

than any other phase of the war. One of the great moments of my life was when, after months of work as consultant, I found myself an officer of the U.S.N.R.F. for scientific service. I have a suspicion that my appointment transgressed many Naval traditions.¹

Dodge carried heavy editorial responsibilities: Editor, *Psychological Bulletin*, 1904-1910; *Psychological Review*, 1910-1915; *Journal of Experimental Psychology*, 1916-1920; *Psychological Monographs*, 1927-1931; associate editor of *Journal of Comparative Psychology*, *Psycho-Biology* and *Journal of General Psychology*.

He had many responsibilities in learned societies, notably, the National Academy of Sciences, the National Research Council, chairman of the division of anthropology and psychology in 1922-1923, and American Psychological Association, president, 1916-1917.

His bibliography up to 1931 is published in the *Psychological Register*.² His autobiography appears in Volume I of the "History of Psychology in Autobiography."

In 1924 he went to Yale and associated himself with the psychological triumvirate—Dodge, Yerkes and Miles in the Institute of Human Relations, from which he retired in 1936.

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RECENT DEATHS

DR. JOSEPH CHARLES ARTHUR, since 1915 emeritus professor of botany at Purdue University, died on April 30 at the age of ninety-two years.

DR. JOHN H. SKINNER, professor of animal husbandry and dean emeritus of the School of Agriculture of Purdue University, died on April 28 at the age of sixty-eight years.

SCIENTIFIC EVENTS

THE MARINE BIOLOGICAL STATION AT PORT ERIN

ACCORDING to the report of the acting director of the Marine Biological Station at Port Erin, work during 1941 was again determined by the continuance of war conditions. Visits by student classes have been rendered all but impossible by the ban on residence within the Port Erin Internment Camp of any but the permanent population of the village. Nevertheless, a number of postgraduate workers and one school class have been able to make use of the station's facilities, under police permit, while occupying rooms outside the camp area—a course recommended to other prospective workers. The closure of Port Erin to summer visitors has reduced the income from the aquarium to negligible proportions, so that this side of the work is being kept at care-and-maintenance level. Endeavor has been made, by cooperation with the Army Educational Scheme and in other ways, to render service to the members of H.M. Forces now in the island. There have been several organized visits by parties of soldiers, and the acting director has given numerous illustrated lectures, on marine and other topics, at two military centers. On the scientific side, the work of both staff and visiting research workers has been closely aligned with that of certain official and quasi-official investigations into (a) the reproduction and growth-rate of certain seaweeds of industrial importance, with a view to their rational harvesting, and (b) the further development, under war conditions, of the fishing potentiality of Manx waters.

¹ C. Murchison (Ed.), "History of Psychology in Autobiography," Vol. I, 1930, 99-121. Worcester, Mass.: Clark University Press.

More time than usual has this year been devoted to the library; a considerable overhaul has taken place, arrears of binding made good and an entirely new shelf-catalogue and an accessions register prepared.

With the help of one or two assistants with experience in library work, the collection of separata on marine biological and hydrographical subjects, numbering several thousand papers, has been entirely reorganized.

In view of the continued deprivation of income from the public aquarium and from fee-paying students, the departmental grant of the university to the station, for the session 1941-42, has been increased from £150 to £200. A renewal for the same session of the grant-in-aid from H.M. Development Commission of £100 is also acknowledged.

STANDARDS OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING MATERIALS

THE Executive Committee of the American Society for Testing Materials has recognized the desirability of providing for prompt modification of standards during the national emergency and that some appropriate method be established in anticipation of necessary changes, particularly in specification requirements, due to possible rapid shifts in the available supply of materials under present conditions.

The procedure planned, as given in the *Bulletin* of the society, provides that

in the case of certain metals and alloying elements, for instance, scarcity and the need of conservation for defense purposes might point to the need of modifying the usual

² C. Murchison (Ed.), "The Psychological Register," Vol. III, 1932, 133-134. Worcester, Mass.: Clark University Press.