

## PHYTOCHEMICAL SOCIETY

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Society Officers and Committee 1975-6

At the recent Annual General Meeting of the Society held in Hull, the present officers were re-elected to serve the Society for a further year, except for Dr. John Dicks, who has just completed his five years as Membership Secretary. The new Membership Secretary, elected at this meeting, is Dr. Margaret Roberts of the School of Pharmacy, University of London. Three new Committee members were also elected at the same AGM: Dr. C. Bucke, Philip Lyle Research Laboratory, University of Reading; Dr. R. Horgan, Dept. of Botany, University College of Wales, Aberystwyth; and Professor H. Smith, Dept. of Physiology, University of Nottingham, Sutton Bonnington.

#### Tate and Lyle Award in Phytochemistry

This new award was instituted by the Society Committee, through the initiative of Prof. L. Fowden, F.R.S. in January 1975 and is offered through the generosity of Tate and Lyle Ltd. According to the terms of the award, it will be presented annually to the European investigator judged to have the most significant contribution to phytochemistry during the previous five years.

The name of the first recipient, announced by the chairman Professor John Friend at the Annual General Meeting in April, is

#### PROFESSOR DONALD BOULTER

of the department of Botany, University of Durham. He received the award for his eminent contributions to the biochemistry of plant proteins and for his distinguished work on the molecular evolution of cytochrome c and plastocyanin.

#### January 1976 Meeting

This will be held at the Jodrell Laboratory, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew on 6 January, by kind permission of the Director Professor J. Heslop-Harrison, F.R.S. The topic will be *100 years of Phytochemistry at Kew* and the programme forms part of the Centenary Celebration of the Jodrell laboratory. There will be review lectures dealing with chemotaxonomy given by J. Heslop-Harrison, J. Darnley-Gibbs, R. Hegnauer, J. B. Harborne, T. Swain and E. J. Sheppard. Further details from the local secretary: Dr. Keith Jones, the Jodrell Laboratory, Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, Richmond, Surrey.

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#### A. C. NEISH MEMORIAL LECTURE

The first *A. C. Neish Memorial Lecture* will be given in Halifax, Nova Scotia during the week commencing October 20, 1975 by Dr. R. H. Manske, Adjunct Professor, Department of Chemistry, University of Waterloo, Ontario, and will be sponsored by the *Nova Scotian Institute of Science*. The exact date and title will be announced later. Arrangements are being made for him to give the Lecture also in Ottawa and Saskatoon.

Dr. Manske is a graduate of Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario and the University of Manchester, England. He was formerly with the National Research Council of Canada and research director of the Dominion Rubber Company, Ltd. His distinguished career includes an honorary D.Sc. from McMaster University in 1960 and an honorary LL.D. from Queen's in 1967. He was medallist of the Chemical Institute of Canada in 1959 and its President during 1963-64. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

The Lecture is to commemorate the work and life of Arthur Charles Neish, F.R.S., O.C., formerly Director of the Atlantic Regional Laboratory, National Research Council of Canada, who died in 1973.