NOTES AND NEWS

THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANISATION.

Intimation has been received from the President of the International Meteorological Organisation that the first Congress of the World Meteorological Organisation, of which the Convention came into force on the 23rd March 1950, will be held in Paris in March 1951 and will be immediately preceded by the last Conference of the Directors of the International Meteorological Organisation.

INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL ORGANISATION: REGIONAL COMMISSION FOR ASIA.

Dr. S.K. Banerji who was elected as the President of the Regional Commission for Asia of the International Meteorological Organisation at its first Conference at New Delhi in November 1948, resigned from this office with effect from the 27th April 1950 due to his retirement from the post of the Director General of Observatories, India. Dr. H.P. Berlage, Director, Meteorological and Geophysical Service, Indonesia, one of the Vice-Presidents, assumed office as President.

INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL COMMITTEE.

On the resignation of Dr. S.K. Banerji from his membership of the International Meteorological Committee due to his retirement from service on the 27th April 1950, Mr. V.V. Sohoni has been elected a Member in the vacancy. This election will be valid until the meeting of the next World Meteorological Congress when new election of all the members is due to take place.

ROYAL METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY, LONDON.

We have received the news that Dr. S.K. Banerji, D.Sc., F.N.I., who as the then Director General of observatories inaugurated our Journal in January this year, has been elected as an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Meteorological Society, London, at its centenary celebrations meeting held in April this year, in recognition of the eminent services rendered by him to meteorological science. He was one of the five foreign Meteorologists to receive the distinction. Indian Meteorologists have reason to be proud of this recognition abroad of work done in India.

ATMOSPHERIC RESEARCH COMMITTEE.

The Atmospheric Research Committee has been reconstituted by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research for a period of three years with effect from the 1st April 1950. Mr. V.V. Sohoni, Director General of Observatories, has been appointed Chairman of the Committee and the following have been appointed as members: (1) Dr. H.J. Bhabha, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Bombay, (2) Prof. M.N. Saha, University College of Science, Calcutta, (3) Dr. S.K. Banerji, (4) Scientific Adviser to the Ministry of Defence, (5) Dr. S.K. Mitra, University College of Science, Calcutta, (6) Dr. K.R. Ramanathan, Physical Research Laboratory, Ahmedabad, (7) Dr. K.S. Krishnan, Director, National Physical Laboratory, New Delhi, (8) A representative from the India Meteorological Department, (9) Director, Scientific and Industrial Research (Ex-officio).

RADIO RESEARCH COMMITTEE.

The Radio Research Committee has been reconstituted by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research for a period of three years with effect from the 1st April 1950, with Dr. K.S. Krishnan, Director, National Physical Laboratory as Chairman, and the following as members: (1) Dr. S.K. Mitra, University College of Science, Calcutta, (2) Dr. B.N. Baliga, Chief Engineer, All India Radio, (3) Director General of Observatories, (4) Dr. K. Srinivasan, Professor of Communication Engineering, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, (5) A representative of the Posts and Telegraphs Department, (6) Prof. M.N. Saha, University College of Science, Calcutta, (7) Scientific Adviser to the Ministry of Defence, (8) Dr. M.B. Sarwate, Directorate General of Civil Aviation, (9) Director, Overseas Communication Service, Bombay, (10) Technical Representative of National EKCO; Bombay, (11) Director, Scientific and Industrial Research (Ex-officio).