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Professor Hering Memorial Research Fund which is awarded for certain aspects of entomological work. A Local Authority is only too quick to allow time off if it does not involve any expenditure. The essence of research work, though, is the publication of results, and it is useless to attempt the former unless the latter is achieved.

I have long been of the opinion that the technical staff of museums have been without an opportunity to either hear about the many aspects of their work or actually be able to demonstrate their skills and they must not be forgotten when 'curators' groups meet. The topic of 'Living Collections in Museums' covers a wide range of activities which require a technical skill and knowledge. This is one of the reasons for selecting such a topic for the Bolton meeting.

EGH.

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| Ms H. C. G. Ross | Ulster Museum, Belfast |
| Mr Sverre Bakkevig | Arkeologisk Museum, Stavanger |
| Dr P. F. Lingwood | Merseyside County Museums, Liverpool |
| Mr C. N. G. Scotter | Leicestershire Museums |
| Dr P. Wheatcroft | Coventry Museum |
| Mr D. Whiteley | Sheffield Museum |
| Mr C. J. T. Copp | Bristol Museum |
| Mr M. D. Murphy | Merseyside County Museums |