

Pp. ii+107. Bangalore : Indian Institute of Science). The subject matter is divided into nine sections ranging from enzymes and plant and animal nutrition to chemistry in relation to pharmacology. Reference is made to more than three hundred papers, and there is a name index. The publication indicates the variety of the researches carried out by chemists in India, and provides a useful means of obtaining summaries of work published in detail in many different journals, including NATURE.

### Third World Power Conference

THE Third World Power Conference and the Second Congress of the International Commission on Large Dams of the World Power Conference are to be held in Washington concurrently on September 7-12. Arrangements are in course of completion for the preparation of a thoroughly authoritative collection of British papers. The British Committee on Large Dams has arranged for the preparation of several papers for presentation at the Second International Congress. The meetings will be both preceded and followed by 'study tours', an essential feature of which will be 'round-table discussions' which will be linked up with the places of technical interest visited. It has been felt that as the questions to be dealt with at the plenary meeting are largely economic and administrative in character, a due balance will be preserved by emphasising the technical character of the study tours and of the round-table discussions between specialists which will be associated with them. There will also be a post-Conference trans-Continental tour of about three weeks' duration, the cost of which will be remarkably low since—thanks to the generosity of the American hosts—a substantial subsidy will be devoted to reduce what would otherwise be the very considerable expenditure involved. Intending participants in the Conference or Congress are requested to apply as soon as possible for full particulars to the office of the British National Committee of the World Power Conference, 36 Kingsway, London, W.C.2.

### Announcements

PROF. A. C. SEWARD has been appointed a member of the Advisory Council to the Committee of the Privy Council for Scientific and Industrial Research.

SIR ROBERT ROBERTSON, who has just retired from the post of Government chemist, and Mr. John Smith, formerly director of animal health in Northern Rhodesia, and since 1933 a member of the Colonial Advisory Council of Agriculture and Animal Health, have been appointed members of the Agricultural Research Council.

At the annual general meeting of the Microchemical Club held at the Imperial College of Science and Technology on March 14, the following officers were elected: *Hon. Secretary*, S. J. Folley; *Hon. Treasurer*, L. H. N. Cooper; *Hon. Librarian*, Isobel H. Hadfield. N. G. Heatley and C. H. Price were elected to the Committee.

UNDER the auspices of the Society of Glass Technology, the second International Congress on Glass will be held in London and Sheffield on July 2-11. Full particulars of arrangements will be issued later; but further information can be obtained from Prof. W. E. S. Turner, The Society of Glass Technology, Darnall Road, Sheffield, 9.

WE have received from the Safety in Mines Research Board a full Subject Index for the first eight volumes of its publications (1927-34) including the title page and table of contents of vol. 9 of that publication, comprising its Twelfth Annual Report together with a full list of papers Nos. 82-88, giving the results of its work in 1934. There is also a page containing instructions for binding, which advises users of the Index to re-number the publications of the Board.

THE Royal Scottish Geographical Society has recently issued an appeal for the proposed Dr. Marion Newbigin Memorial Fund. Dr. Newbigin, who died on July 10, 1934 (see NATURE, 134, 206; 1934), was editor of the *Scottish Geographical Magazine* from 1902 until her death. This, and her textbooks, of which there were more than a dozen, brought wide training and distinction in natural science to the service of geography. The memorial will probably take the form of an annual reward for a prize essay, a memorial medal or a memorial prize. Donations should be forwarded to Sir T. B. Whitson, Royal Geographical Society, Synod Hall, Castle Terrace, Edinburgh, 1.

ERRATUM. In the obituary notice of Prof. J. H. Ashworth which appeared in NATURE of February 22, p. 304, it is stated that he was brought up in Bolton. This is incorrect; he was brought up in Burnley.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the following appointments, on or before the dates mentioned:

A technical assistant in agricultural economics in the University of Leeds—The Registrar (March 30).

Civilian technical assistants (engineering and physical) in the Admiralty Technical Pool—The Secretary of the Admiralty (C.E. Branch), Whitehall, S.W.1 (April 3).

An investigator on the cold-working of metals in the Department of Metallurgy of the University of Sheffield—The Registrar (April 11).

A University demonstrator in geodesy in the University of Cambridge—Dr. F. C. Phillips, Department of Mineralogy and Petrology, The University, Cambridge (April 15).

An assistant director and secretary of the Max Museum, Douglas—The Director (April 18).

An abstractor of scientific and technical literature at the Shirley Institute, Didsbury, Manchester—The Director.

A professor of engineering in the University of Melbourne—The Universities Bureau of the British Empire, 88A Gower Street, W.C.1.