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LECTURE ON BORNEO

There will be a General Meeting of the FPS on Wednesday, January 27th, at 5.30 p.m., in the offices of the Zoological Society of London, at which Dr. E. J. H. Corner, F.R.S., will speak on the Mount Kinabalu National Park in Sabah (North Borneo), and show slides.

BIRTHDAY PRESENT

Mrs. H. E. Davies, of Berkhamsted, Herts, celebrated her 100th birthday by sending a gift of £100 to the FPS. While congratulating Mrs. Davies on her centenary, and thanking her for her generous gift, may we recommend this kind of birthday present to other members of the Society?

218 NEW MEMBERS

In the first ten months of 1964 the Society welcomed 218 new members, 13 of them life members. We hope in 1965 to welcome many more, and ask all our members to help us. There is a tear-out membership application form on page 327, and the Assistant Secretary will be pleased to send our new leaflet describing the work of the Society to any member who would like some for distribution—address opposite.

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