

member of a very large number of academic bodies, committees and organisations which initiate, organise and finance Indian scientific research, publish the results thereof and shape policy in correlating the results of research to the needs of agriculture and industry, Sir J. C. Ghosh has played a leading part during the last two decades. And in every one of these many diverse fields, his personal qualities and quiet charm of manner have won for him the loyalty, esteem and friendship of a host of admirers.



It is characteristic of Sir J. C. Ghosh's innate modesty that at the first public meeting he took part after being knighted (as President of a meeting of the South Indian Science Association on January 11, 1943), he said that he preferred to consider the honour not as a personal distinction but as a tribute to all those who shared in the scientific endeavour centred at Bangalore. *Current Science* can think of no more appropriate wish on this happy occasion than to say: May scientific endeavour in Bangalore continue to be honoured thus for many, many more years to come!

RAO BAHADUR B. VISWANATH, F.I.C., C.I.E.

THE happy news that Rao Bahadur Viswanath, Offg. Director, Imperial Agricultural Research Institute, New Delhi, has received the distinction of C.I.E. will be read with immense satisfaction by his numerous friends and colleagues in the scientific world. Rao Bahadur Viswanath is a pioneer in agricultural research and has been responsible for building up a



strong and enthusiastic school of agricultural science both at Coimbatore and now at Delhi. His work on the effect of farm-yard manure in raising the vitaminic potency of the crops raised on it, remains one of the classical pieces of work carried out by him.

During the post-war period of the last World War, Rao Bahadur Viswanath played a prominent part in helping the agriculturists to grow more food by the application of phosphatic manures, and by the adoption of scientific methods of agriculture. To-day he is at the helm of the Imperial Agricultural Institute, and with the unbounded energy

and vigorous drive characteristic of him, he is organising the 'grow more food campaign' not only to obtain food materials in quantity but of a quality which will keep the nation free from hunger and free from disease. This is the greatest service which any scientist can render to his country.

We wish to offer him our heartiest felicitations on the honour he has won and wish him a long and eventful career of greater achievement and higher distinction.

DR. W. R. AYKROYD, C.B.E., M.D.,
Sc.D.

IT is a great pleasure to offer Dr. Aykroyd our felicitations on the occasion of the conferment of the C.B.E. in the New Year Honours list. Dr. Aykroyd succeeded Sir Robert McCarrison in 1935 as the Director, Nutrition Research Laboratories, Coonoor. Prior to this appointment, while working in the Health Section of the

He is also responsible for starting propaganda work in the field of nutrition, setting up a fine museum in the Laboratories and also starting a training course in nutrition for health officers, which attracts persons from different parts of India every year. Dr. Aykroyd has published two books on nutrition and numerous scientific papers. We wish Dr. Aykroyd a long life and many more distinctions to crown his labours.

SIR S. S. BHATNAGAR, Kt., O.B.E.,
D.Sc., F.Inst.P., F.N.I.

WE are happy to announce that Sir S. S. Bhatnagar has been elected an honorary member of the Society of Chemical Industry, London, in recognition



League of Nations, he wrote in collaboration with Dr. E. Burnet, the report "Nutrition and Public Health", which won him international fame in the field of nutrition. Dr. Aykroyd is a member of the Technical Commission on Nutrition of the League of Nations. In India, the credit of systematic analysis of various Indian foodstuffs and also of initiating, all over the country, field experiments in practical nutrition especially with school children, goes to Dr. Aykroyd.



of his "manifold contribution to knowledge and his selfless devotion to scientific and academic duties". We wish to offer him our respectful felicitations on this distinction.