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STUDYING INDOOR AIR

A number of specialists in America and elsewhere are now engaged in the study of the effects of indoor atmospheric conditions on human beings. The advent of air-conditioning has greatly stimulated such studies. According to an announcement from Prof. C.-E. A. Winslow, of Yale University, quoted in the current issue of the magazine "Taylor," unique facilities for the study of the effect of a wide variety of atmospheric conditions on the health and comfort of both human beings and the lower animals have been provided through the completion of the John B. Pierce Laboratory, in New Haven, Conn.

The laboratory, located close to the Medical School buildings, is equipped with apparatus to investigate such problems as the effects on bodily health and comfort of uneven temperature distribution, frequent and sudden changes of temperature and humidity, ionized air, drafts and long subjugations to high and low temperatures. These are merely suggestions of the wide range of problems which may be studied in the laboratory, which is now in full operation.

Although the laboratory is an independent institution, it is operated in affiliation with the Yale University School of Medicine, and its staff is composed of experts in medicine, physiology, psychology, engineering and physics:

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