

INSTITUTE NOTES

We deeply regret to announce the death of V. Subrahmanya Iyer, of Mysore, on December 25th, 1949. Mr. Iyer was devoted to the pursuit of truth, and several years ago gave a sum of £150 to the Institute in order to provide for an occasional lecture on the Nature of Truth. A short account of his career and his philosophical views will be given in a later issue of the JOURNAL.

OBJECTS OF THE INSTITUTE

The Royal Institute of Philosophy exists to bring leading exponents of various branches of Philosophy into direct contact with the general public, with the purpose of satisfying a need felt by many men and women in every walk of life for greater clearness and comprehensiveness of vision in human affairs.

With this broad educational purpose in view, the Institute—

- (1) Provides at suitable times in the day and evening courses of lectures by leading exponents in the more important subjects coming within the scope of Philosophy. All branches of Philosophy are represented—Ethics and Social Philosophy, the Philosophy of Law and of the Sciences, of the Fine Arts and of Religion, as well as Logic and Metaphysics and Psychology. These lectures are free to members.
- (2) Issues a quarterly philosophical journal (free to members).
- (3) Proposes to form a philosophical Library.
- (4) Gives guidance and assistance to individuals in their philosophical reading.
- (5) Encourages research in Philosophy.

There are Local Centres of the Institute at Bangor, Cardiff, Liverpool, Manchester, Newcastle, Durham, and Sheffield.

Students of philosophy are reminded that they may become associates of the Institute at a reduced fee of 8s. 6d. per annum, provided they are full-time students studying for a degree or diploma at a university or university college and not engaged in a gainful occupation. Present or past Members of the Institute are not eligible to become Associates.

Further information and forms of application for membership may be had on application to the Director of Studies at University Hall, 14 Gordon Square, London, W.C.1.

NOTICE

THE THIRD GERMAN CONGRESS OF PHILOSOPHY

The Academic Committee of the Congress, consisting of Professor Dr. Plessner, Professor Dr. von Rintelen and Dr. Wein, have decided to hold the Third German Congress of Philosophy from October 2nd to 6th in Bremen. The Congress will concentrate less on loosely-connected lectures than on carefully-prepared discussions or "Symposia." A number of philosophers and representatives of subjects related to Philosophy will study the various aspects of the topics set for deliberation, and will defend the opinions they have formed in the Congress discussions. The following symposia have been proposed:

- (1) Power and Right.
- (2) Historical Materialism and the Problem of Ideology.
- (3) The philosophical basis of Symbolic Logic.
- (4) The problem of Environment.
- (5) Problems of Cosmology.
- (6) The problems of consciousness, of language and of poetry.

Members who are interested are advised to communicate with Dr. J. Wein, Bremen, Richard-Dehmel-Strasse 7, Germany, for any further information. The Committee will welcome British visitors to the Congress.