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Palaeoliths at Leopoldville

H. VAN MOORSEL, keeper of the prehistoric and geological collections at the Lovanium University at Leopoldville, has published an article in the Faculty of Sciences on the palaeolithic finds in the neighbourhood of the city. There is a vast stony plain in the vicinity which seemingly is very ancient, as it does not appear to have any connexion with the existing river terrace systems. Archaeological finds have been few in number, but the author claims to have recognized Sangoan and Middle Stone Age tools. It is difficult to judge from reproductions of photographs and possibly some of the suggested tools figured are really naturally fractured, but there is no reason to think that these cultures were not represented. The article was read as a paper at the fifth Congress of Prehistoric and Protohistoric Sciences at Hamburg in 1958.

Central Electricity Generating Board Research Fellowship

THE Central Electricity Generating Board is offering a research fellowship, tenable at St. Catherine's College, University of Oxford, in the physical sciences, including metallurgy, engineering or mathematics. The fellowship, tenable for three years, will take effect from October and will be valued at £1,000 per annum. It is open to persons of British nationality, who by the date of his or her appointment have taken the degree of doctor of philosophy or gained the equivalent experience in research. Applications should reach the Master elect, St. Catherine's College Planning Office, 42 Banbury Road, Oxford, not later than March 31.

Refresher Course on Science in Schools

THE Department of Extra-Mural Studies and Education of the University of Durham, King's College, Newcastle, is organizing, in conjunction with the North-Eastern Association of the British Federation of University Women, a refresher course on Science in Schools. The course is intended primarily for women with scientific training who, having had to interrupt their careers, now wish to take up or return to teaching in schools. The course will take place at the University during March 23-30. Further information can be obtained from Miss C. Cruse, 292 Ovington Grove, Newcastle upon Tyne, 5.

University News : Belfast

THE following appointments are announced: Dr. D. J. Carr (Melbourne), to the chair of botany; Dr. R. A. Henstock, to be senior lecturer in pure mathematics; and Dr. A. L. Stewart, to be lecturer in applied mathematics.

Monash

THE following first appointments of staff at Monash University, the newly established University in Victoria, Australia, are announced: professor of biology, Dr. A. J. Marshall, reader in zoology and comparative anatomy at St. Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College, London; and professor of chemistry, Dr. R. D. Brown, senior lecturer in general chemistry, University of Melbourne.

Announcements

SIR PATRICK LINSTEAD, rector of the Imperial College of Science and Technology, University of

London, has been appointed chairman of the Science Advisory Committee of the British Council and a member of the Executive Committee of the Council in succession to the late Sir Alfred Egerton.

SIR HAROLD ROXBEE COX, vice-chairman of the National Council for Technological Awards, has been appointed chairman in succession to Lord Hives, who has retired. Sir Harold Roxbee Cox, formerly chief scientist, Ministry of Fuel and Power, is deputy chairman and chairman-elect of the Metal Box Co., Ltd., and a director of Wilmot Breedon (Holdings), Ltd., and of Boulton Paul Aircraft, Ltd.; he is a member of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research.

THE Scottish Branch of Aslib is organizing its annual general business meeting and a one-day conference to be held on February 5 in the Scottish Central Library, Lawnmarket, Edinburgh. Further information can be obtained from Miss N. I. Shinie, T. and H. Smith, Ltd., Edinburgh 11.

THE twelfth international symposium on Crop Protection is to be held at the Agricultural College of the University of Ghent on April 26. The symposium will coincide with the twenty-fourth five-yearly international Floralia of Ghent. Further details can be obtained from Prof. J. van den Brande, State Agricultural College, Ghent, Belgium.

THE joint annual meetings of the Chemical Society and the Royal Institute of Chemistry will be held in Belfast during April 5-8 at the David Keir Building of Queen's University, Belfast. Further details can be obtained from the Joint Annual Meetings Officer, Royal Institute of Chemistry, 30 Russell Square, London, W.C.1.

THE spring meeting of the Clay Minerals Group of the Mineralogical Society will be held during April 12-13 in the Department of Chemistry at the University of Aberdeen. The topic for discussion will be "Clay Minerals in Sediments". Further details can be obtained from Dr. R. M. S. Perrin, School of Agriculture, University of Cambridge.

THREE courses of six lectures each will be given at the Borough Polytechnic, Borough Road, London, S.E.1, on the following topics: Variety Reduction in Engineering (commencing on February 17); Lubrication and Lubricants (commencing on February 22); Foundry Sands (commencing on February 9). Further information can be obtained from the Secretary of the Polytechnic.

THE Association of Oil and Colour Chemists has announced that the twelfth Technical Exhibition will be held at the Royal Horticultural Society's New Hall, Greycoat and Elverton Streets, London, S.W.1, during March 15-17. Further details can be obtained from the secretary, Mr. R. H. Hamblin, Association of Oil and Colour Chemists, Wax Chancellors' Hall, Gresham Hall, London, E.C.2.

PROF. A. MASEVICH, vice-president of the Astronomical Council, U.S.S.R. Academy of Sciences, Moscow, is to give a number of lectures throughout Great Britain on "Conquest of Space". These lectures are being organized by the Society for Cultural Relations with the U.S.S.R. at the Royal Festival Hall, London, February 6; Birmingham Town Hall, February 8; Colston Hall, Bristol, February 9; and the Free Trade Hall, Manchester, February 12. Tickets are available from the agents of the various halls.