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#### THE JOURNAL OF PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY

As a result of action by the council the *Journal of Physical Chemistry* is to be published under the auspices of three great English-speaking chemical societies—the American Chemical Society, the Chemical Society at London and Faraday Society of Great Britain. Action by the Council of the American Chemical Society at the Pittsburgh meeting completed plans for this step, which is hailed by leading chemists as a fine recognition by the two conservative British groups of the high quality of the work of American chemists, and an important advance in the science of chemistry.

The action is the result of the recent visit of Dr. Charles L. Parsons, secretary of the American Chemical Society, to England, where he had a conference with officials of the Chemical Society of London in regard to the internationalization of this journal, of which professor Wilder D. Bancroft of Cornell University is editor.

The following conditions were agreed to:

1. In future the *Journal of Physical Chemistry* shall be under the joint auspices of the American Chemical Society and the Chemical Society,<sup>1</sup> neither society, however, being financially liable in any way.

2. The control of the *Journal* shall be exercised by a board, consisting of eight members, four being nominated by the American Chemical Society and four by the Chemical Society. These members to be appointed for a term of two years, except that one half shall go off each year, those who retire the first year to be determined by lot. No member of the board shall serve continuously more than four years.

3. The eight members of the board will elect an editor-in-chief, who shall have an equal voice on the board, except on the question of election

<sup>1</sup> Later the Faraday Society became one of the parties of the agreement and will appoint one member of the board of editors.

of the editor-in-chief, on which matter he shall not vote.

4. The lines on which the *Journal* will be run shall be left entirely in the hands of the said board.

5. It is suggested that the board shall appoint also a managing editor, who shall be responsible to the board for the business management of the *Journal*.

6. The board shall report annually to each of the societies under the auspices of which the *Journal* is published.

7. The *Journal* shall be offered to members of the American Chemical Society and to fellows of the Chemical Society at reduced subscription rates.

Dr. Parsons also reported to the council that Francis P. Garvan, president of the Chemical Foundation, had guaranteed \$10,000 annually for five years for publication work. "This guarantee I make on behalf of the Chemical Foundation," Mr. Garvan wrote, "but if the funds of the Chemical Foundation prove inadequate, I will make good the guarantee personally."

#### CHEMICAL PRIZE ESTABLISHED BY THE ALLIED CHEMICAL AND DYE CORPORATION

A PRIZE of \$25,000 to be awarded annually to a chemist in the United States for contributions to chemistry was announced by the Allied Chemical and Dye Corporation of New York, in a letter read by Dr. Edgar F. Smith, president of the American Chemical Society, at a council meeting which opened the sixty-fourth annual meeting of the society at Pittsburgh on September 6. The letter from Dr. Wm. H. Nichols, chairman of the corporation, is as follows:

Confirming our interview yesterday, it gives me great pleasure to state that the Allied Chemical and Dye Corporation desires to institute an annual prize of \$25,000 to reward the chemist residing in the United States, who in the opinion of a properly constituted jury has contributed most to the benefit of the science and of the world. Realizing, as we do, the enormous influence which chemists working in all the fields of that science will have on the welfare of the world, we desire by this prize to so encourage the workers that even larger benefits should accrue than