

## Appointments

**Professor Herwig F. Schopper** has been appointed leader of the Nuclear Physics Division at **CERN**.

**Dr Theresa Clay** has been appointed deputy keeper in the Department of Entomology, **British Museum (Natural History)**.

**Mr G. R. Walter de Silva** of Ceylon has been appointed by the **International Atomic Energy Agency** to be regional officer for Asia and the Far East.

**Dr J. R. F. Martineau**, formerly secretary of the Defence Research Board, has been appointed to take charge of the International Relations Office of the **National Research Council of Canada**.

**Dr P. S. Wellington** has been appointed director of the **National Institute of Agricultural Botany** in succession to **Mr F. R. Horne**.

**Dr Elliot S. Pierce** has been appointed director of the Division of Nuclear Education and Training, **US Atomic Energy Commission**, in succession to **Dr Russell S. Poor**.

The **Ministry of Technology** has appointed four new regional directors, following reorganization of its regional offices: **Mr Ian Gray** (director for Wales); **Mr L. Ian Macbeth** (director for the South Western region); **Mr Ronald Wood** (director for the Northern region); **Mr Ernest Atherton** (director for the North Western region).

**Mr Oran W. Nicks** has been appointed acting associate administrator for advanced research and technology of the **National Aeronautics and Space Administration**, in succession to **Mr Bruce T. Lundin**.

**Professor Keith Legg**, Loughborough University of Technology, has been appointed consultant adviser to the Centre for Educational Research and Innovation of the **Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development**.

## Announcements

The **Messel Medal** of the Society of Chemical Industry has been awarded to **Sir Eric Rideal**.

**Dr Jay W. Forrester**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has been awarded the **Valdemar Poulsen Gold Medal of the Danish Academy of Sciences** for his outstanding contribution to the development of the digital computer.

5,000 Swiss francs will be awarded by the **International Health Foundation** for the best paper submitted to the Foundation on any aspect of osteoporosis. Papers, which should not exceed 2,500 words and should contain original ideas, must be submitted before May 1. Further details can be obtained from the International Health Foundation, 14 rue de Hollande, 1204 Geneva, Switzerland.

The trustees of the **Lady Tata Memorial Trust** invite applications for fellowships and scholarships for research on any aspect of malignant disease which is relevant to the problems of leukaemia. Further details can be obtained from the secretary of the (European) Scientific Advisory Committee, Lady Tata Memorial Trust, Chester Beatty Research Institute, Fulham Road, London SW3.

The **Institute of Contemporary Arts** invites contributions to an exhibition of Unlikely Photography, which will consist of three sections: photographs of things that cannot be illustrated; photographic misrepresentations; three-dimensional photography. Further details can be obtained from the Institute of Contemporary Arts, Nash House, 12 Carlton House Terrace, London SW1.

A bequest by the late Mrs K. E. Maltwood has enabled the **Royal Society of Arts** to establish a fund to assist projects of archaeological research in Somerset which are of outstanding national importance. The society now invites applications for grants from the fund for work to be carried out in 1970. Further details can be obtained from J. S. Skidmore, assistant secretary, Royal Society of Arts, John Adam Street, Adelphi, London WC2.

## International Meetings

March 19, **Automation in Production, Sampling and Testing of Silicate Materials**, London (J. M. Rowell, Society of Chemical Industry, 14 Belgrave Square, London SW1).

March 22-25, **American Association of Physical Anthropologists**, Washington, DC (Dr J. L. Angel, Division of Anthropology, Smithsonian Institution, US National Museum, Washington, DC 20560, USA).

## Sabbatical Itinerants

In the hope of providing some practical assistance in the good cause of mobility between laboratories, *Nature* advertises the needs for housing of families about to take up periods of sabbatical leave. To begin with, no charge will be made for advertisements like this. It is hoped that a period of experiment will show what form these advertisements could most usefully take and whether they are effective.

**Wanted:** From July 1970 to April 1971. Apartment or house near University of Copenhagen for chemist, wife and two small children. Please contact Dr N. W. Alcock, School of Molecular Sciences, University of Warwick, Coventry, Warwickshire CV4 7AL.

**Wanted:** 4-bedroom furnished house, preferably centrally heated, convenient to Hammersmith Hospital, for 1 year from July 20, 1970. Can offer similar accommodation in Syracuse, New York. Please contact Professor D. A. Nelson, Department of Clinical Pathology, Upstate Medical Center, Syracuse, New York 13210.

**Wanted:** For 3 months from April 1, 1970, furnished 3-bedroomed house in London. Rent up to £35-£40 per week, or exchange for furnished 3-bedroomed house in beautiful suburb, 5 miles from Rutgers University, 15 miles from Princeton University and 35 miles from New York City. Please contact Dr Bernard Beer, 6 Renfro Road, Somerset, New Jersey 08873.

**Wanted:** 4-bedroom house, preferably centrally heated, in or near Oxford, for 1 year starting September 1, 1970. Please contact Dr W. M. Thurlbeck, 602 Victoria Avenue, Westmount 217, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

**Vacant:** 5-bedroom house in best part of Montreal, 10 minutes from McGill University and Université de Montreal, for 12-14 months starting summer 1970. Please contact Dr W. M. Thurlbeck, 602 Victoria Avenue, Westmount 217, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

**Vacant:** From July 1970 to April 1971, comfortable terrace house, central heating, 3 bedrooms. Learnington Spa, convenient for University of Warwick. Please contact Dr N. W. Alcock, School of Molecular Sciences, University of Warwick, Coventry, Warwickshire CV4 7AL.