

May 4, 17 and 18. Thus some two thousand children will have had the opportunity of seeing these famous experiments performed in their original setting.

#### Summer School on Computers

A FOUR-WEEK course on digital and analogue computers and their application to electrical engineering problems will be given at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, London, during May 31–June 24. The course is intended to acquaint electrical engineers with the computing facilities that are becoming available, to introduce them to the methods used for the solution of typical engineering problems, and to instruct them in the presentation of problems for computation. It is being given by the Department of Electrical Engineering with the help of the Mathematics Department of the College, members of the staff at the National Physical Laboratory and various firms and organizations engaged in computer manufacture and application. Further information can be obtained from the Deputy Registrar, City and Guilds College, Exhibition Road, London, S.W.7. The number attending the course will be restricted to about twenty.

#### Royal Irish Academy

THE following have been elected members of the Royal Irish Academy: Prof. W. D. Gill, professor of geology and mineralogy, University of Dublin; Rev. F. J. B. Jennings, *O.F.M.*; H. E. Kilbride-Jones, archaeologist; Prof. J. J. McHenry, professor of experimental physics, University College, Cork; E. M. Patterson, geologist, Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd.; Dr. W. F. Pyle, reader in English and fellow of Trinity College, Dublin; Prof. D. E. W. Wormell, professor of Latin and fellow of Trinity College, Dublin.

#### University College of Rhodesia and Nyasaland

APPOINTMENTS to the following chairs have been made in the University College of Rhodesia and Nyasaland: *Agriculture*, Dr. A. G. Davis, reader in agronomy in Wye College, University of London; *Botany*, Prof. A. S. Boughey, formerly professor of botany in the University College of the Gold Coast; *Physics*, Dr. E. Leighton Yates, senior lecturer in physics in the University of Sheffield; and *Education*, Dr. H. J. Rousseau, formerly head of the Department of Education in the University College of Fort Hare, South Africa.

#### Chemical Society: Officers

OFFICERS of the Chemical Society have been elected as follows: *President*, Prof. W. Wardlaw; *Vice-Presidents*, Sir Ian Heilbron, Sir Cyril Hinshelwood, Prof. C. K. Ingold, Dr. W. H. Mills, Sir Eric Rideal, Sir Robert Robinson, Prof. R. D. Haworth, Prof. E. R. H. Jones, Prof. R. P. Linstead, Prof. H. W. Melville, Prof. M. Stacey and Sir Alexander Todd; *Honorary Treasurer*, Mr. M. W. Perrin; *Honorary Secretaries*, Prof. E. D. Hughes, Dr. L. E. Sutton and Prof. F. Bergel; *New Members of Council*, Dr. D. W. Adamson, Dr. G. R. Barker, Prof. F. Bell, Dr. A. Hickling, Dr. A. W. Johnson, Dr. A. Maccoll, Dr. F. H. Pollard, Dr. W. Wild and Dr. G. T. Young.

#### Social Research in Industry: Meeting in York

THE ACTON SOCIETY TRUST and the York Civic Trust are jointly holding a meeting in York during

April 23–27 on social research in industry which will be similar to that held in York in October 1953. Half the participants at the meeting will be from abroad, nine countries in Europe being represented, and they will all be workers in sociology, psychology or anthropology actively engaged in studies of the behaviour of individuals or organizations in industry. The discussions will be both on actual pieces of research carried out and on problems of interest to research workers everywhere, such as achieving co-operation in industry and getting the results of research translated into action.

#### Announcements

H.R.H. THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER will inaugurate the 15-MeV. linear accelerator at Saint Bartholomew's Hospital, London, E.C.1, on April 27. The equipment will be used for radiotherapy and radiobiological research.

WE regret to announce the death of Prof. Albert Einstein, *For. Mem. R.S.*, of the Institute for Advanced Studies, Princeton, aged seventy-six.

THE British Coal Utilization Research Association at Leatherhead will hold open days on June 8–10, during which the work of the laboratories will be available for inspection by visitors; June 8 will be reserved for members of the Association and their friends.

THE seventh of the annual Symposia on Phyto-pharmacy and Phytiatry will be held in the Agro-pharmaceutical Institute, Ghent, during April 26–27, under the presidency of Prof. J. Van den Brande, rector of the Institute. Further information can be obtained from the Secretary of the Symposium at the Rijks-landbouwhogeschool, Coupure 233, Gent.

THE third assembly of the Israel Medical Association will be held in Israel during August 10–20, with sessions in Jerusalem, Haifa and Tel Aviv. An organized tour from Britain arranged in connexion with the meeting leaves London on August 8. Details, including the preliminary scientific programme, can be obtained from D. F. Long and Co., Travel House, Mornington Crescent, London, N.W.1.

THE Yorkshire Group of the Library Association has prepared a list of translators in Yorkshire (East and West Ridings), containing details of sixty-two translators arranged in alphabetical order, with language, place and subject indexes. The list is not comprehensive, as some translators were not prepared to take on additional work. Details of qualifications and experience, etc., have been supplied by the translators themselves. The list can be obtained from the Group Honorary Treasurer, at the Commercial Library, Bradford 1, price 2s. 6d.

A CONFERENCE on Airglow and Auroræ is to be held at The Queen's University, Belfast, on September 6 and 7, that is, immediately after the Dublin assembly of the International Astronomical Union. Prof. S. Chapman will preside. Less time than is customary will be devoted to the reading of papers, the primary purpose of the Conference being to provide observers and theoretical workers who are actively engaged in the field with an opportunity of meeting and exchanging views on problems of common interest. Those wishing to have an invitation to attend should communicate with Prof. D. R. Bates or Dr. A. Dalgarno, Department of Applied Mathematics, The Queen's University, Belfast.