

Zeitschrift an extraordinary service and it might perhaps be possible to keep it alive. For our common strivings in the field of practical geology it would be calamitous if this *Zeitschrift*, after so long existence, was now compelled to go under through financial difficulties. It is a good medium for scientific publication so that authors also would suffer through the passing of the publication. For your efforts in the interest of this matter, I pledge my highest thanks.

SIGMA XI AT THE UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

THE thirty-eighth chapter of Sigma Xi, to be known as the Idaho Chapter, was installed at the University of Idaho on June 5. Fifteen active members, who were elected to the society while connected with other educational institutions, composed the petitioning group.

The installation exercises were conducted by Dr. Henry B. Ward and Dr. Edward Ellery, president and secretary of the national society. The charge to the chapter was delivered by Dean Ellery and the symposium was conducted by Dr. Ward. Eighteen science men who were formerly associated with the University of Idaho Sigma Xi Club were invited to attend the installation ceremonies. Several active members of the Washington State College faculty were also in attendance.

The following officers were elected: *President*, Dr. J. E. Wodsdalek; *vice-president*, Dr. M. F. Angell; *secretary*, Dr. Henry Schmitz; *treasurer*, Professor C. E. Behre.

A formal banquet was held in the evening at Lindley Hall, University Campus. Among one hundred guests of the chapter were Dr. Ward, Dean Ellery, Dr. A. H. Upham, president of the university; Dr. E. A. Bryan, commissioner of education of Idaho; Miss Ethel Redfield, state superintendent of public instruction; Dr. Melander, of Washington State College; members of the Idaho Board of Regents, the associate members of the former Idaho Sigma Xi Club, and the deans and heads of the arts and letters divisions of the university. Dr. J. E. Wodsdalek acted as toastmaster and toasts were responded to by Dr. Ward, Dean Ellery, President Upham and Commissioner Bryan.

The installation took place during com-

mencement week. Dean Ellery delivered the baccalaureate sermon and Dr. Ward gave the commencement address. Dean Ellery's subject was "The hills of human help," while that of Dr. Ward was "The struggle of man with wild life in North America."

THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN GEOGRAPHERS

THE annual meeting of the association, in connection with the Geological Society of America, will be held at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, by invitation of the regents of the university, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, December 27, 28 and 29, beginning on Wednesday at 1:30 P.M.

The president's address will be given at the opening of the session Thursday afternoon and will be followed by a series of invited papers. Later in the afternoon, by special invitation, the association will visit an exhibit of rare maps belonging to Mr. William S. Clements, a regent of the university.

Sessions will be held in the natural science building where exhibition and smoking rooms are available. Members desiring to exhibit papers, maps, etc., should inform Professor C. A. Sauer in advance.

The arrangements include:

Round table conference (open to members and invited guests), Wednesday evening, December 27.

Smoker tendered by the regents of the university, Thursday evening, December 28.

Luncheon, as guests of the university, Friday noon, December 29.

A joint meeting for physiography papers with the Geological Society of America.

The secretary will be glad to receive the names of non-members to whom the preliminary program should be sent. All interested in geography, or any of its allied subjects, are welcomed at the program sessions of the association.

HARLAN H. BARROWS,
President

RICHARD E. DODGE,
Secretary

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