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#### University News :

#### Glasgow

PROF. J. MONTEATH ROBERTSON has been granted leave of absence to enable him to hold a visiting professorship in the College of Chemistry at the University of California, Berkeley. He will give a short course of lectures on the chemical significance of recent developments in crystal analysis, and will be away for about one month from the middle of March. Leave of absence has also been granted to Dr. E. Gelles for six months, during which time he will hold a research fellowship at Brandeis University, Waltham, Massachusetts. Dr. G. A. Sim has been appointed to a lectureship in chemistry, and Dr. W. M. Fairbairn has resigned his lectureship in mathematics in order to take up a lectureship at the Manchester College of Science and Technology.

#### London

DR. H. G. EGGLESTON, lecturer in the University of Cambridge, has been appointed to the University chair of mathematics tenable at Bedford College. Dr. Mary Barber has been appointed to the University readership in clinical bacteriology tenable at the Postgraduate Medical School of London and the title of reader in mathematics in the University of London has been conferred on Dr. M. A. Jaswon, in respect of his post at the Imperial College of Science and Technology.

#### Announcements

DR. H. R. C. PRATT has recently taken up an appointment as leader of the chemical engineering section in the Division of Industrial Chemistry, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization. Dr. Pratt was formerly chief scientific officer at the U.K. Atomic Energy Research Establishment at Harwell and was senior group leader of the Chemical Engineering Division.

THE Trustees will consider in June applications for a Ramsay Memorial Fellowship for advanced students of chemistry. The value of the Fellowship will be £600 per annum, to which may be added a grant for

expenses of research not exceeding £100 per annum. The Fellowship will normally be tenable for two years. Further information can be obtained from the Joint Honorary Secretaries, Ramsay Memorial Fellowships Trust, University College, Gower Street, London, W.C.1. Completed applications must be received not later than April 18.

A SYMPOSIUM on "The Design of Teaching Laboratories in Universities and Colleges of Advanced Technology" will be held at the Royal Institute of British Architects on March 14. The chairman will be Sir Keith Murray. Further information can be obtained from the Secretary, Royal Institute of British Architects, 66 Portland Place, London, W.1.

AN informal discussion on "The Practice of Light Scattering" will be held in the Chemistry Lecture Theatre, Chemistry Department, University of Birmingham, on April 25. The discussion is intended to be entirely informal and to consider the experimental techniques employed in applying the light-scattering method to the study of solutions of both synthetic and biological macromolecules. Further information can be obtained from Dr. F. W. Peaker, Chemistry Department, The University, Birmingham 15.

AN international congress on nuclear physics will be held in Paris, during July 7-12, under the patronage of the International Union of Pure and Applied Physics and of Unesco. The title of the congress is "Low Energy Nuclear Interactions and Nuclear Structure". Its purpose is to gather theoretical and experimental information in the energy range lower than the threshold for meson creation. Further information can be obtained from the Congrès International de Physique Nucléaire, Institut du Radium, rue Pierre Curie, Paris, 5<sup>ème</sup>.

THE Linnean Society of London is to hold a symposium on the biological uses of the electron microscope on March 23, with a possible extension to the morning of March 29. The object of the meeting is to enable biological workers (including those engaged in the cognate medical sciences) who are not themselves experts in the use of the electron microscope to learn something of the biological applications of that powerful research tool. Biologists who are not members of the Society should inform the General Secretary, Linnean Society, Burlington House, London, W.1, before February 28 if they desire to attend.

THE Federation of British Industries is to hold a Conference on Nuclear Energy under the chairmanship of Sir Claude Gibb (managing director, C. A. Parsons and Co., Ltd.) at the Grand Hotel, Eastbourne, during April 10-12. The Conference, which aims at conveying an understanding of the industrial potentials and applications of nuclear power to directors of firms in fringe industries, will include a visit to the Atomic Energy Research Establishment at Harwell. Further details can be obtained from the conference secretary, Mr. P. J. C. Perry, Federation of British Industries, 21 Tothill Street, London, S.W.1.

ERRATUM. In the communication entitled "Action of Ethylene Dibromide on Hen Gonadotrophic Hormones" by Dr. Eugenia Olomucki, published in *Nature* (180, 1358; 1957), the daily amount of follicle-stimulating hormone injected into hens was 1.4 mgm. (and not 14 mgm., as printed).