

NEWS and VIEWS

The Queen's Birthday Honours List

THE following names of scientific men and others associated with scientific work appear in the Queen's Birthday Honours List:

K.B.E.: Brigadier L. H. Harris, engineer-in-chief, Post Office.

Knights: Prof. Gordon Roy Cameron, professor of morbid anatomy, University College Hospital Medical School, University of London; Harry Campion, director, Central Statistical Office, Cabinet Office, London; Prof. Alister Clavering Hardy, Linacre professor of zoology and comparative anatomy, University of Oxford; Prof. George White Pickering, regius professor of medicine, University of Oxford.

C.B.: Dr. D. W. W. Henderson, director of the Microbiological Research Establishment, Ministry of Supply.

C.M.G.: R. O. Hennings, permanent secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Kenya.

C.B.E.: Arthur Beggs, of Beaufort, Victoria, Australia, for services to agriculture; A. T. Black, director of electronic production (munitions), Ministry of Supply; (the late) Dr. Macalister Brew, education and training officer, National Association of Mixed Clubs and Girls' Clubs; Dr. D. P. Cuthbertson, director of the Rowett Research Institute, Bucksburn, Aberdeenshire; J. W. Edmondson, assistant secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food; Basil Gray, keeper of the Department of Oriental Antiquities, British Museum; Prof. E. L. Hirst, Forbes professor of organic chemistry in the University of Edinburgh; Dr. Donald Hunter, physician and director of research, Industrial Medicine Unit, London Hospital; J. A. McMillan, senior education and advisory officer, National Agricultural Advisory Service, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food; Prof. J. L. M. Morrison, professor of mechanical engineering, University of Bristol; R. J. Noble, under-secretary and permanent head of the Department of Agriculture, New South Wales; Dr. H. W. Parker, keeper of zoology, British Museum (Natural History); Dr. J. G. Pearce, director of research, British Cast Iron Research Association; A. H. H. Ross, lately director of forestry for Scotland; D. Skilbeck, principal of Wye College, University of London; Dr. D. G. Sopwith, director of mechanical engineering research, Department of Scientific and Industrial Research; Dr. J. H. Watson, chemist and assayer, Royal Mint.

I.S.O.: Dr. J. Glasspoole, a principal scientific officer, Air Ministry; H. F. Hendry, a senior chief executive officer, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food; F. W. Johnson, assistant director, R.A.F. Aircraft Research and Development Branch (Fighters) 1, Ministry of Supply; W. R. Kerr, deputy chief veterinary research officer, Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland; D. W. La Mare, director of fisheries, Federation of Malaya and Singapore; W. B. Niven, a principal in the Department of Agriculture for Scotland; N. F. Wright, agricultural officer, Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Hong Kong.

University of Cape Town: Prof. J. P. Duminy

PROF. J. P. DUMINY has recently been appointed principal of the University of Cape Town in succession to the late Dr. T. B. Davie. Since the death of Dr.

Davie in December 1955, Prof. R. W. James has been acting principal.

Jacobus Petrus Duminy was born at Bellville, near Cape Town, on December 16, 1897. He attended the South African College School and studied mathematics and physics at the South African College, obtaining the degree of B.A. as a medallist. In 1918 the South African College became the University of Cape Town and he obtained the M.A. of the new University in 1920. He was a Rhodes Scholar and graduated B.A. and B.Sc. at Oxford in 1923 with a thesis on "Continuity and Infinity in Modern Mathematics and Philosophy". He also studied at the Sorbonne. On returning to South Africa he lectured for a time in mathematics and astronomy at the old Transvaal University College, and in 1930 was appointed to the chair of mathematics at the University of Pretoria, where he was dean of the Faculty of Science during 1933-39. In 1942 he became principal of Pretoria Technical College, which he has guided most successfully.

Prof. Duminy has served on many Government commissions on university and educational matters and has a wide knowledge of university finance and its relations to the Government. He has been a member of the Council of the University of South Africa and of the Universities Advisory Committee. He was a member of the South African delegation to the Unesco conference in 1947. Prof. Duminy is also an all-round sportsman and has played Rugby football, cricket and tennis and taken part in athletics and rowing; he played cricket for South Africa against the M.C.C. in the 1927-28 tour.

Mathematical Statistics at Brown University:

Prof. Ulf Grenander

DR. ULF GRENANDER, of the University of Stockholm, has been appointed to the newly established chair of mathematical statistics and probability at Brown University. A native of Vastervik, Sweden, Dr. Grenander received his early education there. He attended the Universities of Upsala and Stockholm, receiving his doctorate at the latter in 1950. He has since been a visiting professor at the University of Chicago and a visiting associate professor at the University of California. Returning to Sweden, he became *docent* at the University of Stockholm, where he has served as acting chairman of the Department of Mathematical Statistics, and has published papers dealing with various aspects of the subject. He will assume his post at Brown University on September 1.

Rutherford College of Technology, Newcastle upon Tyne

IN a written answer to a question in the House of Commons on June 4 regarding the establishment of a college of advanced technology in the north-east, Sir Edward Boyle, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Education, said that the Northern Advisory Council for Further Education has recently submitted a report on the pattern of technical education in the north of England with particular reference to the establishment there of a college of advanced technology. The Minister of Education agrees with the unanimous recommendation of the Council that a college of advanced technology should be established in the northern region as soon as possible. The Council made no specific recommendation, and the Minister considers that no existing college is at present suit-