The Oliver Memorial Fund for Blood Transfusion

THE Committee of the Oliver Memorial Fund for Blood Transfusion has given notice of its intention to make the sixteenth annual award of £50 and a plaque recording this to any British subject whose original work or service in the field of blood transfusion is considered by the adjudicators to be an outstanding contribution to the science, organization or donor aspect of this subject. The Committee welcomes communications directing its attention to suitable candidates and reserves the right to divide the award in the event of a tie. In accordance with the rules the award this year will be restricted to lay men and women. Applications must be made by June 30 and should be sent to the honorary secretary, Mrs. F. E. Bedborough, 105 New Park Avenue, Palmers Green, London, N.13.

University News:

Cambridge

THE following have been elected into fellowships at Churchill College: Title A from October 1, Dr. R. J. Watts-Tobin, of Trinity and Selwyn Colleges, College lecturer in mathematics; A. M. Walker, of Sidney Sussex College, University lecturer in mathematics; G. R. Allan, of Sidney Sussex College, College lecturer in mathematics. Title F (Overseas Fellowships), Dr. J. do V. Graaff, of St. John's College; Dr. F. T. McClure, chairman of the Research Center of the Applied Physics Laboratory of the Johns Hopkins Laboratory; Prof. P. Nozieres, professor of theoretical physics at the Faculté des Sciences, Paris; Dr. J. M. Ritchie, professor of pharmacology at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York; Prof. W. D. Robertson, professor of metallurgy and solid-state sciences at Yale University; Dr. J. T. Wilson, of St. John's College, professor of physics and geology at the University of Toronto; Prof. B. Chance, director of the Johnson Research Foundation in the University of Pennsylvania; Dr. R. J. Cvetanovic, principal research officer and head of the Kinetics and Catalysis Section, National Research Council of Canada.

London

DR. MONICA M. COLE, senior locturer in geography in the University of Keele, has been appointed to the chair of geography tenable at Bedford College. Dr. Anne Boloff-Chain, chief rosearch scientist in the Department of Biochemistry at the Istituto Superiore di Sanita, Rome, has been appointed to the readership in biochemistry tenable at the Imperial College of Science and Technology. Dr. B. M. Richards, a member of the scientific staff of the Medical Research Council Biophysics Research Unit in the Department of Biophysics at King's College, has been appointed to the readership in biology at that College. Mr. I. M. Khabaza, lecturer at the Computer Unit, has been appointed to the readership in computing science tenable at Queen Mary College. Dr. J. R. Mallard, reador in medical physics at the Postgraduate Medical School of London, has been appointed to the readership in biophysics tonable at St. Thomas's Hospital Medical School.

Sussex

The fourth annual report of the University of Sussex, covering the year ended July 31, 1963, records an increase in the acadomic faculty from 9 to 59, of whom 11 are professors and 29 lecturers (Pp. 36+xviii. London: H.M.S.O., 1963). Steps were taken to fill some 50 more vacancies for 1963-64 and all were satisfactorily filled from a large number of applicants of high quality. The administrative faculty increased from 10 to 18, and the addition of 40,000 volumes during the year brought the holdings of the Library at July 31, 1963, to more than 70,000; of the accessions, 25,000 were purchased. Of the 442 students in the session, 221 were men and 221 were women; 26 were research students, 7 of whom were from overseas; 159 were registered for the B.Sc. course in the School of Physical Sciences, 82 for the B.A. in the School of Social Studies, 107 for the B.A. in the School of English and American Studies, and 63 for the B.A. in the School of European Studies. There was an increase of more than 50 per cent in applications for admission for 1963-64 compared with 1962-63. Of the 416 undergraduates, 310 were accommodated in guest houses, 69 in lodgings, 11 at home and 26 in flats. The report also includes lists of special university lectures during the year and of publications by members of faculty.

Announcements

MR. D. BROADBENT, director of the Medical Research Council's Applied Psychology Research Unit, has been awarded the 1964 Vernon Prize of the National Institute of Industrial Psychology. The Prize, founded by the late Dr. H. M. Vernon, of the Industrial Health Research Board, is awarded in alternate years to the British investigator under forty-five years who, in the opinion of the Institute, has done most valuable research work in industrial psychology and physiology. Mr. Broadbent is president of the British Psychological Society.

THE British Iron and Steel Federation has been awarded the 1964 Sir George Earle Trophy of the National Industrial Safety Committee of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents. The award has been made to the Federation "in recognition of the important part it has played in the conspicuous progress in accident prevention within the steel industry which has been maintained since the setting up by the Federation in 1953 of permanent machinery for the centralized study of hazards and for the dissemination of knowledge of appropriate remedial action to all firms in the industry. Furthermore, its safety-educational material alone is of such a high standard that it has made a significant contribution to industrial safety in general".

THE first international congress on "The Sea", organized by the University of Rennes and the Fédération Thermale et Climatique de Bretagne, will be hold at Saint-Cast during May 31-June 6. Further information can be obtained from the Fédération Thermale et Climatique de Bretagne, 6 rue La Fayette, Rennes.

THE third International Congress of Polarography, arranged by the Polarographic Society, will be held in the University of Southampton during July 19–25. Further information can be obtained from the organizing secretary, Dr. D. A. Pantony, Department of Metallurgy, Royal School of Mines, Prince Consort Road, London. S.W.7.

A JOINT meeting of the Biochemical Society and the Swedish Biochemical Society will be held in Stockholm during May 14-15. The meeting will include a collequium on "Recent Advances in Separation and Structural Analysis". Further information can be obtained from Dr. H. R. V. Arnstein, the Biochemical Society, 20 Park Crescent, London, W.1.

A ONE-YEAR postgraduate course in biochemical ongineering, leading to a college diploma and associate membership of the Institution of Chemical Engineers, will be held at University College, London, as from October 1964. The course will cover engineering, biochemistry and microbiology, and is intended to train men for the biological industries, mainly those concerned with pharmacouticals, foods and beverages. Further information can be obtained from Prof. M. B. Donald, Department of Chemical Engineering, University College, Gower Street, London, W.C.1.