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and bright intellect with original and fundamental ideas.

The few important studies which could be quoted here show Arthur Wagner as an investigator of critical

He died on April 12, 1942.—*V. Conrad, Harvard University.*

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#### Alexander Breese†, 1889-1944

Dr. Alexander Breese, assistant meteorologist in the Meteorological Physics Section of the Central Office of the Weather Bureau in Washington, died suddenly on May 20, 1944. He was born in Moscow, on January 29, 1889, and educated in Russia. Entering the Weather Bureau on July 1, 1929 at San Francisco (Lebec Airport), he subsequently served as assistant at Fresno and San Francisco and was transferred to the Central Office on August 10, 1942. At the time of his death he was engaged in special research on actinometry, a subject in which he took great interest. Through his familiarity with the Russian language, he was able to call attention of American meteorologists to many valuable contributions of Russian meteorologists, some of whom he corresponded with personally. A number of articles and reviews by him have appeared in the BULLETIN of the A. M. S. during the last dozen years. He was long a member of the Society and eagerly attended its meetings when feasible for him.

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#### John R. Weeks†, 1876-1944

Mr. John R. Weeks, official in charge of the Baltimore Weather Bureau station, died on March 24, 1944, after rendering more than 45 years of service. He was born at Kalamazoo, Mich., on February 3, 1876 and entered the Weather Bureau on April 16, 1898 at Vicksburg. He subsequently served as assistant at Montgomery, Helena, and Macon, and in charge at Fort Smith and Binghampton. He assumed charge of the Baltimore station on September 16, 1929. In addition to serving as climatological section director of the Weather Bureau, he was also the State Meteorologist of the Maryland Weather Service. His many special articles on climatology have been published in the *Monthly Weather Review* and also appeared as publications of the State of Maryland.—*Weather Bureau Topics and Personnel*, July 1944, p. 315.

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### ✧ Corrigenda ✧

**May, 1944**, p. 206, 1st col.: Author Fred C. Kelly has called my attention to an error in the computation of air density on the date of the Wright's first flight; namely, that it was only 6% and not 15% in excess of normal, and that in consequence, the first flight could easily have occurred in the strong wind experienced on Dec. 17, 1903 even if the air had been of normal density. In that case, the take off distance would have been 14% greater, or a total of 47 ft, which is appreciably less than, rather than nearly the same as, the 60 ft that was available.—*C. F. Brooks.*

**November, 1944**, p. 371, author's name should be "Ferrell".

**November Bulletin**, page 394, the date of the "Council Meeting, June 2, 1943", should be "1944".