

acting secretary is Dr. A. Nightingale, Physics Laboratory, St. Thomas's Hospital, S.E.1.

Lady Tata Memorial Trust

THE Trustees of the Lady Tata Memorial Trust, on the recommendation of the (European) Scientific Advisory Committee, have made the following awards for research on leukaemia and allied diseases in the academic year beginning October 1: *Grants for research expenses*, Dr. B. M. Braganca (Indian Cancer Research Centre, Bombay); Dr. J. Pontén (Pathology Institute, Uppsala); Dr. M. Simonsen (Institute of Pathological Anatomy, Copenhagen); Dr. H. J. Woodliff (New Pathological Laboratory, Radcliffe Infirmary, Oxford). *Scholarships*, Dr. L. Chieco-Bianchi (Institute of Pathological Anatomy, Bari); Dr. J. Hastrup (Institute of General Pathology, Aarhus).

University News:

London

THE following appointments have been announced: Dr. H. Harris, reader in biochemical genetics at the London Hospital Medical College, to the University chair of biochemistry tenable at King's College; Mr. A. F. Huxley, reader in experimental biophysics in the University of Cambridge, to the Jodrell chair of physiology tenable at University College.

Yale

THE following changes in staff of the Department of Botany in Yale University have been announced: Prof. Paul B. Sears (conservation and ecology) will retire as from July 1, 1960. Prof. Oswald Tippo (anatomy) will leave his post as chairman of the Department to assume duties as provost of the University of Colorado at Boulder as from July 1, 1960. Assistant Prof. Theodore Delevoryas (palaeobotany) will leave to accept a post as associate professor in the Department of Botany in the University of Illinois. Assistant Prof. Kenton L. Chambers (cytotaxonomy) will leave to accept a post as associate professor and curator of the Herbarium in Oregon State College. Prof. Arthur W. Galston (plant physiology) has been appointed chairman of the Department as from July 1, 1960. During the academic year 1960-61, when Prof. Galston will be on sabbatical leave at the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, Canberra, Australia, Prof. Norman H. Giles (cytogenetics) will serve as acting chairman. Dr. Ian M. Sussex (plant morphogenesis), of the Department of Biology, University of Pittsburgh, has been appointed associate professor. He will assume his post on July 1, 1960, and will teach courses in anatomy and developmental morphology. Dr. Diter H. von Wettstein, of the Forest Genetics Institute in Stockholm, has been appointed associate professor as from July 1, 1961. Dr. von Wettstein will set up an electron microscopy laboratory in the Department, and will give courses in electron microscopy and in sub-cellular morphology. Dr. William S. Hillman (plant physiology) has been appointed assistant professor. He will aid in the teaching of advanced plant physiology and in the supervision of graduate students. Dr. John H. Miller (developmental morphology) has been appointed instructor. His primary duties will be to take the elementary biology course. Dr. Derald G. Langham (genetics), formerly head of the Departments of Genetics in Caracas and Maracay, Venezuela, has been appointed lecturer. He will give a course in economic botany.

Announcements

THE following were elected officers of the Royal Statistical Society on June 15: *President*, Prof. M. G. Kendall; *Honorary Secretaries*, Mr. B. Benjamin, Dr. P. Armitage and Mr. B. P. Emmett; *Honorary Treasurer*, Mr. C. T. Saunders.

THE Royal Aeronautical Society Man Powered Aircraft Group has announced that it will make financial contributions to one or more persons or organizations who submit promising projects designed to further the achievement of man-powered flight. Submissions must reach the Royal Aeronautical Society not later than October 31. Further information can be obtained from the Chairman of the Man Powered Aircraft Group Committee, Royal Aeronautical Society, 4 Hamilton Place, London, W.1.

THE Committee on the Problem of Noise, of which Mr. A. H. Wilson is chairman, which was appointed by the Minister for Science "to examine the nature, sources and effects of the problem of noise and to advise what further measures can be taken to mitigate it", is now ready to receive evidence from persons and organizations with special interest or experience in matters relevant to the problem of noise. Anyone wishing to give evidence should first write to the secretary of the Committee, Mr. R. S. Matthews, Ministry of Health, Savile Row, London, W.1.

IN an admirable Library Association Pamphlet (No. 20: The Reproduction of Catalogue Cards. By Philip S. Pargeter. Pp. 48. London: Library Association, 1960. 8s. 8d.; L.A. Members, 6s. 6d.), Mr. P. S. Pargeter provides a comprehensive illustrated survey of the various means used for this purpose, including wax-stencil duplicators, spirit duplicators, offset lithography, metal plate, stencil and spirit addressing machines, microphotography, xerography, reflex copying, dyeline processing and automatic typewriter. The advantages and disadvantages of each method are recognized and there is a list of the principal periodical articles consulted.

A COURSE in practical field techniques in physical and cultural geography is to be held in south Devon during August 17-31 under the auspices of the Geographical Association. Further information can be obtained from the Assistant Secretary of the Association, Park Branch Library, Duke Street, Sheffield 2.

AN international congress on "Biophysics" will be held in Stockholm during July 31-August 4, 1961. The meeting will be divided between a series of symposia devoted to special topics in biophysics and to presentations of a number of contributed papers in pure and applied biophysics submitted by the participants. Further information can be obtained from Dr. Bo Lindström at the Department of Medical Physics, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm 60, Sweden.

THE fifth general assembly of the International Union of Crystallography will be held in Cambridge during August 15-20 at the joint invitation of the University of Cambridge and the Royal Society. These meetings will be followed by symposia during August 22-24, namely, "Thermal Motion in Crystals and Molecules", and "Lattice Defects and the Mechanical Properties of Solids". Further information can be obtained from Dr. W. H. Taylor, Crystallographic Laboratory, Cavendish Laboratory, Cambridge.