

Fisheries Division of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations

ON January 1 the Fisheries Division of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations became a department, consisting of two divisions, a Fishery Resources and Exploitation Division, the acting director of which is Mr. S. J. Holt, and a Fishery Economics and Products Division, the acting director of which is Mr. R. W. Harrison. Mr. R. I. Jackson, director of the former Fisheries Division, has been appointed assistant director-general, and Mr. F. E. Popper has been appointed director of programme co-ordination and operations for the new department, and will act as deputy to Mr. Jackson.

Academy of Sciences of the Socialist Republic of Romania

THE following have been elected honorary members of the Academy of Sciences of the Socialist Republic of Romania: Prof. J. D. Bernal (professor of crystallography at Birkbeck College, London); Prof. A. V. Hill (emeritus professor of physiology in the University of London); Sir Robert Robinson (emeritus professor of chemistry in the University of Oxford); Dr. G. Constantinescu. Sir Rudolph Peters (professor emeritus of biochemistry at the University of Oxford) has been elected a corresponding member of the Academy.

Institution of Mechanical Engineers :

James Clayton Fellowship

A JAMES CLAYTON FELLOWSHIP, tenable for 2 years, to enable an engineer to work in collaboration with surgeons and doctors on a suitable project, is to be awarded by the Institution of Mechanical Engineers on the recommendation of its working party on medical engineering. The sum granted will be adequate to cover living expenses during the tenure of the award and the value of the Fellowship will be assessed accordingly. Applications, on forms available from the Institution, 1 Birdcage Walk, London, S.W.1, are required not later than April 13, 1966, from candidates, who must be more than 23 and have obtained an engineering degree or have satisfied the Institution's examination requirements for graduate membership by some other means. They should preferably have had not less than 18 months' practical experience in industry. Normally, applicants for the James Clayton Fellowship must present a planned project for approval, but in this case a successful applicant who has a strong inclination towards medical work but no direct contacts in that field will be helped to find a suitable project.

A. A. Benedetti-Pichler Memorial Award in Microchemical Techniques

THE American Microchemical Society has created a fund to commemorate the work of the late Dr. A. A. Benedetti-Pichler. The award will be made to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the practice or teaching of micro-techniques. The award will be given at regular intervals with the understanding that the recipient will give a lecture at a gathering of analytical chemists covering the field for which the award has been designed. Nominations are now being sought and must be in the hands of the committee by April 1, 1966. A letter of 300 words or less, giving the name and address of the nominee and citing, in general, his work, should be sent to the chairman of the 1966 committee, Mr. David B. Sabine, U.S. Vitamin and Pharmaceutical Corporation, Yonkers, New York. The Fund is not closed, and gifts payable to the A. A. Benedetti-Pichler Memorial Fund may be sent to the chairman.

University News:

Belfast

DR. F. A. VICK, former director of the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell, has been appointed vice-chancellor.

Birmingham

DR. T. S. M. MACLEAN has been appointed senior lecturer in the Department of Electronic and Electrical Engineering. The following Research Fellows have also been appointed: Dr. S. M. Amir and P. J. Somers (chemistry); Dr. I. R. Harris (physical metallurgy). The title of reader has been conferred on the following: Dr. J. S. Hough (applied biochemistry and brewing science); Dr. D. G. Walker (biochemistry); Dr. J. H. Edwards (human genetics).

London

THE title of professor of geology has been conferred on Dr. J. G. Ramsay in respect of his post at the Imperial College of Science and Technology. The title of reader in geography has been conferred on Dr. J. H. G. Lebon in respect of his post at the School of Oriental and African Studies.

Announcements

THE following have been elected honorary members of the Genetical Society: Prof. N. P. Dubinin, Dr. M. Demerec and Prof. C. D. Darlington.

DR. B. BENJAMIN has been elected president of the Institute of Actuaries in succession to Sir Herbert Tetley, whose term of office will expire on June 13.

DR. W. TUVE has been appointed chief of the Research Training Grants Branch, National Institute of General Medical Sciences, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland.

THE fourteenth annual general meeting of the Society for Water Treatment and Examination will be held in London on March 11. Further information can be obtained from the Secretary, Society for Water Treatment and Examination, 41 Carshalton Road, Sutton, Surrey.

AN exhibit featuring the meteorite which fell at Barwell, Leicestershire, on December 24, 1965, is now mounted at the Geological Museum, London. The exhibit includes fragments of the meteorite, an account of its fall and photographs and maps of the locations where fragments have been found.

A SYMPOSIUM on "Non-linear Optics", organized by the National Academy of Sciences of India, will be held at Agra during February 26-28. Further information can be obtained from Prof. Vachaspati, Department of Physics, University of Allahabad, Allahabad.

A CONFERENCE on "Stresses in Structures and Machinery", arranged under the auspices of the Institution of Civil Engineers, will be held at the Institution during March 3-5. Further information can be obtained from the Institution of Civil Engineers, Great George Street, London, S.W.1.

THE twentieth annual symposium on fundamental cancer research entitled "Carcinogenesis: A Broad Critique", arranged by the University of Texas M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute, will be held in Houston during March 7-9. Further information can be obtained from the Symposium Committee, University of Texas M. D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute, Texas Medical Center, Houston, Texas.

A CELEBRATION to mark the centenary of the birth of Sir Arthur Keith (1866-1955), conservator of the Hunterian Museum and master of the Buckston Browne Farm, will be held at the Royal College of Surgeons of England on February 14. An introductory address will be given by Lord Brock and short papers delivered on aspects of Sir Arthur's work at the Royal College of Surgeons. The Sir Arthur Keith Memorial Lecture will be delivered by Sir Wilfrid Le Gros Clark. Further information can be obtained from the Secretary, Royal College of Surgeons of England, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London, W.C.2.