

## University News

**Dr Robert G. Sachs** has been appointed director of the Enrico Fermi Institute in the **University of Chicago** in succession to Dr R. H. Hildebrand.

**Professor N. F. Robertson**, Hull, has been appointed to the joint post of professor of agriculture and rural economy in the **University of Edinburgh** and principal of the **Edinburgh and East of Scotland College of Agriculture**.

**Dr F. E. Jones**, managing director of Mullard Ltd, has been appointed visiting professor in the Department of Electronics and Electrical Engineering at **University College, London**.

**Dr R. L. Bisplinghoff** has been appointed dean of the School of Engineering at the **Massachusetts Institute of Technology** in succession to Dr G. S. Brown, who has been appointed to the Dugald C. Jackson professorship in engineering.

## Appointments

**Professor D. A. Pond**, London Hospital Medical College, and **Professor T. Symington**, University of Glasgow, have been appointed to the Medical Research Council in succession to **Professor Martin Roth** and **Professor A. R. Currie**.

**Professor F. J. Hyde**, at present professor of physical electronics in the University of Wales, has been appointed professor of electrical and electronic engineering and head of the department at the **Royal Military College of Science at Shrivenham**, and **Mr R. N. Shephard**, at present senior principal scientific officer with the Ministry of Defence, has been appointed associate professor in the Department of Physics.

**ERRATUM.** Dr R. Pocklington, of the Institute of Oceanography, Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia, has written to point out that the Atlantic II deep mentioned in the article, "Pleistocene Pteropods in Pelagic Sediments" (*Nature*, 219, 1145; 1968) should be Atlantis II deep, after the RV Atlantis II.

**ERRATUM.** In the article "Effect of Antiserum to *E. coli* DNA Polymerase on Synthesis of  $\Phi$ X174 DNA in Extracts of  $\Phi$ X-Infected Cells", by David T. Denhardt (*Nature*, 220, 131; 1968),  $\mu$ moles in the eighth paragraph and in the legend to Table 3 should read  $\mu$ moles.

**ERRATUM.** In the communication "Polydeoxynucleotide Intermediates in DNA Replication in Regenerating Liver", by K. Tsukada *et al.* (*Nature*, 220, 162; 1968), the first sentence should read: "Observations made by Okazaki *et al.*<sup>1,2</sup> and Oishi<sup>3</sup> support the idea that relatively small polydeoxynucleotides are intermediates in the replication of both strands of bacterial and phage DNA". The second sentence of the third paragraph should read: "The rise in nuclear DNA synthesis began about 12 h after the operation and the rate was about two-thirds of the maximal after 16 h and maximal after 19 h (ref. 4)". In the penultimate paragraph the first two sentences should read: "The results obtained when the unheated DNA preparation of Fig. 4 was exposed to exonuclease I (240 u/ml., 30 min, 37° C) and portions were chromatographed on hydroxyapatite or sedimented in neutral or alkaline sucrose gradient are not shown".

**ERRATUM.** In the News and Views note "Swanscombe Re-excavated" (*Nature*, 220, 123; 1968) the second sentence should have read "This summer, very well preserved animal bones and Clactonian flake tools and chopper cores in mint condition, have been recovered from a two acre site owned by the Nature Conservancy", and not the National Trust as stated.

## International Meetings

November 13, **Isotope Generators**, London (Miss B. Bashford, General Secretary, The British Institute of Radiology, 32 Welbeck Street, London W1).

November 19, **Detection and Assessment of the Toxicity of Materials used by the Food Industry**, Solihull (The Secretary, BIBRA, Woodmansterne Road, Carshalton, Surrey).

November 25, **Measuring Efficiency in Education**, London (The Science of Science Foundation, c/o The Ciba Foundation, 41 Portland Place, London W1).

December 4, **Scientific Information for Physicists**, London (The Meetings Officer, The Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, 47 Belgrave Square, London SW1).

December 13, **Techniques for Biologists**, London (Dr R. A. Dunning, Broom's Barn Experimental Station, Higham, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk).

December 16-18, **Chemical Aspects of Electron Spin Resonance**, Cardiff (Dr J. C. Evans, Chemistry Department, University College, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF1 3NR).

December 17, **New Techniques of Communication and their relevance to Efficiency in Education**, London (The Science of Science Foundation, c/o The Ciba Foundation, 41 Portland Place, London W1).

January 2-4, **Design of Physics Buildings**, Lancaster (The Meetings Officer, Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, 47 Belgrave Square, London SW1).

January 7-9, **Orbital Symmetry Correlation in Organic Reactions**, Cambridge (Dr J. F. Gibson, Scientific Affairs Officer, The Chemical Society, Burlington House, London W1).

February 17-19, **Structure and Metabolism of the Pancreatic Islets**, Umea (Professor B. Hellman, c/o Department of Histology, University of Umea, Umea 6, Sweden).

February 18-21, **Underwater and Marine Technology**, Brighton (Oceanology International 69, 6 London Street, London W2).

February 19-20, **Tribology in Railways**, London (C. J. Pidgcon, Conference Department, Institution of Mechanical Engineers, 1 Birdcage Walk, Westminster, London SW1).

February 21-23, **Chemicals and Oils from Coal**, Bihar (Organising Secretary, Symposium on Chemicals and Oils from Coal, Central Fuel Research Institute, PO FRI, Dr. Dhanbad, Bihar, India).

February 27-28, **Sugar Beet Research**, Brussels, (150 rue Beauduin, Tirlemont, Belgium).

February 27-March 1, **American Physical Society meeting**, St Louis (Dr W. W. Havens, jun., American Physical Society, 335 East 45th Street, New York, NY 10017, USA).

March 1-7, **American Concrete Institute Convention**, Chicago (22400 West Seven Mile Road, Detroit, Michigan 48219).

March 3-8, **Concrete**, Dusseldorf (Deutscher Beton-Verein, Postfach 543, Bahnhofstr. 61, 6200 Wiesbaden, Germany).

March 5-7, **Fundamental Cancer Research**, Houston (Frances Coff, Special Projects, M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute, University of Texas, Houston, Texas 77025).

March 7-12, **Pathology**, San Francisco (Dr P. K. Mostofi, Secretary, c/o Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Washington DC 20305).