Cyclopædia of botanical collections, and book on Malaysian Plant-Life ... Was released as a prisoner of war, August 11, 1942, again in jail, December 14, 1942 to April 13, 1943, worked again to August 13, 1945. Now again interned ... The biologists, Dr. W. K. Huitema, Ir. P. H. Heckenberg, Dr. J. H. G. Ferman, Dr. M. P. Both, Ir. C. van der Giessen, and P. van der Groot, have died. Of many others, especially Dr. M. A. Donk, Dr. P. J. Eyma, and T. H. van der Honert, not yet any news. Dr. O. Posthumus, H. C. D. de Wit and my wife still working. Hope to be released soon ..."

National Institute of Sciences of India.—At a meeting of the Council of the National Institute of Sciences of India, held on Monday, the 19th November 1945, at the Delhi University, Delhi, the ballot papers were scrutinised and the following gentlemen were declared to have been elected Fellows of the Institute:—

Ordinary Fellows—(1) Dr. I. Banerji, D.sc., Lecturer in Botany, Calcutta University; (2) Dr. P. B. Ganguli, p.sc., Principal, Science College, Patna; (3) Dr. S. Ghosh, p.sc., Professor of Chemistry, School of Tropical Medicine, Calcutta; (4) Dr. P. S. Gill, Ph.D., Professor, Forman Christian College, Lahore; (5) Dr. J. C. Gupta, м.в., Professor of Pharmacology, School of Tropical Medicine, Calcutta; (6) Dr. S. S. Joshi, p.sc., Principal, College of Science, Benares Hindu University; (7) Dr. B. C. Kundu, ph.p., F.L.s., Professor of Botany, Presidency College, Calcutta, (8) Dr. C. Mahadevan, p.sc., Assistant Superintendent, Hydera-... bad Geological Survey, Hyderabad-Deccan; (9) Dr. P. C. Mahanti, n.sc., F.Inst.P., Lecturer in Applied Physics, Calcutta University; (10) Dr. U. S. Nayar, M.A., Ph.D., Head of the Department of Statistics, Travancore University, Trivandrum; (11) Dr. M. V. Radhakrishna Rao, M.B., B.S., Ph.D., Clinical Research Officer, Haffkine Institute, Parel, Bombay; (12) Dr. M. L. Roonwal, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent, Zoological Survey of India, Benares Cantt.; (13) Dr. R. E. M. Wheeler, D.Litt., Hon. D.Litt., Director-General of Archæology in India, Simla.

Honorary Fellows.—(1) Prof. A. F. Blakeslee, Smith College, Northampton, U.S.A.; (2) Dr. R. A. Millikan, President of the California Institute of Technology; (3) Prof. P. Niggli, Professor of Mineralogy and Petrology, Federal Polytechnical University and University of Zurich.

The Bombay Metallurgical Society.—A Society of the above name has been established at Bombay with 77 members, 11 associates and 18 firms engaged in metallurgical work, as subscribers.. President: Prof. N. P. Gandhi, formerly of the Benares Hindu University; Secretary: Mr. Y. M. Mehta, Partner, The Standard Plaster Works, Bombay. Those interested may obtain further particulars from the Secretary, Kennaway House, Proctor Road, Girgaon, Bombay 4.

The Meteorological Office Colloquium, Poona.

—Mr. P. R. Pisharoti spoke on "The Theory of Cyclones" on 2nd and 9th November 1945,

and Dr. R. Ananthakrishnan "On Fluctuations of pressure and temperature in the atmosphere" on 23rd and 30th November 1945.

SIR M. Visvesvaraya, K.C.I.E., I.L.D., has been re-elected unanimously as President of the All-Ind.a Manufacturers' Organization for the year 1946.

The Sixth Annual Conference of the All-India Manufacturers' Organization will be held on Friday, 28th, and Saturday, 29th December 1945, in Madras at the Banqueting Hall, Government House, under the Presidentship of Sir M. Visvesvaraya, K.C.I.E., LL.D. The first day's session starts at 3 p.m. on Friday, 28th December 1945. The Conference will have special importance in view of the fact that with the cessation of the war many vital transition problems connected with the industrialization of the Country which are engaging the attention of the Government and the industrialists will be discussed.

Imperial Chemical Industries (India) Research Fellowship.—The Council of the National Institute of Sciences of India, Calcutta, has awarded an Imperial Chemical Industries (India) Research Fellowship, carrying a stipend of Rs. 400 per month, to Mr. Rama Nagina Singh, M.sc., to conduct research work on Algology under the direction of Dr. Yajnavalkya Bharadwaja, University Professor of Botany, Benares Hindu University, for two years in the first instance.

In 1938 the Burmah Oil Co., Ltd., embarked upon a large-scale survey, employing the latest known methods in the world, and at the outbreak of war, they had as many as seventeen separate geophysical parties at work in India and Burma. The survey had covered 330,000 square miles, 22,000 observation stations had been set up from which gravity measurements were made and the cost so far has been Rs. 45 lakhs. As soon as conditions permit, the B.O.C. are planning to employ the latest methods to try to find new oilfields. Amongst other companies, who engaged in oil exploration in India, is the Attock Oil Company.

## ERRATA

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Page 229, Note on "Quantum Mechanical Theory of the Joshi Effect," column 1, line 21: read "ionised" for "isolated".

Page 245, Note on "Apparent Carotene and Vitamin C in Dehydrated Vegetables", in Table I heading, read "moisture-free basis" for "moisture basis".

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Page 261, Note on "A Relation between the Sheer Constant  $C_{44}$ ... Metals", column 2, last line of the table, under the heading  $(r \times 10^8)$  Calculated, the figure for K should be 4.87 in place of 8.87.

Page 276, Review of the book A Class-Book of Botany, para 2, line 15 (running on p. 277),

read "petaloideee" for "uitaloideee".