Dr. V. M. SLIPHER, for a number of years chief assistant at the Lowell Observatory, Flagstaff, Arizona, has been promoted to the directorship of the observatory, succeeding the late Percival Lowell.

According to press dispatches from Berlin, the Prussian Minister of Education has announced to the Budget Committee of the Reichstag that 10,950 public-school teachers have fallen during the present European war and that their places have been taken by women.

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