

Lectureships, R. F. Thow (agriculture); Dr. L. M. Muggleton (electrical engineering); Benjamin Mitchell (veterinary surgery).

Leeds

NEW courses, leading to honours and ordinary B.Sc. degrees in food science, have been introduced, and the first students for them will enter the University in October 1962. The honours course extends over four years, and includes chemistry, physics, biology, statistics, bacteriology and biochemistry, taken in the appropriate pure science department in the first year. This is followed by courses in the chemistry, physics and microbiology of foodstuffs and food processing. The ordinary degree course is restricted to three years. Entry requirements include a high standard in chemistry and physics, with mathematics as the preferred third subject. The Procter Department of Food and Leather Science, under the Procter professor, A. G. Ward, has grown from the former Department of Leather Industries and will receive extended premises and additional staff for the new course. Postgraduate students will be able to take the postgraduate diploma in food science, involving study and research, or carry out research for the M.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees.

London

MR. S. B. WATKINS, head of the Department of Chemical Engineering at King's College, has been appointed to the University readership in chemical engineering tenable at that College. The title of reader in pure mathematics has been conferred on Dr. K. W. Gruenberg in respect of his post at Queen Mary College.

The title of professor emeritus has been conferred on the following: Prof. R. O. Buchanan, professor of geography in the London School of Economics and Political Science since 1949; Prof. L. P. Garrod, professor of bacteriology in St. Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College since 1937; Sir Austin Bradford Hill, professor of medical statistics at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine since 1945, and honorary director of the Medical Research Council's Statistical Research Unit; Sir Christopher Ingold, professor of chemistry in University College since 1930; Prof. W. H. Linnell, professor of pharmaceutical chemistry in the School of Pharmacy since 1944, and dean of the School; Prof. C. A. Mace, professor of psychology in Birkbeck College since 1944; Prof. D. M. Newitt, Courtauld professor of chemical engineering in the Imperial College of Science and Technology since 1945; Prof. F. R. Winton, professor of pharmacology in University College since 1938.

Announcements

THE Earl of Halsbury, during 1949-59 managing director of the National Research Development Corporation, has been elected president of the Machine Tool Industry Research Association.

DR. F. A. ROBINSON, at present director of research of Allen and Hanburys, Ltd., has been appointed chairman of the board of directors of the Crookes Laboratories in succession to Mr. N. B. Smiley, of Arthur Guinness, Son and Co., which acquired the Crookes Laboratories jointly with Philips Electrical Industries last November. Dr. Robinson is honorary treasurer of the Biochemical Society and the author of books on chromatography, antibiotics and the vitamin B complex.

COLONEL J. F. WILLIAMS-WYNNE has been appointed a member of the National Parks Commission. Colonel Williams-Wynne is a part-time member of the Merseyside and North Wales Electricity Board and a member of the Regional Advisory Committee of the North Wales Conservancy of the Forestry Commission and the Gwynedd River Board.

LORD SHAWCROSS has been appointed a member of the Medical Research Council. He will serve as chairman of the Council in succession to Viscount Amory, who is resigning on his appointment as United Kingdom High Commissioner in Canada.

MR. A. W. JONES (Fleming Radio (Developments), Ltd.) has been installed as president of the Scientific Instrument Manufacturers' Association of Great Britain for the year 1961-62 by Mr. G. C. Ottway (W. Ottway and Co., Ltd.), the retiring president, who now becomes a vice-president. The following honorary officers have been elected: *Vice-President and President-elect*, Mr. R. E. Burnett (Marconi Instruments, Ltd.); *Vice-President*, Mr. G. C. Ottway (W. Ottway and Co., Ltd.); *Secretary*, Major W. Logan (Avo, Ltd.); *Treasurer*, Mr. G. S. Sturrock (Kelvin and Hughes, Ltd.).

To celebrate the third centenary of the birth of Antonio Vallisneri, a past-president of the "Accademia Patavina di Scienze Lettere ed Arti", the University of Padua is organizing, during September 29-October 1, a symposium on "The experimental method in biology from the time of Antonio Vallisneri to the present". Further details can be obtained from the Organizing Committee, University, Via 8 Febbraio, Padova.

THE Electronics Group of the Institute of Physics and the Physical Society announces that it is arranging a conference on "The Physics of Gas Discharge Devices", to be held at Leamington Spa during September 28-29. Further information can be obtained from the Administration Assistant, Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, 47 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1.

NEW Laboratories for the Division of Food Preservation, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, will be opened at North Ryde, New South Wales, on September 18. A Food Science Conference will follow, during September 19-22. Further information can be obtained from the Chief, Division of Food Preservation, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, P.O. Box 43, Ryde, N.S.W.

THE Autumn Meeting of the Institute of Metals will be held in Brussels during September 18-22. The programme includes the Autumn Lecture, to be delivered by Baron Snoy et d'Oppuers on September 18 (who will speak on "The Non-Ferrous Metals Industry in a Unified Europe"), and sessions on deformation and fracture, on surface friction and lubrication in metal working and on corrosion. Further information can be obtained from the Institute of Metals, 17 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1.

ERRATUM. In the issue of July 29, p. 439, the date of birth of Sir Frederick Gowland Hopkins was given as June 30, 1861; this should read June 20, 1861.