

and Southampton), eighteen meetings were held by its Sections and Groups during the course of the year. At the conclusion of the meeting, the Bernard Dyer Memorial Lecture of the Society was given by Dr. E. B. Hughes, who spoke on "The Contribution of Public Analysts and Other Analytical Chemists to Public Welfare". The following officers and members of council were elected for the forthcoming year: *President*, D. W. Kent-Jones; *Past Presidents serving on the Council*, Lewis Eynon, G. W. Monier-Williams, J. R. Nicholls and G. Taylor; *Vice-Presidents*, C. A. Adams, A. J. Amos and T. McLachlan; *Honorary Treasurer*, J. Hamence; *Honorary Secretary*, K. A. Williams; *Other Members of Council*, D. C. M. Adamson, A. L. Bacharach, R. C. Chirnside, Miss M. Corner, D. C. Garratt, J. Haslam, C. L. Hinton, H. W. Hodgson, H. M. N. H. Irving, A. G. J. Lipscomb, R. E. Stuckey and C. Whalley; *Ex-Officio Members*, T. W. Lovett (chairman of the North of England Section), R. S. Watson (chairman of the Scottish Section), A. M. Ward (chairman of the Microchemistry Group), A. A. Smales (chairman of the Physical Methods Group) and L. J. Harris (chairman of the Biological Methods Group); *Honorary Assistant Secretary*, N. L. Allport.

#### Garth Field Studies Centre

THE Garth Memorial Youth Hostel and Field Studies Centre (by Aberfeldy, Perthshire) is situated among fine Scottish mountain scenery and countryside which give excellent opportunities for work in zoology, botany, geology, geography and archaeology. Certain rooms in Garth House are occupied by the Scottish Field Studies Association, among which are a library-lecture room and a small laboratory. Accommodation is available for individuals and for parties up to 30-40. This year, the warden (Mr. F. N. Haynes) will conduct two courses on the botany of the area (July 10-17 and 24-31). Further information can be obtained from the Joint Honorary Secretary, Scottish Field Studies Association, Department of Botany, The University, Glasgow, W.2.

#### University Visitors to Great Britain

THE Association of Universities of the British Commonwealth (5 Gordon Square, London, W.C.1) publishes a list of "Academic Visitors to the United Kingdom", based principally on information furnished by the registrars of member universities and university colleges in overseas parts of the British Commonwealth. Copies are circulated to universities, learned societies and other interested bodies in the United Kingdom with the view of assisting them, if so desiring, to make contact with current or prospective visitors. Copies can be obtained on request. The list, which gives the name, university and post for each entry, is divided into two parts: visitors already in Britain, with approximate date of departure; and non-professorial staff of Colonial institutions spending their long vacation in Britain, with approximate dates.

#### Announcements

SIR ALEXANDER FLEMING, emeritus professor of bacteriology in the University of London, has been elected a foreign associate of the Paris Academy of Sciences in succession to the late Prof. M. Lugeon. Prof. Léopold Escande, professor of the mechanics of fluids in the University of Toulouse, has been elected a non-resident member of the Academy in

succession to the late Prof. E. Bataillon. Prof. Gabriel Foëx, professor of experimental physics in the University of Strasbourg, has been elected *correspondant* for the General Physics Section in succession to Prof. L. Néel, recently elected a non-resident member.

MR. A. G. PEACOCK, secretary of the Scientific Instrument Manufacturers' Association, has resigned and joined the board of Mervyn Instruments, St. John's, Woking, Surrey. He is well known as the honorary exhibition secretary of the Physical Society.

PROF. RAGNAR GRANIT, director of the Nobel Institute for Medicine, Stockholm, will give the Silliman Lectures this year, his subject being "Receptors and Sensory Perception". The Lectures, which are open to all those interested in neurophysiology, psychology, psychiatry and related fields, will be given in Yale University on April 29 and 30 and May 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. They mark the fiftieth anniversary of the first Silliman Lectures on "The Integrative Action of the Nervous System", given in 1904 by the late Sir Charles Sherrington.

COMMONWEALTH Fund fellowships for members of the United Kingdom Home Civil Service to study in the United States during 1954-55 have been awarded to the following: A. Currall (Ministry of Materials), D. W. Davies (Department of Scientific and Industrial Research) and L. E. J. Roberts (Atomic Energy Research Establishment). Similar fellowships for those in the Colonial Civil Service have been awarded to A. L. C. Thorne (Nigeria) and K. J. Henderson (Federation of Malaya).

THE Chemical Society is offering a Corday-Morgan Award for 1953, consisting of a silver medal and a monetary prize (150 guineas), which will be made to the British chemist who published during 1953 the most meritorious contribution to experimental chemistry, and who, at the date of publication, had not attained the age of thirty-six years. Applications or recommendations in respect of the Award must be received not later than December 31, 1954. Further information can be obtained from the General Secretary of the Society, Burlington House, London, W.1.

THE Colorado School of Mines, Golden, Colorado, is offering a tuition scholarship to a male student from England for the academic year 1954-55. The scholarship, which is renewable for a maximum period of four years, carries exemption from tuition fees (about 425-475 dollars a year) but does not cover student's fee or personal expenses (about 80-110 dollars a month). Further particulars may be obtained from the Cultural Affairs Officer, American Embassy, 41 Grosvenor Square, London, W.1, or from the Secretary, Association of Universities of the British Commonwealth, 5 Gordon Square, London, W.C.1. Applications must be sent to the latter by May 1.

As part of the Tenth International Congress of Agricultural and Food Industries, to be held in Madrid during May 30-June 6 (see *Nature*, February 20, p. 339), the International Federation of Fruit Juice Producers is holding its third international congress, which will take place during June 1-2. Persons in Great Britain who wish to attend should write to the Apple Juice Producers Association of Great Britain, 8-9 North End, Wisbech, Cambs, from which further information can be obtained.