

those which have already placed the world under such a debt of gratitude to the profession.

We desire that you should make this announcement at such time and place as you shall deem best, and to take such steps as may be necessary to carry the matter into effect beginning with the year 1923. We assume that a committee, of which you will be chairman, will be appointed by you to consider and suggest the rules governing the selection each year of the chemist who is deemed most worthy.

We also assume that this committee would provide for the appointment of a jury to decide annually who should be the recipient. We would be glad, if the committee would arrange the selection of this jury so that this company would have the appointment of two members, it being understood that neither of those members should be connected with the company.

We do not desire to limit the gift to any particular field of chemistry, recognizing as we do the importance of them all.

As the American Chemical Society is by far the largest organization of chemists, and represents every field of the science in its membership, we have thought it better to work through that society, although not limiting the gift to its members. Our sole desire is to encourage chemists everywhere in our country to do even more than they have been doing for the general good.

We have not gone into details, as we value greatly the opinions of those who would naturally be asked to serve on the committee, and do not desire to trammel them in their deliberations.

#### MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AND THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE

Members of the American Medical Association who are not now members of the American Association for the Advancement of Science have been invited to become members without the payment of the usual five-dollar entrance fee. This special invitation has been voted by the executive committee of the American Association for the Advancement of Science because of the fact that it is practically impossible for the permanent secretary's office to send an individual invitation offering this privilege to each new member of the American Medical Association each year, as is done in the case of the other scientific societies affiliated

with the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Members of the American Medical Association who are interested in this invitation are requested to write to the permanent secretary's office, Smithsonian Institution Building, Washington, D. C. They will thus secure a special invitation and a booklet of information regarding the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

BURTON E. LIVINGSTON  
*Permanent Secretary.*

#### SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE Association of German Scientific Men and Physicians holds its hundredth meeting at Leipzig from September 18 to 24. One of the public addresses is by Professor Albert Einstein.

THE Swiss Scientific Society held its one hundred and third annual meeting at Berne from August 24 to 27. According to the program as quoted in *Nature*, the general addresses included the following: "The trend of modern physics," Dr. C. E. Buye (Geneva); "The nature of the so-called general neuroses," Professor Sahli (Berne); "The Aar Massif—an example of Alpine granitic intrusion," Dr. E. Hugli (Berne); "The natural form of substances as a physical problem," Dr. V. Kohlschütter (Berne); "Experimental genetics in regard to the law of variation" (illustrated by lantern slides), Dr. A. Pictet (Geneva); and "Investigations into the physiology of Alpine plants," Dr. G. Senn (Bale).

At the Pittsburgh meeting of the American Chemical Society Dr. C. L. Parsons was unanimously reelected secretary of the society. The editors of the society's journals were unanimously reelected, namely: *Chemical Abstracts*: E. J. Crane. *Journal of the American Chemical Society*: A. B. Lamb. *Industrial and Engineering Chemistry*: H. E. Howe. Dr. W. A. Noyes was elected editor of *Scientific Monographs*. The advisory committee named H. E. Howe as successor to Dr. Johnson, who resigned as editor of *Technologic Monographs*.

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