## University News:

Cornell

DR CARL SAGAN, assistant professor of astronomy at Harvard University, has been appointed an associate professor in the Department of Astronomy.

London

MR R. N. PRYOR, general manager of the Rio Tinto Patino SA, has been appointed to the chair of mining tenable at the Imperial College of Science and Technology.

## Manchester

MR PETER DOVELL, at present head of the Birmingham School of Planning and Landscape, has been appointed to a newly established chair of urban design.

## Announcements

THE Council of the Geological Society of London has made the following awards for 1968: Wollaston Medal to Professor R. C. Moore; Lyell Medal to Mr M. Black; Murchison Medal to Dr G. Wilson; Wollaston Fund to Dr S. Moorbath: Murchison Fund to Mr R. K. Harrison; a moiety of the Lyell Fund to Dr R. G. C. Bathurst; another moiety of the Lyell Fund to Mr R. E. Elliott.

THE Institute of Metals has made the following awards: Institute of Metals (Platinum) Medal for 1968 to Dr W. J. Kroll in recognition of his services to the non-ferrous metal industries; Rosenhain Medal for 1968 to Dr D. W. Pashley in recognition of his contributions in the field of physical metallurgy; W. H. A. Robertson Medal for 1967 to Mr T. Z. Blazynski for his paper, "An Assessment of a Combined Rotary Piercing and Elongating Process for Tube Making", published in the Journal of the Institute of Metals, April 1967.

## Meetings

TENTH Anniversary Meeting of the Phytochemical Society, April 1-3, University of Cambridge (Dr J. B. Harborne, Hartley Botanical Laboratories, The University, Liverpool 3).

PROPERTIES and Metrology of Surfaces, April 1-4, Oxford (Mr R. S. Glynn, Conference Department, The Institution of Mechanical Engineers, 1 Birdcage Walk, London, SW1).

STRUCTURE of Tracks of Charged Particles in Condensed Media, Second L. H. Gray Memorial Conference, April 8–10, 1969, Trinity College, Cambridge (Professor J. W. Boag, Second L. H. Gray Memorial Conference, Department of Physics, Institute of Cancer Research, Clifton Avenue, Belmont, Sutton, Surrey).

STRUCTURE, Solid Mechanics and Engineering Design in Civil Engineering Materials, April 21-25, 1969, University of Southampton (Secretariat, M. Te'eni, Department of Civil Engineering, University of Southampton, Southampton).

NATO Advanced Summer Study Institute on Superconductivity, June 17–29, McGill University (P. R. Wallace, Institute of Theoretical Physics, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada).

TECHNOLOGICAL Forecasting, June 23-25, University of Strathelyde (Mr R. V. Arnfield, University of Strathelyde, Livingstone Tower, Richmond Street, Glasgow).

Precision Electromagnetic Measurements, June 25-28, Boulder Laboratories of the National Bureau of Standards (Donald D. King, Aerospace Corporation, PO Box 95085, Los Angeles, California 90045).

NATURAL Rubber Conference, August 28-September 5, Kuala Lumpur (Natural Rubber Conference 1968, RRIM, PO Box 150, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia).

Physical Aspects of Noise in Electronic Devices, September 11-13, University of Nottingham (The Meetings Officer, 47 Belgrave Square, London, SW1).

THEORETICAL Chemistry Summer School, September 16-28, Somerville College and Mathematical Institute, Oxford (Professor C. A. Coulson, Mathematical Institute, 24-29 St. Giles, Oxford).

In the communication "Effect on Brain Erratum. Enzyme and Behaviour in the Rat of Visual Pattern Restriction in Early Life" by Devendra Singh et al. (Nature, 216, 1337; 1967), Table 2 should read:

	Table 2			
Rearing condition	ChE activity*	Anterior cortex	Posterior cortex	Total cortex
VP	Mean $\sigma_M$	55·00 7·90	55·80 4·55	53·09 4·45
RVP	$\max_{\sigma_{M}}^{m}$	38·67 5·11	27·33 6·06	33·00 4·02
Difference		16-33†	28.47 1	20.09

\* All ChE values are in moles ACh  $\times\,10^{10}$  hydrolysed/min/mg of tissue. † Significant at 0.05 level. ‡ Significant at 0.01 level.

The ChE activity for restricted visual pattern group (RVP) and visual pattern group (VP).

ERRATUM. In the communication "Sites of Inhibition of DNA Synthesis by Kethoxal bis (Thiosemicarbazone)" by Barbara A. Booth et al. (Nature, 217, 250; 1968), dCTP in the legend to Fig. 1 should represent deoxycytidine not deoxycytosine.

ERRATUM. In the communication "Sialotonin: Vasopressor Substance in Cat Submaxillary Saliva" by C. Moriwaki et al. (Nature, 217, 270; 1968), the second line of the penultimate paragraph refers to indolealkylamines: these should be indoleamines.

ERRATUM. In the article "Radio Emitting Electrons in the Galaxy and the Solar Modulation of Cosmic Rays" by K. C. Anand et al. (Nature, 217, 25; 1968), the scale of the legend to Fig. 1 should be in BeV and not GeV as shown. The abscissa of Fig. 2 should be Frequency (MHz) (Anticentre), and the third sentence of the third paragraph on page 27 should read; "It may also be pertinent to stress here that the fitting in the high frequency end of Fig. 2A depends primarily on the assumed magnetic field because in this frequency region  $I_{\nu} \propto L < H_1 > \nu$ , where y > 1".

ERRATUM. In the communication "Ultraviolet Photolysis of Sodium Nitrate Solutions in the Laboratory and by Sunlight" by E. G. Gori et al. (Nature, 217, 248; 1968), columns 2 and 3 of Table 2 should read:

$$a'$$
  $\beta'$ 

Mole l.<sup>-1</sup> cal.<sup>-1</sup> Cal.<sup>-1</sup>
 $2.70 \times 10^{-8}$   $6.27 \times 10$ 
 $4.10 \times 10^{-3}$   $3.47 \times 10$ 

CORRIGENDUM. In the communication "Proposed Procedure for the Allocation of Trivial Names to the Gibberellins" by J. MacMillan and N. Takahashi (Nature, 217, 170; 1968) the structure of Canavalia-II was incorrectly drawn; the OH group should not have been present.

CORRIGENDUM. Textbook of Fluid Dynamics, by Frank Chorlton, which was reviewed in *Nature* (217, 199; 1968), is available as a library edition in cloth boards for 70s., as well as the paperback version at 35s., which was reviewed.