Die Benutzung der Arbeitsplätze und sämtlicher Hilfsmittel der Station steht den russischen und ausländischen Forschern frei. Dieselben können unentgeltlich an der Station arbeiten und dürfen dort befindliche Apparate, Reagentien usw. benutzen. Bloß Zeichenmaterial, die gewöhnlichen Präparierinstrumente, Objektträger und Deckgläser liefert die Station nicht, auch ein eigenes Mikroskop muß als Regel ein jeder selbst mitbringen.

Das Personal der Station besteht aus dem Leiter, einem Laboranten, einem Präparator und mehreren Fischern und Aufwärtern. Mit der Oberleitung der Station ist eine Kommisson, bestehend aus 8 Personen, Mitgliedern der St. Petersburger Naturforschergesellschaft betraut. Die biologische Station verfügt über ein allgemeines Budget von 8500 Rubel (= 18000 Mk.).

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Some New American Biological Stations.

An increased interest in field biology in America has resulted in the establishment of three new biological stations and a laboratory for the study of mountain botany within the past few months. At present work will be carried on only during the summer months at three of the laboratories while at the fourth it will be continued during the entire year.

During its last session, the state legislature of North Dakota made an appropriation of five thousand dollars for the erection of a suitable laboratory building on Devils Lake in that state and also voted an annual appropriation of three thousand dollars for carrying on investigations on this and other lakes of the state, Devils Lake is about 19 kilometers long and has a maximum depth of 7.6 meters. For some years the area of the lake has been decreasing owing to the excess of evaporation over precipitation in that region. Its water is brackish and a detailed study of the lake should yield some interesting results. The laboratory has been annexed to the University of North Dakota.

The alumni of the University of Iowa have founded the Lakeside Laboratory on Lake Okoboji, Iowa. It is situated in the midst of a lake district and numerous other lakes possessing a rich and varied fauna and flora are within easy reach of the laboratory.

The University of Michigan has a summer station for instruction and research in biology in one of the lake districts of Michigan.

A summer laboratory for mountain botany has recently been located in the Rocky Mountains at Tolland, Colorado. It is situated at an altitude of 2,700 meters in a typical montane region. Snow-capped peaks on the one hand and the hot, arid plains on the other are easily reached from the laboratory, so that the region furnishes an unusually wide range of climatic conditions. The laboratory is an integral part of the University of Colorado.

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