

son, professor and head of the Department of Medicine, University of Toronto; and Dr. David L. Thomson, vice-principal of McGill University, Montreal.

#### Oversea Service Division, Colonial Office

THE following appointments have recently been made in the Oversea Service Division, Colonial Office: J. Cook (chief field officer, Federation of Malaya), director of agriculture, Sarawak; V. E. Gale (senior agricultural officer, Western Region, Nigeria), principal agricultural officer, Western Region, Nigeria; J. R. G. Hadland (principal cocoa officer, Western Region, Nigeria), assistant director (cocoa), Western Region, Nigeria; J. O. Torto (food production commissioner, Gold Coast), deputy director of agriculture, Gold Coast; H. Vine (senior specialist officer, Federation of Nigeria), principal research officer (soils), Western Region, Nigeria; D. F. Davidson (senior assistant conservator of forests, Cyprus), conservator of forests, Cyprus; J. A. D. Jackson (assistant conservator of forests, Northern Region, Nigeria), senior assistant conservator of forests, Northern Region, Nigeria; J. C. K. Mashall and F. S. Walker (conservators of forests, grade B, Federation of Malaya), conservators of forests, grade A, Federation of Malaya; H. G. Burks (metallurgist, Tanganyika), chief research officer, Geological Survey, Tanganyika; A. R. Melville (senior research officer, Kenya), chief research officer, Agricultural Department, Kenya; J. M. Waterston (research adviser, Federation of Nigeria), director of agricultural research, Federation of Nigeria; M. J. Fitzpatrick (veterinary investigation officer, Northern Region, Nigeria), principal veterinary officer (research), Northern Region, Nigeria; R. D. Fotheringham (livestock officer, Northern Rhodesia), dairy and poultry officer, Northern Rhodesia; E. P. Rice (assistant director of veterinary services, Kenya), deputy director of veterinary services, Kenya; A. Angus, plant pathologist, Northern Rhodesia; M. Bigger, entomologist, Tanganyika; R. A. Fitton, agricultural officer, Gold Coast; W. A. Hope, specialist assistant, Northern Region, Nigeria; S. B. Boaler, assistant conservator of forests, Somaliland Protectorate; G. H. Brister, assistant conservator of forests, Kenya; S. H. Inchbold-Stevens, assistant conservator of forests, Trinidad; U. L. S. Murthy, assistant conservator of forests, Sarawak; E. J. G. Swellengrebel and A. T. Vink, assistant conservators of forests, British Guiana; W. W. Bishop, pleistocene geologist, Uganda; R. Bradshaw, specialist adviser (petrologist/geologist), British Guiana; J. Brazell, director, East African Meteorological Department, East Africa High Commission; J. F. McCloy, senior scientific officer, East African Industrial Research Organization; F. B. Halpin, veterinary officer, Northern Region, Nigeria.

#### Announcements

PROF. D. KEILIN, lately Quick professor of biology and director of the Molteno Institute, University of Cambridge, has received the degree of doctor of medicine *honoris causa* of the State University of Utrecht, on the occasion of the 320th anniversary celebrations of the University.

DR. R. N. BRACEWELL, formerly of the Division of Radiophysics, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, Australia, has joined the Radio Propagation Laboratory of Stanford Univer-

sity, California, as associate professor of electrical engineering; with support from the United States Air Force Office of Scientific Research, he is planning to obtain daily spectroheliograms at 9 cm. wave-length using a Mills cross-aerial with a cone of reception of  $10^{-6}$  stereradians.

THE fourth meeting of the General Fisheries Council for the Mediterranean will be held in Istanbul, during September 17-22. The member countries of the Council are Egypt, France, Great Britain, Greece, Israel, Italy, Monaco, Spain, Tunisia, Turkey and Yugoslavia, but other countries and international organizations can send observers. Those who wish to submit papers should write before May 15 to the Secretary, General Fisheries Council of the Mediterranean, Food and Agriculture Organization, Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, Rome.

THE Institute of Physics, in conjunction with the British Nuclear Energy Conference, has arranged a conference on "The Physics of Nuclear Reactors", to be held in London during July 3-6. The proceedings of the conference will be published as a supplement to the *British Journal of Applied Physics*. An allotment of places (without payment of conference fee) has been made to members of the other constituent bodies of the British Nuclear Energy Conference, namely, the Institutions of Civil, Mechanical, Electrical and Chemical Engineers. Application forms for the conference and further information can be obtained from the Secretary, Institute of Physics, 47 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1.

As part of the summer programme of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, arranged by Prof. Ernest H. Huntress, director of the Institute's Summer Session, a number of short courses will be held by the various Departments as follows: June 18-29, modern food technology; June 25-July 6, aerodynamic heating of aircraft structures in high-speed flight; August 6-17, orbital and satellite vehicles in space flight; August 13-17, analogue-digital conversion techniques; August 20-31, tropical hurricanes; August 20-31, modern communication theory; August 20-31, molecular engineering. Application forms for these courses and further information can be obtained from the Summer Session Office, Room 7-103, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge 39, Mass.

THE French National School for Geographical Sciences will hold a course during June 4-July 13 on the theory and practice of aerial photogrammetry. The course, like those of previous years, is designed for non-French students wanting to familiarize themselves with instruments and methods currently used in France. Lectures will be delivered in French, with explanations in English and Spanish for those not fluent in the French language. The fee for the course is 20,000 francs. Application should be made by May 15 to the Director, École National des Sciences Géographiques, 2 Avenue Pasteur, Saint-Mandé (Seine), from whom further information can be obtained.

THE proceedings of a symposium on cell secretion which took place in March 1955 at the Institute of Biology of the University of Minas Gerais, S. Paulo, have now been published. The volume has been edited by G. Schreiber, and inquiries for it should be sent to him at the Instituto de Biologia, Faculdade de Filosofia, Universidade de Minas Gerais, Belo Horizonte, Brazil.