

Expenses Grants, Dr. R. L. Blakley, John Curtin School of Medical Research, Canberra; Dr. S. Itzhaki, Department of Radiotherapeutics, University of Cambridge; Dr. J. H. Hale, Public Health Laboratory, General Hospital, Newcastle upon Tyne; Dr. K. M. Laurence, Department of Paediatric Pathology, Welsh National School of Medicine, Penarth; Dr. B. Pedersen, University Institute of Genetics, Copenhagen; Dr. B. Lagerlöf, Department of Pathology, Karolinska Sjukhuset, Stockholm 60.

The Netherlands Society for the History of Medicine and Science

ON the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary meeting of the Netherlands Society for the History of Medicine and Science ("Genootschap voor de Geschiedenis der Geneeskunde, Wiskunde en Natuurwetenschappen"), which was held at Gorinchem during June 8-9, medals were awarded to Dr. E. D. Baumann (for his writings on the history of medicine), to Dr. Maria Rooseboom (for her work as a long-time council member of the Society and her merits in developing the National Museum for the History of Science at Leyden) and to Prof. F. Verdoorn (for the establishment and development of the new Biohistorical Institute of the University of Utrecht, in which the former *Chronica Botanica Library and Archives* have been incorporated).

The Royal Statistical Society

AT the annual general meeting of the Royal Statistical Society on June 19, Dr. J. O. Irwin was re-elected president for the ensuing year. Prof. P. Armitage, Mr. B. P. Emmett and Miss S. V. Cunliffe were re-elected honorary secretaries and Mr. C. T. Saunders was re-elected honorary treasurer. Sir Harold Jeffreys was awarded the Society's Guy Medal in gold and Dr. P. V. Sukhatme the Society's Guy Medal in silver.

The Iron and Steel Institute

THE following changes are announced in the Council of the Iron and Steel Institute: *Honorary Vice-Presidents*, Dr. L. B. Pfeil (vice-chairman, International Nickel Co. (Mond), Ltd.) and Sir Richard Summers (chairman, John Summers and Sons, Ltd.); *Vice-President*, T. R. Craig (managing director (sales), Colvilles, Ltd.); *Members of Council*, Prof. J. Nutting (professor of metallurgy, University of Leeds), F. J. Somers (chairman, Walter Somers, Ltd.), and R. P. Towndrow (managing director (works), Colvilles, Ltd.); *Chairman, Engineering Committee and Honorary Member of Council*, J. A. Kilby (director and chief engineer, Colvilles, Ltd.); *Additional Honorary Members of Council*, E. Davies (managing director, Brymbo Steel Works, and director, Guest, Keen and Nettlefolds Steel Co., Ltd.), and T. R. Middleton (director of research, English Steel Corporation, Ltd.).

Scientific Esperanto Meetings

MEETINGS of the following scientific societies are scheduled to be held in the course of the Forty-eighth International Esperanto Congress, this year to be held in Sofia, Bulgaria, during August 3-10: "Universala Medicina Esperanto-Asocio" (corresponding secretary, D-rino M. Jarnuszkiewicz, Mazowiecka 69, Kraków 2, Poland); "Internacia Geografra Asocio" (corresponding secretary, D-ro J. M. Mabesoone, Pythagorasstr. 122, Amsterdam, Netherlands); "Internacia Scienca Asocio Esperantista" (corresponding secretary, Prof. B. Popović, Zagrebačka 24, Sarajevo, Yugoslavia). Further information can also be obtained from Prof. R. A. Lewin, University of California, La Jolla, California.

Announcements

DR. F. J. MALINA, American astronautical pioneer, has been appointed to succeed the late Dr. Théodore von Kármán as director of the International Academy of

Astronautics until the bi-annual meeting of the Academy in Paris during September.

PROF. H. J. B. ATKINS, professor of surgery in the University of London at Guy's Hospital Medical School, and Prof. W. D. M. Paton, professor of pharmacology in the University of Oxford, have been appointed members, and Sir Hugh Linstead reappointed a member, of the Medical Research Council as from October 1.

MR. CAMERON SMALL, managing director of Carrs Biscuit Co., Ltd., Carlisle, has been awarded the Bowen Prize of the Society of Instrument Technology for his paper "Automation in the Process Industries with Particular Reference to the Biscuit Industry".

THE sixth International Congress of Nutrition, organized by the Nutrition Society, will be held in Edinburgh during August 9-15. Further information can be obtained from the honorary organizing secretary, Miss A. D. Watson, Department of Clinical Chemistry, Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh.

A SYMPOSIUM on "Inter-relationships between Nutrients", arranged jointly by the Nutrition Society and the Nutrition Society of Canada, will be held at the University Laboratory of Physiology, Oxford, during July 26-27. Further information can be obtained from Mr. I. Macdonald, Physiological Laboratory, Guy's Hospital, London, S.E.1.

A SYMPOSIUM on "Solvation Phenomena", organized by the Physical and Organic Chemistry Division of the Chemical Institute of Canada, will be held at the University of Alberta, Calgary, during August 29-30. Further information can be obtained from Dr. P. J. Krueger, Solvation Symposium, Department of Chemistry, University of Alberta, Calgary, Canada.

A SYMPOSIUM on the "Ionospheric Propagation of Very-low-frequency Electromagnetic Waves" will be held at the Central Radio Propagation Laboratory, National Bureau of Standards, Boulder, Colorado, during August 12-14. Further information can be obtained from the secretary, Mrs. D. Bolsher, VLF Symposium, National Bureau of Standards, Boulder, Colorado.

A CONFERENCE on "Veterinary Toxicology" will be held by the Section of Biological and Medical Sciences of the New York Academy of Sciences, and the American College of Veterinary Toxicologists, at the Henry Hudson Hotel, New York, during July 25-26. Further information can be obtained from the Executive Director, the New York Academy of Sciences, 2 East Sixty-Third Street, New York 21, N.Y.

THE third International Symposium on Biology in Saclay on "Activation Analysis and its Applications to the Biological Sciences (Medicine, Agronomy and Biology)" will be held at the Institut des Sciences et Techniques Nucléaires of the Centre d'Etudes Nucléaires, Saclay, during September 26-28. Further information can be obtained from the Secretary of the Symposium, CEN/S, Biology Department, B.P. No. 2, Gif-sur-Yvette (S. and O.).

THE third international meeting of the Biochemical Society will be held at Oxford during July 18-20. The programme will include: July 18, the Fourth Hopkins Memorial Lecture, "Nucleoside Diphosphate Sugars and Saccharide Synthesis", by Prof. L. F. Leloir (College of Technology, Headington). July 19, a discussion symposium on "The Control of Lipid Metabolism" (University Museum Lecture Theatre); a colloquium on "The Study of Nucleotide Sequences" (Physiology Lecture Theatre); a colloquium on "Vitamin B₁₂ Metabolism in Micro-Organisms" (Physiology Lecture Theatre). Further information can be obtained from Dr. H. R. V. Arnstein, the National Institute for Medical Research, the Ridgeway, Mill Hill, London, N.W.7.