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THE meeting of the section for organization was held in Cobb Hall of the University of Chicago on December 30 and 31, 1907, and January 1, 1908. The vice-president of the section, Olin H. Landreth, professor of civil engineering, Union University, acted as chairman of the section. Dr. George F. Swain, professor of civil engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was elected councilor. Mr. George W. Bissell, dean of engineering, and professor of mechanical engineering, Michigan Agricultural College, was elected a member of the general committee. Mr. Arthur H. Blanchard, associate professor of civil engineering, Brown University, was elected member of the sectional committee for five years. The secretary was elected press-secretary for the meeting.

At the meeting of the general committee on January 2, 1908, on the recommendation of the sectional committee, Dr. George F. Swain, professor of civil engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, was elected vice-president and chairman of the section for the ensuing year; and Mr. George W. Bissell, dean of engineering and professor of mechanical engineering, Michigan Agricultural College, was elected secretary for the next five years.

The first paper on the program was one by Arthur H. Blanchard, associate professor of civil engineering, Brown University, and was descriptive of the "Experi-