

etc., will be exhibited, and technical experts from the exhibiting firms will be present to meet any animal technicians and others concerned with the care and handling of laboratory animals. Admission to this exhibition is not confined to technicians: graduate workers will be welcome. Requests for invitations to the Congress should be addressed to the director of the Laboratory Animals Bureau, Medical Research Council Laboratories, Holly Hill, Hampstead, London, N.W.3.

Exhibition of the Petroleum Industry

AN exhibition of the petroleum industry, with emphasis on exploration and on developments in oil-fields, refineries and transport in many parts of the world, will be shown this summer at a number of university centres in Great Britain. The aim of the exhibition is broadly educational in terms of scientific and general university interest, but it is also designed to appeal to the interested layman. It is sponsored by the Shell Petroleum Co., Ltd., and the Anglo-Iranian Oil Co., Ltd. The exhibition will be opened by Sir Henry Tizard under the auspices of the Institute of Petroleum and will be available to the public as follows: April 6-21, Imperial College of Science and Technology, London; May 4-19, Royal Technical College, Glasgow; June 20-July 6, University of Leeds; July 16-28, University of Cambridge.

Colonial Service: Recent Appointments

THE following appointments in the Colonial Service have recently been announced: J. Cook (agricultural officer, Federation of Malaya), senior agricultural officer, Federation of Malaya; L. J. S. Littlejohn (soil conservation officer, Cyprus), agricultural officer, Tanganyika; J. P. Edwards (deputy director of forestry, Federation of Malaya), director of forestry, Federation of Malaya; W. A. Miller (assistant conservator of forests, Gold Coast), forest utilization officer, Gold Coast; S. Stock (senior engineer geologist, Development and Reconstruction Authority, Kenya), engineer geologist, Public Works Department, Kenya; E. C. S. Dawe (director of veterinary services, Bechuanaland Protectorate), deputy director of veterinary services, Tanganyika; S. N. Adams, soil chemist, West African Cocoa Research Institute, Gold Coast; A. Barnsley, geologist, Gold Coast; Dr. F. D. Ommanney, principal scientific officer, East African Marine Fisheries Research Survey, East Africa High Commission; Dr. J. F. G. Wheeler, senior principal scientific officer (director), East African Marine Fisheries Research Survey, East Africa High Commission; C. W. Brown, veterinary officer, Kenya; D. T. Graham and W. W. Kirkby, veterinary officers, Nigeria; J. A. R. Anderson, assistant conservator of forests, Sarawak; G. Armitage, G. E. A. Barham and P. V. G. Lang, agricultural survey officers (cocoa), Gold Coast; P. T. W. Baxter, anthropological research officer, Kenya; M. G. Christie, entomologist, Medical Department, Tanganyika; R. Desowitz, laboratory superintendent, West African Institute of Trypanosomiasis Research; B. J. A. Nowosiel-Slepown, scientific assistant, Tsetse Control, Gold Coast; T. C. E. Thomas, entomologist, Medical Department, Sierra Leone.

Announcements

PROF. JOHN F. FULTON has recently retired from the chair of physiology at Yale University in order to take up a new appointment, also at Yale, as

Sterling professor of the history of medicine. Prof. Fulton hopes to develop a small department in the field of the history of medicine and science which will be situated in the historical division of the Yale Medical Library. He also intends to continue research in his old department on certain phases of physiology.

THE Warner Medal of the Textile Institute has been awarded to Dr. J. G. Martindale, principal of the Scottish Woollen Technical College, Galashiels, in recognition of his outstanding work in textile science and technology, and particularly for work published in the Institute's *Journal*. Dr. Martindale is the sixteenth recipient of the Medal, which was inaugurated in 1930 to perpetuate the memory of the late Sir Frank Warner, president of the Institute during 1918-19.

DR. ROGER PARSONS, of the Imperial College of Science and Technology, has been appointed Junior Deeds Research Fellow in the Chemistry Department, University College, Dundee (University of St. Andrews).

THE annual conference of the Education Group of the Institute of Physics will be held at the Institute of Physics, 47 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1, during April 5-7. A public lecture will be given by Prof. A. M. Tyndall at the Fyvie Hall, Polytechnic, Regent Street, London, W.1, on April 6 at 8 p.m., his subject being "Atomic Particles—a Survey of Recent Discoveries". Attendance at the conference will be limited to about a hundred, preference being given to members of the Institute. Applications for attendance and further details should be addressed to N. Clarke, deputy secretary of the Institute, at the above address.

THE London Section of the Oil and Colour Chemists' Association, for the third year in succession, is organizing a technical trade exhibition of raw materials and equipment used in the paint, varnish and printing-ink industries, to be held at the Borough Polytechnic, Borough Road, London, S.E.1, during March 19-21 (2.30-8.30 p.m. each day). Further details can be obtained from the honorary secretary, H. C. Worsdall, c/o Plastanol, Ltd., Crabtree Manor Way, Belvedere, Kent.

THE National Association for Mental Health (Maurice Craig House, 39 Queen Anne Street, London, W.1) is holding its annual conference during March 12-13 at the St. Pancras Assembly Rooms, St. Pancras Town Hall, London, N.W.1. The subject of the conference is "Community Mental Health in Practice".

THE December 1950 issue of *L'Astronomie* contains a number of communications which will prove useful to amateur astronomers and also some matters of historical interest, such as the Henry brothers' expedition to the Pic du Midi to observe the transit of Venus on December 6, 1882. There is also an account of the discovery on February 19, 1950, by Arend, at the Royal Observatory of Belgium, of the new minor planet belonging to the Trojan group, the period of revolution of which is $11\frac{1}{2}$ years. There follows a short account of the work of Lagrange on the problem of three bodies and also on the interesting movements of the asteroids of the Trojan group. As usual, the features of the night sky for the second month after the date of issue (for February in the present case) are given together with a table of interesting phenomena.