

promised on questions previously arranged for discussion in relation to the Quaternary of Austria and the Alpine glaciations covering stratigraphy, chronology, morphology, climate, prehistory and speleology. MM. Menghin, Kyrle, Beninger and Liebus will devote attention to the palaeolithic period. Arrangements have been made for two excursions while the Congress is in session. Of these, one will visit the loess regions of the Danube Valley (Gottweig, Krems) and the other those in the neighbourhood of Vienna (Laaerberg). At the close there will be a one-day excursion to the Drachenhöhle of Mixnitz, while on September 7-8 an excursion will visit the loess of Weinviertel. Finally, a long excursion has been arranged for September 9-25, to visit the Austrian Alps and adjacent terrain. An illustrated guide-book is in course of preparation. Membership is a condition of attendance at the Congress, the annual subscription being 10 schillings (Austrian) or two dollars. In addition to the privilege of attendance at the Congress, members receive copies of reports which cover the progress of quaternary studies from 1908 until 1935. There are at present 180 members of the Congress drawn from twenty-five nations. Communications relating to the Congress or to membership should be addressed to Drs. Gotzinger and Ampferer, Geologische Bundesanstalt, Rasumofskygasse, Wien III, or to the General Secretary, Herr H. Gams, Botanische Institut, Innsbruck-Hötting.

Announcements

It is announced that the Right Hon. Viscount Hailsham, the Lord Chancellor, has accepted the chairmanship of the British Empire Cancer Campaign.

At the meeting of the Paris Academy of Sciences on May 25, Paul Portier was elected a member of the Section of Medicine and Surgery, in succession to the late Charles Richet.

DR. H. J. PLENDERLEITH, of the British Museum Research Laboratory, has been appointed professor of chemistry at the Royal Academy in succession to Dr. A. P. Laurie, whose term of office has expired. The professor of chemistry gives six lectures at the Royal Academy, in October and November. They are primarily intended for the Royal Academy students, but are open free to students of other art schools and Royal Academy exhibitors of the year who may wish to attend.

THE Council of the Royal Meteorological Society has awarded the Howard Prize for 1936 to Cadet John Burton Davies, of H.M.S. *Worcester*. The subject of the competition was an essay on "The Causes of Fog over the Open Sea and in Coastal Waters".

WE much regret that the name of Prof. A. C. Seward, who is retiring from the chair of botany in the University of Cambridge which he has held since 1906, was inadvertently omitted from the list in NATURE of June 27, p. 1063, of those on whom the honour of knighthood has been conferred.

ON the occasion of the Congress of Psychiatry held at Rome on April 3, a bust of the neurologist and psychologist, Prof. Sancte de Santis, was unveiled by Prof. Ponzio.

DR. MARSHALL C. BALFOUR, representative in Greece of the International Health Board of the Rockefeller Foundation, has been awarded the silver medal for distinguished services by the Greek Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters in recognition of his researches on malaria control in the Peloponnese and Macedonia.

THE eleventh International Congress of Psychology will be held at Madrid on September 6-12 under the patronage of the Spanish Republic and the presidency of Prof. E. Mira of Barcelona. The official languages will be Spanish, English, French, German and Italian. Further information can be obtained from the general secretary, Dr. José German, Instituto Nacional de Psicotecnica, Alberto Aguilera 25, Madrid.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the following appointments, on or before the dates mentioned:

A lecturer in anatomy in the University of Birmingham—The Secretary (July 7).

A scientific officer (physics or engineering) in a Government establishment in the south of England—The Secretary, Royal Engineer Board, Regent's Park Barracks, Albany Street, London, N.W.1 (July 7).

A technical assistant (male) in the Air Defence Experimental Establishment, Biggin Hill, Kent—The Superintendent (July 7).

A lecturer in production engineering in the County Technical College, Wednesbury—The Director of Education, County Education Offices, Stafford (July 9).

An assistant lecturer in civil engineering in the City and Guilds College, Imperial College of Science and Technology, Prince Consort Road, South Kensington, S.W.7—The Secretary (July 10).

Chemists (male) at the War Department Chemist, Woolwich Arsenal—The Under-Secretary of State (C.5), The War Office, London, S.W.1 (July 10).

A lecturer in mechanical engineering in the Heanor Mining and Technical School—The Director of Education, County Education Office, St. Mary's Gate, Derby (July 11).

Two assistants (Grade I), one assistant (Grade II) and two junior assistants in the Directorate of Explosives Research; and an assistant (Grade II) in the Directorate of Metallurgical Research in the Research Department, Royal Arsenal, Woolwich—The Chief Superintendent (July 11).

A lecturer in mathematics in the University of Aberdeen—The Secretary (July 17).

A lecturer in physiology in the University of Birmingham—The Secretary (July 17).

A demonstrator in human physiology in the University of Manchester—The Registrar (July 18).

A professor of social anthropology in the University of Oxford—The Registrar.