

report gives data on the time between pollination, fertilization and other interesting facts. It is illustrated with good photographs.

Carlsberg-Wellcome Travelling Research Fellowships, 1958-59

THE directors of the Carlsberg Foundation, in Copenhagen, and the Wellcome Trustees, in London, instituted in 1957 a system of Carlsberg-Wellcome Travelling Research Fellowships, with the object of encouraging friendly co-operation, on an exchange basis, between Danish and British research workers in any branch of the natural sciences which has a bearing upon human and animal medicine. One Fellowship annually is awarded to a candidate from the United Kingdom for a year's work in Denmark and one annually to a Danish candidate for a year's work in the United Kingdom. The stipend may range from £800 to £1,200 per annum (or the equivalent sums in Danish kroner) for whole-time research. Travelling and some incidental expenses are provided in addition. It is intended to make the second two appointments in respect of the academic year beginning September 1958. Inquiries from candidates in the United Kingdom should be addressed to the Scientific Secretary of the Wellcome Trust, 52 Queen Anne Street, London, W.1, from whom further particulars can be obtained. There is no form of application, but candidates should submit a full *curriculum vitae*, together with details of their research proposals and a supporting letter from a senior scientist who is familiar with their work. Completed applications must be submitted before April 30.

Physical Society Handbook of Scientific Instruments and Apparatus

THE annual exhibition of scientific instruments and apparatus of the Physical Society, to be held in the Halls of the Royal Horticultural Society, London, during March 24-27 (see *Nature* of March 8, p. 673) is an established feature of the scientific year in London. The "Handbook of Scientific Instruments and Apparatus, 1958 Exhibition", published in connexion with the exhibition (pp. xvi+284+pp. 84 advertisements. London: The Physical Society, 1958. 6s. net), is not only a detailed catalogue of, and guide to, the exhibits, but also a valuable work of reference on recent developments in the design of physical apparatus, providing, moreover, convenient lists of British manufacturers, and of recent scientific and technical books. The "Handbook" is arranged in numerical order of stands at the exhibition and includes a brief description of every item. There are comprehensive indexes both of exhibitors and of all subjects exhibited, and the large section devoted to advertising is in itself a valuable collection of useful information.

Physics in Schools

A JOINT Easter conference of the Education Group and the South Western Branch of the Institute of Physics on "Physics in Schools" is to be held in the H. H. Wills Physics Laboratory of the University of Bristol during April 9-11. The conference will be opened by Sir Philip Morris and addressed by: Mr. A. D. C. Peterson (director of education, City of Oxford) on general education and physics in the sixth form; Mr. D. W. Scott (University of Bristol) on teaching physics in middle and upper forms of grammar schools; Mrs. C. E. Arregger (Hilger and

Watts, Ltd.) on the problem of recruiting women as physicists; Mr. W. Llowarch (Institute of Education, London) on the role of practical work in the education of a physicist; Prof. C. H. Dobinson (Reading) on the General Certificate of Education examinations at Ordinary and Advanced levels for future physicists; Prof. G. K. T. Conn (Exeter) on the transition from school to university; and by Dr. J. Topping (principal of Brunel College of Technology, London) on the education of physicists in technical colleges. The conference is open to all who are interested, and accommodation will be available in Wills Hall. Further details and forms of application to attend can be obtained from the Institute of Physics, 47 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1.

Announcements

THE annual Conference of Science for Peace will be held on March 22 at the Mahatma Gandhi Hall, Fitzroy Square, London, at 2 p.m. Speakers will include Prof. S. C. Harland, Dr. R. L. M. Synge and Dr. E. H. S. Burhop.

SIR HANS KREBS, Whitley professor of biochemistry in the University of Oxford, has been awarded the Gold Medal of the Association for the Advancement of Natural, Medical and Surgical Sciences, Amsterdam, for outstanding scientific achievement. This Medal was instituted in 1840, and the first awards in 1865 were to medical men; later recipients have included Lorentz, van der Waals, Kamerlingh Onnes, Einstein and Sir Henry Dale.

THE Mechanical Engineering Research Laboratory of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, East Kilbride, Glasgow, is to hold open days on June 4 and 5. Applications for invitations on either day from representatives of any organization with engineering interests should be sent to the Director.

THE Cornell Summer Laboratory Course in Techniques and Applications of the Electron Microscope for senior workers in the biological and medical sciences is to be given during June 16-July 3 and is being supported by a grant from the National Science Foundation. The course, which is primarily for scientists using the electron microscope in their research work, is under the direction of Prof. B. M. Siegel, to whom all inquiries should be addressed at Rockefeller Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.

THE scope of the annual Conference on Conservation of Nature in south-east England, which is to be held in the Zoological Society, Regent's Park, London, N.W.1, on April 12, has been extended to include all societies in south-eastern England whether they are members of the South-Eastern Union of Scientific Societies or not. The chair will be taken by the Earl of Cranbrook, and the following addresses will be given: "The Invertebrate Fauna of Chalk Country and its Conservation", by John Sankey; "The Vertebrates of Frensham Ponds and Romney Marsh", by Maxwell Knight; "Possible Nature Reserves in Kent, Sussex and Surrey from a Botanical Ecologist's Viewpoint", by Dr. Francis Rose; and "Conservation in Hertfordshire", by Dr. J. T. Dony. A symposium on the contribution of naturalists' trusts to Nature conservation will also be held. Further details can be obtained from the secretary of the South-Eastern Union of Scientific Societies, Mr. F. Edwards, 53 The Drive, Shoreham-by-Sea, Sussex.