



genetics. With the onset of the Second World War, his group turned to animal viruses and their fundamental studies on

the purification and characterization of influenza virus led to the preparation of a safe and effective vaccine.

Stanley joined the University of California at Berkeley where, in 1948, he founded the Virus Laboratory and built a new Department of Biochemistry which he served as Chairman until 1953. Subsequently he initiated the formation of the Department of Virology in 1958 which he chaired until 1964 when it was expanded to become the present Department of Molecular Biology. In these academic departments, Stanley promoted and fostered the blending of teaching and research in a most fruitful way. His own interests were directed toward the conquest of viral diseases and the potentialities of viruses in the induction of cancer. He encouraged research in this area and exerted considerable influence in programmes on the national level. His contributions to cancer research were recognized by two

awards from the American Cancer Society, one in 1959 and another in 1963 and by his selection as President of the Tenth International Cancer Congress, Houston, Texas, in 1970.

Many honours came to Stanley over the years: elections to honorary societies, distinguished lectureships, about a score of honorary degrees, and numerous medals and prizes including the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1946. In his lifetime, he had three different and equally productive careers: first as a bold, imaginative scientist whose research revolutionized biological thought; second as an outstanding educational administrator who recruited, supported and inspired many young scientists; and third as a distinguished statesman who played a major role in shaping enlightened national and international policy with regard to scientific research on cancer and the role of viruses.

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Monday, September 13

Fundamentals of Software for Computer Engineers (vacation school, thirteen days) Institution of Electrical Engineers, in association with the Institution of Electronic and Radio Engineers, at the University of Manchester.

Surface Chemistry of Oxides (three-day Discussion) Faraday Society, in the Chemistry Department, Brunel University, Uxbridge, Middlesex.

Tuesday, September 14

5th Annual Solid State Devices Conference (three days) Institute of Physics and the Physical Society, in collaboration with the Institution of Electrical Engineers, the Institution of Electronic and Radio Engineers, the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, at the University of Lancaster.

Flexographic Printing Inks (7.30 p.m.) Oil and Colour Chemists' Association, at the Griffin Hotel, Boar Lane, Leeds.

Wednesday, September 15

Centrifugal Methods of Particle Size Analysis (2.30 p.m.) Society for Analytical Chemistry, North East Section and the Particle Size Analysis Group, at Newcastle University, Room L.101, Mertz Court, Queen Victoria Road, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

Formulation of Two Epoxy Paints (4.30 p.m.) Mr A. McWilliam, Oil and Colour Chemists' Association, at the Manchester Literary and Philosophical Society, 36 George Street, Manchester 1. (Student Lecture.)

Thursday, September 16

Insect/Plant Relationships (two-day symposium) Royal Entomological Society of London, at the Imperial College of

Science Mechanical Engineering Lecture Theatre, Exhibition Road, London SW7.

Modern Analytical Techniques for Bio-Active Substances (two-day meeting) Society for Analytical Chemistry, at the University of Surrey, Guildford, Surrey.

Friday, September 17

The Work of the Government Chemist (7 p.m.) Dr H. Egan, Society for Analytical Chemistry, Western Region, in the Chemistry Department, University of Bristol.

Sunday, September 19

Electrical Measurement Practice (vacation school, thirteen days) Institution of Electrical Engineers, in association with the Institution of Electronic and Radio Engineers, at the University of York.

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