

School faculty, will discuss the situation in Europe.

Three other meetings are scheduled during the remainder of the college year. On Wednesday, March 9, a meeting will be held in the Law School and the subject for discussion will be "Statistical Methods." On Wednesday, May 25, the society will meet in the botanic gardens and discuss "Fertile Border Fields in Scientific Research." The final meeting of the year will be a joint meeting with Phi Beta Kappa in Houston Hall, on Monday, June 13.

The last meeting of the society was held on Tuesday, November 23, at the Art Alliance, 1823 Walnut Street. At that time there was an illustrated lecture on "Modern American illustrations," by Thornton Oakley, '06. Dr. Erwin F. Faber, the illustrator for the medical department, spoke on "Scientific illustration." Dr. Clarence E. McClung, head of the zoological department spoke on "What a scientific illustration should contain." Dr. McClung was recently made national president of the Sigma Xi for a period of two years. Dr. McClung was on leave of absence from the university last year engaged in some special investigation for the government.

#### FIRST MEETING OF THE CELLULOSE SECTION AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

At the cellulose symposium held by the Industrial Division of the American Chemical Society at the meeting in Chicago last September, it was voted to form a permanent Cellulose Section. Following the meeting the necessary steps for organization were taken, and President Noyes appointed Professor Harold Hibbert, of Yale University, chairman of the new section with Gustavus J. Esselen, Jr., secretary. One of the objects of the section is to provide an opportunity for those interested in the practical application of cellulose to get together with those concerned with the more strictly scientific aspects of cellulose chemistry and to afford an opportunity for discussion which should prove mutually helpful.

An interesting program is being arranged for the first meeting of the new section in con-

nection with the meeting of the American Chemical Society in Rochester, N. Y., beginning on April 26. Those having papers which they would like to present before the section are requested to send title and abstract before April first to the secretary, who may be addressed, care Arthur D. Little, Inc., 30 Charles River Road, Cambridge, 39, Massachusetts.

G. J. ESSELEN, JR.,  
*Secretary*

#### FORESTRY LEGISLATION BY THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT

HEARINGS on the national forestry program bill, which calls for the expenditure of \$11,000,000 a year for the protection and development of forests, were begun on January 7, before the subcommittee on appropriations of which Representative Anderson is chairman.

Newspaper publishers, paper manufactures, lumbermen, timberland owners wood-using industries, the United States Forest Service and the American Forestry Association were represented.

One million dollars a year for cooperating with the states in protecting the forests from fire, and \$10,000,000 a year for securing additional forest land for the government is being asked as a forward step in the endeavor to secure sufficient lumber and paper pulp for future needs.

R. S. Kellogg, chairman of the national forest program committee, has made the following statement:

This is a paper age, and in the United States, at least, a newspaper age. From an annual consumption of three pounds of news print paper per capita in 1880 we have gone to thirty-five pounds in 1920. The news print paper produced in the United States and Canada this year, if put in the form of a standard roll seventy-three inches wide, such as is used by many of the large newspapers, would unwind 13,000,000 miles. Our daily papers have a circulation in excess of 28,000,000 copies, and there are more than 100 dailies between the Atlantic and Pacific whose circulation exceeds 100,000 copies, and some of them have several times that number.

The proposed legislation has been indorsed by the National Lumber Manufacturers' Asso-