- not yet formulated. L. O. Howard, Secretary, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C.
- National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D. C. Bache Fund. \$56,000. For research in physical and natural science. Edwin B. Frost, Chairman, Yerkes Observatory, Williams Bay, Wis.
 - Watson Fund. \$25,000. For Watson Medal and astronomical research. Edward C. Pickering, Chairman, Harvard College Observatory, Cambridge, Mass.
 - Henry Draper Fund. \$10,000. For Draper
 Medal and researches in astronomical physics.
 George E. Hale, Chairman, Mt. Wilson Solar
 Observatory, Pasadena, Calif.
 - J. Lawrence Smith Fund. \$10,000. For J. Lawrence Smith Medal and the investigation of meteoric bodies. Edward W. Morley, Chairman, West Hartford, Conn.
 - Benjamin Apthorp Gould Fund. \$20,000. For researches in astronomy. Forest R. Moulton, Chairman, University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.
 - Wolcott Gibbs Fund. \$5,500. For chemical research. Charles L. Jackson, Chairman. Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.
 - Comstock Fund. \$11,300. For researches in electricity, magnetism and radiant energy. Edward L. Nichols, Chairman, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.
 - Murray Fund. \$6,000. For Agassiz Medal and contributions to oceanography. Arnold Hague, Chairman, National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D. C.
 - Marsh Fund. \$9,400. For research in natural science. Arthur L. Day, Secretary, National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D. C.
- Carnegie Institution, Washington, D. C. Endowment Fund. \$22,000,000. "To encourage in the broadest and most liberal manner, investigation, research and discovery, and the application of knowledge to the improvement of mankind." Robert S. Woodward, President, Washington, D. C.
- Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. Hodg-kins Fund. \$250,000. For investigations concerning atmospheric air. Charles D. Walcott, Secretary, Washington, D. C.
- Washington Academy of Sciences, Washington, D.
 C. Fund of \$5,000. Available in part for research. George K. Burgess, Secretary, Washington, D. C.

- Archeological Institute of America, Washington, D. C. Fund of \$25,000. For excavations in Mediterranean lands. Mitchell Carroll, Secretary, Washington, D. C.
- National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C. Research Fund. \$35,000. For exploration and geographical research. Gilbert A. Grosvenor, Secretary, Washington, D. C.

Charles R. Cross, Chairman

THE NEW YORK MEETING OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE

A MEETING of the members of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, residing in or near New York, was held at the American Museum of Natural History on Friday, May 5, at 5 p.m., to discuss plans for the New York meeting of the association in December. About fifty members were in attendance. Mr. Henry Fairfield Osborn was elected chairman and Mr. Henry E. Crampton secretary of the meeting.

The chairman called attention to the special interest of the forthcoming gathering as it involved an unusual number of scientific societies which were affiliated with the association. Called upon by the chairman to outline the present plans for the Convocation Week meetings, Mr. J. McK. Cattell stated that the committée on policy of the council had placed arrangements in the hands of an executive committee consisting of Messrs. Charles Baskerville, Nathaniel L. Britton, J. McKeen Cattell, Simon Flexner, Henry Fairfield Osborn, Michael I. Pupin, John J. Stevenson and Edmund B. Wilson. Certain details as yet unsettled were then presented for discussion by those in attendance, who represented the 1.350 local members of the association.

The cooperation of various institutions and scientific societies was tendered by Henry Fairfield Osborn, George F. Huntington, Alexander Smith, N. L. Britton, R. A. Wetzel, Charles L. Bristol, President Marsh, C. Stuart Gager and Professor Margaret B. Wilson. After discussion, it was *voted* that the executive committee be requested to consider the advisability of the appointment by the local

scientific societies and institutions of representative cooperating committees, and, if possible, to arrange for the establishment of such committees.

It was further voted that the executive committee invite each local member to contribute the sum of \$5 toward the general expenses of the Convocation Week meetings. It was voted to recommend to the executive committee that Columbia University be the general head-quarters of the meetings. The action of the executive committee appointing Mr. J. McKeen Cattell as local secretary was confirmed by vote. Finally it was voted to recommend to the executive committee that a reception committee be formed, to consist of both men and women, for the arrangement of such social activities as may be deemed desirable.

The meeting adjourned at 6.15 P.M.

HENRY E. CRAMPTON,

Acting Secretary

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

The Royal Society has elected as foreign members: Prince Boris Galitzin, head of the Russian Meteorological Service; Dr. C. L. A. Laveran, of Paris, discoverer of the malarial parasite; Dr. Johan Hjort, director of Norwegian Fisheries; Professor Jules Bordet, the bacteriologist of the University of Brussels, and Professor H. Kamerlingh-Onnes, professor of physics at Leyden.

Although obituary notices of Ivan P. Pawlow, the distinguished Russian physiologist, have been printed in the Journal of the American Medical Association, The Lancet, Das Umschau and other journals, it was noted in Science that there may have been confusion with E. W. Pawlow, court surgeon, who died in St. Petersburg on February 11. The Russian Embassy confirms the death of E. W. Pawlow, but can give no information concerning Ivan P. Pawlow. Dr. Francis G. Benedict now writes us that a letter from Madam Pawlow to Mrs. Benedict, received on May 4, and postmarked March 28, states that her husband had not been quite well through the winter. There is thus good reason to believe that the report of his death is incorrect.

Professor W. S. Thayer, of the Johns Hopkins University, gave the presidential address before the Congress of American Physicians at Washington, on May 9, his subject being "Teaching and Practise." We hope to have the privilege of printing this address in the next issue of Science.

The trustees of the Johns Hopkins University announce that the ninth course of lectures on the Herter Foundation will be given by Dr. Theobald Smith, director of the department of animal pathology, the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, on May 11, 12 and 15. The subject is "The Relation of Infectious and Immunizing Processes to the General Phenomenon of Parasitism."

Sir Almroth Wright, London, has been elected a foreign associate of the Paris Académie de Médecine.

Dr. Giuseppe Sergi, professor of anthropology in the University of Rome, has completed his seventy-fifth year. In honor of the occasion the Roman Anthropological Society has decided to publish a volume of memoirs.

At the annual meeting of the Iron and Steel Institute, on May 4, the Bessemer gold medal for 1916 was presented to Mr. F. W. Harbord.

The Howard Taylor Ricketts prize for research work done by students in the departments of pathology and bacteriology of the University of Chicago, which is awarded each year on May 3, the anniversary of Dr. Ricketts's death from typhus fever, has this year been awarded to Oscar J. Elsesser.

THE Walker prize of the Royal College of Surgeons (£100) has been awarded to Mr. W. S. Handley, of the Middlesex Hospital Cancer Research Laboratory, for his work on cancer.

At the annual meeting of the Marine Biological Association of the United Kingdom in the rooms of the Royal Society on April 12, Sir E. Ray Lankester was reelected president, and Dr. A. E. Shipley, chairman of council.

CAPTAIN E. F. DICKINS, former head of the New York office of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey, has been placed in charge of the San Francisco office as the successor of Captain Ferdinand Westdahl.