service examinations for geologists in the Philippine service, at a salary of \$2,000, and for irrigation manager in the Office of Experiment Stations, of which there are five vacancies, at salaries of from \$1,800 to \$2,500.

THE National Educational Association will hold its fiftieth anniversary meeting at Los Angeles from July 8 to 12. It was originally intended to hold this meeting in Philadelphia, where the association was organized in 1857, but the railways would not grant the usual terms, by which the membership fee is collected with the ticket and return privileges granted until September 1. Dr. Nathan C. Schaeffer, superintendent for Pennsylvania, is president of the association.

THE fourteenth International Congress of Hygiene and Demography will be held at Berlin from September 23 to 29. Communications relative to the congress should be addressed to the general secretary, Dr. Nietner, Eichhornstrasse 9, Berlin, 9 W.

THE seventh International Congress of Physiology will be held this year at Heidelberg from August 13 to 16, under the presidency of Professor August Kossel. In connection with the congress there will be an exhibition of scientific apparatus. Announcements of communications should be sent to the Physiological Institute, Heidelberg, before June 15.

AN International Congress for Psychiatry, Neurology and the Care of the Insane is being organized under the auspices of the Dutch Society of Psychiatry and Neurology, to be held at Amsterdam from the second to the ninth of September of the present year. Those who have been invited to be American members of the committee of arrangements are: G. Alden Blumer, Providence; Charles K. Mills, John K. Mitchell and S. Weir Mitchell, of Philadelphia, and R. G. Rabinovitch, of New York City.

WE learn from the *Journal of the American Medical Association* that the universities at Heidelberg, Berlin and Tübingen have each received 10,000 Marks from the estate of the

late eminent ophthalmologist, Herman Cohn, of Breslau. The income from each endowment is to be awarded as a prize for research in ophthalmology.

THE Wisconsin Archeological Society has secured an option on and will purchase the remarkable man mound near Baraboo and thus make it accessible to the public. The money necessary to its purchase will be raised by popular subscription.

At a meeting held on January 29 at the residence of M. Beernaert, Minister of State, it was decided to organize a new Belgian South Polar expedition. It is also announced that a new British expedition to the South Polar regions will leave England next October under the command of E. H. Shackleton, who was third lieutenant on the *Discovery* expedition.

We learn from *Nature* that an Association for the Promotion of Flight is in course of formation. The association will aim at assisting inventors and investigators to carry out experiments in artificial flight. In order to secure that no funds shall be subscribed by speculators with any hope of return, it is proposed that, in the case of its ultimate success in its object, the valuable assets, such as a facility for constructing practicable flight machines, should be handed, free of cost, to the nation. A provisional committee has been appointed, which includes the Hon. C. A. Parsons, F.R.S., Sir William Crookes, F.R.S., Major B. F. S. Baden-Powell and others.

THE Prussian government has authorized the organization of a lottery for the benefit of Gen. Count Zeppelin's further experiments in airship building.

THE Rothamsted Experimental Station in Hertfordshire has received a gift of £2,000 from the Permanent Nitrate Committee.

REUTER'S AGENCY is informed that Major Powell Cotton has sent home a complete skeleton of an okapi, the skull of which is said to be probably one of the most remarkable specimens ever brought to this country. In addition, there is a beautifully marked and perfect skin in a better condition than that now in the national collection. Major Powell Cotton

has also sent to England the skin of a young okapi. All are now at the British Museum.

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS

THE appellate division of the Supreme Court has decided that the will of the late Wallace Andrews of New York City, bequeathing more than \$1,500,000 for a school for girls at Willoughby, Ohio, is valid. The money was to go to the Smithsonian Institution in case the bequest for the school was invalid.

MR. A. McCHARLES has bequeathed \$10,000 to the University of Toronto, to establish prizes for scientific discoveries.

SIR COWASJEE JEHANGHIR READYMONEY has offered to the Bombay government the sum of \$80,000 for the erection of a university examination hall in Bombay, thus following the example of his father in giving to the city the Elphinstone College buildings and the Senate-hall of the university.

MR. W. F. STANLEY, of the firm of optical and scientific instrument makers, has built and endowed a new trade technical school at South Norwood Hill, for 400 boys, at a cost of some \$250,000.

THE late Dr. John Wight has left £3,000 to Aberdeen University to found four or more medical bursaries.

We learn from *The British Medical Journal* that Dr. Schorstein, whose early death deprived the London Hospital of one of the ablest members of its medical staff, has bequeathed £500 to that hospital. He has also bequeathed £500 to the regius professor of medicine at Oxford, and the residue of his estate to the university chest at Oxford, subject to trusts to pay the income to his mother and sister for their lives, with ultimate remainder for such purposes as the Hebdomadal Council may decide. He expressed the hope that the bequest would be used for something in connection with the medical school at Oxford. The Oxford medical school will probably eventually benefit by a capital sum of between seven and eight thousand pounds.

MEDICAL journals note the beginning of a movement to establish a university in Frank-