

## Scientists in the News

**Paul B. Sears**, ecologist and chairman of the conservation department at Yale University, will retire on 30 June.

Sears served as president of the AAAS in 1956 and in 1958 was elected to membership on the National Science Board.

He received a bachelor of science degree from Ohio Wesleyan in 1913, a master's degree from the University of Nebraska in 1915, and a doctoral degree, summa cum laude, from the University of Chicago in 1922. From 1927 to 1938 he was professor of botany and chairman of the department at the University of Oklahoma, and from 1938 to 1950 he held the same positions at Oberlin. He joined the Yale faculty in 1950.

**Alvin M. Weinberg**, director of Oak Ridge National Laboratory, and **George W. Beadle**, professor and chairman of the division of biology at California Institute of Technology, have been appointed to the President's Science Advisory Committee.

**H. E. Menker**, head of the chemistry development department of Tracerlab, Inc., Richmond, Calif., has been named director of the analytical division of the Health and Safety Laboratory, New York Operations Office, U.S. Atomic Energy Commission.

**David W. Bareis**, formerly on the staff of Atomics International, is now a research scientist in the nuclear systems division of the Marquardt Corp., Van Nuys, Calif.

**Harold H. Zeiss**, research associate with the Monsanto Chemical Co., Dayton, Ohio, is taking a year's leave of absence, beginning in September, to study at the universities of Munich and Heidelberg in Germany.

**Bernard E. Conley**, director of the committee on toxicology of the American Medical Association, has accepted a position as medical research consultant to Hoffmann-La Roche, Inc., Chicago, Ill.

**Vincent Massey**, a member of the department of biochemistry at the University of Sheffield (England) is visiting associate professor of biochemistry at the University of Illinois until 31 July.

**Marcelo Alonso**, professor of theoretical physics at the University of Havana (Cuba), has received a 1-year appointment as scientific adviser in the Office of Science Development of the Pan American Union, Washington, D.C.

**Harold B. Pierce**, chairman of the department of biochemistry of the College of Medicine, University of Vermont, will retire at the end of the current academic year. He will be succeeded by **Donald B. Melville**, associate professor of biochemistry at the Medical College of Cornell University.

**Jordan J. Markham**, former director of the basic research programs in solid-state physics for the Zenith Radio Corp., Chicago, Ill., is now scientific adviser in physics research at Armour Research Foundation of Illinois Institute of Technology.

**Feodor Lynen**, of the Max Planck Institute for Cell Chemistry in Munich, Germany, will give the Karl Folkers lectures on 18, 19, and 21 April in the department of chemistry and chemical engineering of the University of Illinois, and on 25, 27, and 29 April in the department of chemistry at the University of Wisconsin. The series is sponsored by Merck and Co.

**Hilger P. Jenkins**, clinical professor of surgery in the College of Medicine of the University of Illinois, has been named professor of surgery at the University of Chicago.

**Irvine H. Page**, director of research for the Cleveland Clinic Foundation, has been appointed to membership on the Expert Advisory Panel of the World Health Organization.

**A. J. Nicholson** has retired as chief of the division of entomology of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, Melbourne, Australia. **Douglas F. Waterhouse** has been named to succeed him.

**J. A. Armstrong**, a member of the scientific staff of the Medical Research Council at the National Institute for Medical Research, Mill Hill, England, will attend the International Congress of Anatomy in New York 11-16 April. He will visit in Boston and Washington before returning to England on 23 April.

**Cornelius W. Pettinga**, head of the biochemical research department of Eli Lilly and Co., has been named assistant to the vice president for research.

**Katherine Esau**, professor of botany at the University of California, Davis, is the first woman ever selected to deliver the Prather Lectures in biology at Harvard University. She will discuss the relations between plants, insects, and viruses on 12, 19, and 21 April.

**Vladimir J. Glaser**, senior staff member of the theoretical division of the Central European Laboratory of Nuclear Research, has been appointed professor of physics at the University of Maryland.

**Harold G. Cassidy**, professor of chemistry at Yale University, will discuss "Fission or fusion: The problem of the sciences and the humanities" at a number of colleges and universities, as a Sigma Xi national lecturer, from 19 April through 17 May.

## Recent Deaths

**George A. Edwards**, Albany, N.Y.; 46; associate research scientist in micromorphology at the laboratories and research division of the New York State Department of Health; 1 Mar.

**Lloyd C. Fogg**, Newton Center, Mass.; 60; chief of laboratory at the Pondville State Cancer Hospital; former registrar and associate professor of histology and embryology at the Boston University School of Medicine; 28 Feb.

**Louis O. Kunkel**, Newton, Pa.; 75; plant pathologist; faculty member of the Rockefeller Institute from 1931 to 1949; did research on the relationship of viruses to plant diseases; 20 Mar.

**Sheila S. Macintyre**, Cincinnati, Ohio; 49; visiting associate professor of mathematics at the University of Cincinnati; faculty member of Aberdeen University (Scotland); 21 Mar.

**Daniel A. McGinty**, Detroit, Mich.; 63; laboratory director in physiology and endocrinology of Parke, Davis and Co.; 27 Jan.

**Charles Oberling**, Paris, France; 64; director of the Gustav-Roussy Institute for Cancer Research at Villejuif, France; dean of the medical faculty at the University of Teheran, 1939-47; author of *The Riddle of Cancer*; 11 Mar.