

Dorothy Hill, research professor in geology in the University of Queensland, in recognition of her palaeontological and stratigraphical work; *Murchison Medal*, to Dr. G. H. Mitchell, assistant director of the Geological Survey, for his researches on Carboniferous and Lower Palaeozoic geology of the British Isles; *Wollaston Fund*, to Dr. M. R. House, lecturer at the University of Oxford, for contributions to Devonian palaeontology and stratigraphy; *Murchison Fund*, to Dr. R. W. R. Rutland, lecturer at University College, London, for contributions to the structural and metamorphic geology of northern Norway; *Lyell Fund*, a moiety to Dr. D. H. Griffiths, lecturer at the University of Birmingham, for his researches in applied geophysics in Europe, India and Antarctica; and another moiety to Dr. R. J. Firman, lecturer at the University of Nottingham, for research work on the Borrowdale Volcanic Rocks of the Lake District and the structural patterns of the Eskdale granite and adjacent areas.

#### Lady Tata International Grants, Scholarships and Fellowships for Research on Leukæmia and Allied Conditions

THE Trustees of the Lady Tata Memorial Trust invite applications for fellowships, scholarships and grants for research on leukemia, in the academic year beginning October 1. In view of the affinity between leukemia and other forms of neoplastic disease, candidates with programmes of research on any aspect of malignant disease which may throw light on problems of leukemia will be eligible for consideration, and especially those studying leukæmogenic viruses in mammals, the epidemiology and natural history of leukemia, and the genetical and cytological aspects. The awards offered by the Trust are open to suitably qualified investigators of any nationality, working either in their own institutions or in other centres abroad, in any country in which it will be possible to make payments in the coming academic year. Applications should be submitted before March 31. Further information and forms of application can be obtained from the Secretary of the (European) Scientific Advisory Committee, Lady Tata Memorial Trust, Chester Beatty Research Institute, Fulham Road, London, S.W.3.

#### University News :

##### Aberdeen

DR. R. H. THOMSON has been appointed to the newly created second chair of chemistry as from April 1. M. S. Philip has been appointed to a lectureship in forestry as from August 1.

##### Belfast

DR. G. OWEN has been appointed to the chair of ecology. Other appointments recently announced include Drs. J. W. McConkey and G. A. Woolsey to supernumerary lectureships in physics, Dr. N. Jackson to a lectureship in agricultural chemistry, and Drs. T. N. L. Patterson and A. E. Kingston to lectureships in applied mathematics.

##### East Anglia

THE Nuffield Foundation has made a grant of £42,150 for the support of work on salt and water relations of plants, under the direction of Prof. J. Dainty. This work will be regarded as complementary to related studies in plant physiology which will be carried out at Cambridge and at Queen Mary College, London, also with the Foundation's support.

Dr. L. W. Morland, at present tutor to the Faculty of Science, University of Manchester, and Dr. N. Riley, at present lecturer at the University of Durham, have been appointed to senior lectureships in mathematics in the School of Mathematics and Physical Sciences.

##### London

DR. R. PENROSE, visiting associate professor in the University of Texas, has been appointed to the readership

in mathematics tenable at Birkbeck College. The title of professor of entomology as applied to hygiene has been conferred on Dr. J. H. Busvine in respect of his post at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. The following titles of reader have been announced: Mr. G. Davidson (entomology as applied to malaria), in respect of his post at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine; Mr. W. H. N. Hotopf (psychology), in respect of his post at the London School of Economics and Political Science; Dr. J. R. Mallard (medical physics), in respect of his post at the Postgraduate Medical School of London; Dr. W. E. Ormerod (medical protozoology), in respect of his post at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine; Dr. G. P. L. Walker (geology), in respect of his post at the Imperial College of Science and Technology.

#### Announcements

MR. W. F. LESTER, chief inspector, Pollution Prevention and Fisheries Department of the Kent River Board, has been appointed chief pollution and fisheries officer of the Trent River Board and will take up his new appointment on April 1. Mr. Lester succeeds Major J. I. Spicer, who is retiring on March 31 after twenty-nine years service with the Trent River Board and its predecessor, the Trent Fishery Board.

A CONFERENCE on "High Energy Physics", arranged by the Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, will be held at the National Institute for Research in Nuclear Science, Dيدcot, during April 15-17. Further information can be obtained from the Administrative Assistant, Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, 47 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1.

A COURSE on "Recent Advances in Maternal, Foetal and Newborn Physiology and their Practical Importance in Medicine" will be held in Cambridge during April 13-15. The programme will include sessions on: functions of the placenta; the fetus and membranes; the newly born; pituitary-ovarian relationships; the metabolism of pregnancy. Further information can be obtained from the Secretary, University of Cambridge Medical School, Tennis Court Road, Cambridge.

THE second international Fermentation Symposium, under the auspices of the Society of Chemical Industry, will be held in London during April 13-17. Subjects under discussion will include: instrumentation; antibiotics and other products of fermentation; biochemical engineering; culture maintenance and genetics; continuous culture; tissue culture and vaccines. Further information can be obtained from the Honorary Secretary of the Symposium, Society of Chemical Industry, 14 Belgrave Square, London, W.1.

A SYMPOSIUM on "Phenetic and Phylogenetic Classification", organized by the Systematics Association, will be held in the University of Liverpool during April 8-9. Topics under discussion will include: recent advances in numerical taxonomy including character weighting and evolutionary interpretations; developments in phenetic classification of hominids and other groups; nature of characters and biological significance of correlation 'pleiades'; fact and fiction in phylogeny. Further information can be obtained from Dr. J. McNeill, Hartley Botanical Laboratories, the University, Liverpool. 3.

ERRATUM. In the article entitled "Some Cerebrospinal Aspects of Consciousness", by Dr. J. P. Crawford, which was published in the January 18 issue of *Nature*, lines 46-49 in column 2, p. 275, should read as follows: "focusing activities, whether their subjects be 'memorized' by the anterior limbic cortex by imprinting on the 'fluid'<sup>15</sup> emulsion present events, or introversion by the motor convexity to view the 'crystallized' screen of memory takes place".