should be to investigate the soft X-ray emission of the Sun, it was no surprise that Professor Stewardson's ability was called upon. A collaborative venture between the Universities of Leicester and London ensued, and in 1961 the first direct spectral data for solar soft X-rays were obtained by mounting a soft X-ray spectrometer on a rocket. During the next few years a group devoted to the soft X-ray side of space physics was set up under the direction of Professor Stewardson at the University of Leicester. Some of the successful joint experiments were those on an orbiting solar observatory in 1967 and 1968 and the recently acclaimed X-ray telescope array.

In parallel with the space application of soft X-ray spectroscopy, Professor Stewardson maintained a strong interest in other aspects of atomic physics. He was interested in electron-nuclear collisions and supervised the building and operation of a van de Graaff accelerator in Leicester in the early 1950s.

He will be missed by his colleagues and friends at Leicester.

Announcements

Appointments

THE following have been appointed members and officers of the International Office of Radiological Protection for 1973-77. Chairman, Dr C. G. Stewart (Canada), Professor B. Lindell (Sweden), Dr D. J. Beninson (Argentina), Dr H. Jammet (France), Dr J. Liniecki (Poland), Dr A. S. McLean (Great Britain), Professor Y. I. Moskalev (USSR), Dr H. B. Newcombe (Canada), Dr E. E. Pochin (Great Britain), Professor S. Takahashi (Japan), Professor A. C. Upton (USA), Dr J. Vennart (Great Britain), Professor Sir Brian Windeyer (Great Britain). Members Emeritus, Professor K. Z. Morgan (USA) and Dr L. S. Taylor (USA). Scientific Secretary, Dr F. D. Sowerby (Canada).

Professor Francis O'Grady, University of London, has been appointed to the Foundation Chair of Microbiology, University of Nottingham.

The following have been appointed members of the Natural Environment Research Council: Professor F. G. T. Holliday, Professor A. W. Skempton, Dr R. G. West, Dr I. Maddock, and Mr D. J. Lyons.

Dr K. Hellmann of the Cancer Chemotherapy Unit, Imperial Cancer Research Fund, has been appointed Visiting Professor of Cancer Chemotherapy to the Westminster Medical School, University of London.

Errata

In the bibliography of the book *Notes on the History of Nutrition Research* (reviewed *Nature*, **245**, 442; 1973) the publisher and prices should have read: (Huber: Stuttgart, Berne and Vienna, 1973.) 42 Sw. fr.; 38 DM.

In the article "Model for the Mating Protocol of Synchronously Flashing Fireflies" by J. E. Lloyd (*Nature*, **245**, 268; 1973) paragraph 11, line 7 and following, should read "This is not apparent and perhaps does not occur in most *Pteroptyx* species. I spent many hours within swarms watching individuals and once saw this: a male received a luminescent response to his signals from a female 30 cm away and walked to her and mounted her immediately".

International Meetings

December 3, **The Bragg Lecture** (Dr H. Judith Milledge, Secretary, Bragg Lecture Fund Committee, Chemistry Department, University College London, Gower Street, London WC1).

December 17–21, Marine Waste Disposal and Marine Pollution (Istituto di Ingegneria Sanitaria del Politecnico di Milano, Segreteria per i Convegni Internazionali, Piazza Leonardo da Vinci 32, 20133 Milan).

December 18, Second Scottish Perkin Symposium (Professor P. L. Parson, Department of Pure and Applied Chemistry, University of Strathclyde, Cathedral Street, Glasgow G1 1XL).

December 18–19, 545th Biochemical Society Meeting (Meetings Officer, The Biochemical Society, 7, Warwick Court, Holborn, London WC1R 5DP).

Reports and Publications

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