

University News: Bradford Institute of Technology

DR. G. D. H. LEACH, at present senior lecturer in pharmacy in the Institute, has been appointed professor of pharmacology.

Keele

DR. I. T. MILLAR has been appointed professor of organic chemistry. Dr. H. H. Greenwood has been appointed director of the University Computing Centre.

Leeds

DR. P. N. CAMPBELL has been appointed professor of biochemistry and head of the Department as from October 1, 1967.

Liverpool

DR. W. PETERS has been appointed to the Walter Myers chair of parasitology on the resignation of Prof. W. E. Kershaw.

Manchester

DR. R. B. NICHOLSON has been appointed to the newly-established chair of physical metallurgy. J. R. Moore has been appointed to the chair of oral surgery.

Southampton

THE following have been appointed to chairs: Dr. B. L. Clarkson (vibration studies); B. W. Cunliffe (archaeology); Dr. G. A. Kerkut (physiology and biochemistry). The personal title of Westland professor has been conferred on Dr. J. P. Jones, Westland reader in the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

Appointments

DR. VIKRAM A. SARABHAI, a cosmic ray physicist, has been appointed chairman of the Indian Atomic Energy Commission in succession to Dr. H. J. Bhabha, who was killed in an air crash on Mont Blanc earlier this year. Dr. Sarabhai, who is 47, has been responsible in recent years for organizing Indian participation in international organizations for space research. He was a student at Bangalore and at Cambridge in the years immediately before the Second World War and took a Ph.D. at Cambridge in 1947.

THE National Science Foundation has appointed Dr. Robert Fleischer deputy head of the Office of International Science Activities. Dr. Fleischer joined the foundation in 1962, and has been programme director for solar-terrestrial research and co-ordinator for the participation of the United States in the International Year of the Quiet Sun. Between 1946 and 1962 Dr. Fleischer was professor of astronomy at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, where he worked on solar radio astronomy, interstellar dust and binary stars.

DR. E. A. ALEXANDER has been appointed scientific counsellor at the British Embassy in Moscow, where he will replace Mr. T. Garrett at the end of September. The post of scientific attaché was established in April, 1959; the title has recently been changed, but the purpose remains to advise the ambassador on scientific matters, to report on Soviet civil science and technology and to help visiting scientists and scientific and technological missions. Dr. Alexander, who is an Oxford physical chemist, has been with the Admiralty since 1941.

Announcements

MR. J. E. DENYER has been elected president of the Institution of Mining and Metallurgy for the session 1967-68.

MR. H. N. PEMBERTON has been elected chairman of Council of the Council of Engineering Institutions, in succession to Sir Robert Wynne-Edwards. He will take office in January 1967.

THE Royal Institution of Naval Architects has been elected a constituent member of the Council of Engineering Institutions.

THE National Bureau of Standards has established an Office of Engineering Standards Liaison and Analysis to serve as a focal point for NBS assistance to engineering standards-making bodies throughout the United States. Dr. G. S. Gordon, formerly chief of the Textile and Apparel Technology Center of the NBS Institute for Applied Technology, has been appointed chief.

THE 1966 international Industrial Diamond Conference will be held in Oxford during September 19-22. Further information can be obtained from the Organizing Secretary of the Conference, 2 Charterhouse Street, London, E.C.1.

A SYMPOSIUM on "Pyrolysis—Gas Chromatography" will be held at the Ecole Polytechnique, Paris, during September 15-16. Further information can be obtained from Dr. G. Guiochon, Ecole Polytechnique, 17 rue Descartes, Paris.

THE fourth symposium on "Chromatography and Electrophoresis", organized by the Belgian Society of Pharmaceutical Sciences, will be held in Brussels during September 12-13. Further information can be obtained from the Secretary of the Society, 11 rue Archimède, Brussels 4.

A SYMPOSIUM on "Nucleic Acids and Nucleotides in Higher Plants", arranged by the Phytochemical Group, will be held at Royal Holloway College during September 20-21. Further information can be obtained from A. H. Williams, Research Station, Long Ashton, Bristol.

A CONFERENCE on "Rare-earths", organized by the Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, will be held in the University of Durham during September 5-7. Further information can be obtained from the Meetings Officer, the Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, 47 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1.

THE second international Biophysics Congress, organized by the International Organization for Pure and Applied Biophysics, will be held in Vienna during September 5-9. Further information can be obtained from Mrs. E. Weidenhaus, Wiener Medizinische Akademie, Alserstrasse 4, Vienna IX.

THE first international congress of the International Radiation Protection Association will be held in Rome during September 5-10. Further information can be obtained from the secretary-general of the congress, Dr. C. Polvani, International Radiation Protection Association, Casella Postale 2359, Rome.

A SYMPOSIUM on "Advanced Industrial Measurement and Control" will be held at the Welsh College of Advanced Technology during September 19-23. Further information can be obtained from the Organizer of Short Courses, Welsh College of Advanced Technology, Cathays Park, Cardiff.

AN international technical meeting on "The Biological Basis of Freshwater Fish Production", organized by the International Committee for the PF Section of the International Biological Programme, will be held in the University of Reading during September 1-6. Further information can be obtained from Mr. E. D. Le Cren, The River Laboratory, East Stoke, Wareham, Dorset.

ERRATUM. A note about the retirement of Prof. Eisenschitz from Queen Mary College on June 25 (210, 1314) gave the impression that Prof. Eisenschitz was retiring at the end of the current academic year. In fact, of course, Prof. J. G. Valatin has occupied the chair since September 1965.

CORRIGENDUM. In the article entitled "Memory and Spontaneous Alternation in the Rat" by A. W. Still (*Nature*, 210, 400; 1966), on page 401 in column 2, 'less' should read 'more' on line 8, 'more' should read 'less' on line 10 and 'less' should read 'more' on line 46.