

Birmingham); *Industrial Research*, R. M. McCleery (Magdalene College, Cambridge). Four other Fellowships in metallurgy, pre-school education and child development, arbitration (industrial), and British Commonwealth Studies, respectively, will be awarded next year. All the Fellowships, which are worth £A1,000, are for British subjects, less than thirty-five years old, with at least ten years of residence in the United Kingdom, and are designed to cover travel expenses to and from Melbourne and a stay of ten months in Victoria, commencing at the start of the academic year in March. Further details can be obtained from the Hon. Sir John Lienhop, Victoria House, Melbourne Place, Strand, London, W.C.2.

#### Society for General Microbiology: Officers

THE following have been appointed officers and committee of the Society for General Microbiology for the year 1953-54: *President*, Mr. H. J. Bunker; *Treasurer*, Dr. R. Lovell; *Meetings Secretary*, Dr. E. F. Gale; *General Secretary*, Dr. J. G. Davis; *Editors*, Prof. B. C. J. G. Knight and Mr. A. F. B. Standfast; *Committee*, Dr. P. W. Brian, Prof. W. Brown, Prof. K. E. Cooper, Dr. F. Fulton, Dr. Lillian Hawker, Dr. Betty Hobbs, Prof. J. W. Howie, Prof. J. W. McLeod, Dr. A. A. Miles, Mr. N. W. Pirie, Mr. H. Proom, Mr. G. Sykes, Dr. W. E. van Heyningen and Dr. R. E. O. Williams.

#### University of London Appointments

THE following appointments in the University of London have been announced: Dr. R. A. Shooter, senior lecturer in bacteriology in St. Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College, to the University readership in bacteriology tenable at that College. The title of professor of organic chemistry in the University has been conferred on Dr. D. H. R. Barton in respect of the post held by him at Birkbeck College, and that of reader in chemistry in the University on Dr. Allan Maccoll, in respect of the post held by him at University College.

#### Colonial Service: Recent Appointments

THE following appointments have recently been made in the Colonial Service: P. A. Gething (agricultural officer, Federation of Malaya), senior agricultural officer, Federation of Malaya; A. P. S. Forbes (senior agricultural officer, Nyasaland), M. F. H. Selby (agricultural officer, Nyasaland), R. Smith (senior agricultural officer, Nyasaland) and H. V. T. Webb (agricultural officer, Nyasaland), chief agricultural officers, Nyasaland; J. H. Mackay (senior assistant conservator of forests, Nigeria), conservator of forests, Northern Rhodesia, Nigeria; A. C. Russell (senior assistant conservator of forests, Gold Coast), conservator of forests, Gold Coast; A. Huddleston (senior geologist, Gold Coast), deputy director, Geological Survey Department, Gold Coast; H. Service (deputy director of the Geological Survey, Federation of Malaya), director of the Geological Survey, Federation of Malaya; A. H. Milne (veterinary officer, Tanganyika), chief veterinary research officer, Tanganyika; J. B. Randall (deputy director of veterinary services, Uganda), director of veterinary services and animal husbandry, Uganda; L. U. Clarke (statistician, E. African Statistical Department), assistant director, E. African Statistical Department; H. J. Kitchener (game warden, Federation of Malaya), chief game warden, Federation of Malaya; R. G. H. Wilshaw (chief research officer, Agricultural Department, Federation of Malaya),

chief registration officer, Federation of Malaya; H. Wright (drilling engineer, Geological Survey Department, Uganda), superintendent, rural water supplies, Geological Survey Department, Uganda; A. Gregor and D. A. Hutchings, veterinary officers, Northern Rhodesia; W. J. Herbert, veterinary officer, Nigeria; G. de G. Sieveking, curator, Department of Museums, Federation of Malaya; C. A. Smith, pasture research officer, Northern Rhodesia.

#### The European Cortina-Ulisse Prize, 1953

THE European Cortina-Ulisse Prize of a million lire is awarded annually by the international journal *Ulisse* for a scientific publication. For 1953, the Prize is being given in co-operation with the Italian National Productivity Centre, and will be awarded for a work on economic and social science dealing specifically with productivity. Only books printed for the first time in Europe during the past five years will be considered. Three copies may be submitted by author or publisher, and must reach the Editor, *Rivista Ulisse* (Sezione Premio Europeo Cortina-Ulisse), 43 Corso d'Italia, Rome, by October 31.

#### "Library Co-operation in Great Britain"

DR. H. T. PLEDGE, keeper of the Science Museum Library, writes: "Intending users of loan libraries may be misled by certain phrases on p. 1145 of *Nature* of June 27. It seems there to be implied that science loans are normally mediated by the National Central Library, so that a borrower's correct procedure is to apply to his local library. This, however, is only true of individual borrowers, for individuals cannot borrow direct from the Science Museum Library. Overwhelmingly the bulk of borrowing from this Library is corporate and is direct. The Regional-National Central Library system draws on a wider field, but, naturally, at the expense of promptitude. New research units should apply to the Science Museum Library direct, except for strictly medical literature, the best route for which is at present being re-examined".

#### Announcements

DR. JULIAN HUXLEY has been awarded the Kalinga Prize for distinguished popular writing in science. The Prize of one thousand pounds sterling was established in 1951 as a gift to Unesco from Mr. B. Patnaik, Indian industrialist. The first award, in 1952, was made to Prof. Louis de Broglie, of Paris.

THE following appointments have been made in the Queen's University of Belfast: Dr. W. M. Gibson (University of Bristol) and Dr. E. B. Armstrong (Armagh Observatory), to lectureships in physics; Mr. D. M. McDowell (consulting engineer), to a lectureship in civil engineering (hydraulics).

THE George E. Davis Memorial Lecture of the Institution of Chemical Engineers will be given by Mr. Norman Swindin in the Reynolds Hall, College of Technology, Manchester, on October 10. Mr. Swindin is a former pupil of George E. Davis, a pioneer in chemical engineering and author of the two-volume "Handbook of Chemical Engineering", published in 1901.

THE Société Française de Métallurgie will hold its autumn meeting in Paris during October 19-23. The Society would welcome the participation of British metallurgists, and those interested are invited to write to the Société Française de Métallurgie, 25 rue de Clichy, Paris 9<sup>e</sup>.