

stated that they would actively back a national campaign for headlight adjustment, and some states already have such campaigns under way. Action of this sort should be given all possible support, since proper road lighting will not only reduce the number of accidents, but will make night driving more agreeable. If headlights are adjusted now, a mass of restrictive legislation will be avoided later on.

### PROFESSOR COOLEY AND THE ENGINEERING COUNCIL

THE resignation of Mortimer E. Cooley, dean of the College of Engineering and Architecture of the University of Michigan, as president of the American Engineering Council of the Federated American Engineering Societies, was announced at the opening session of a two-day meeting of the Executive Board of the Council held in Rochester, N. Y., October 12.

Dean Cooley, in presenting his resignation to the board, said that he retires on account of ill health. He also made it known that he has been granted leave of absence by the University of Michigan for the second half of the academic year 1923-1924. The executive board adopted a resolution expressing regret that Dean Cooley is forced by ill health to relinquish the presidency of the Federation. The resolution, the adoption of which followed the expression of tributes by leading members of the board, and which was in the nature of an address to Dean Cooley, follows:

Every member of the Executive Board of the American Engineering Council whose deliberations you have led and guided for the past two years listened with the deepest regret to your announcement of the necessity of laying down the duties of the office of president of the Federated American Engineering Societies at the close of this year. Could any reassurance of our support of you and your policies have changed that decision, such assurance would have been at once unanimously tendered.

You took the responsibilities and burdens of our leadership at a most trying hour and in our behalf you have sacrificed both time and health.

With a life-time already devoted to the unification and upbuilding of our profession, you were our outstanding choice to assume the responsibilities of the guidance of our policies. Our faith in you has been more than justified. Coming to us at a time when our organization was almost unknown and of little influence, through your personal prestige and because of your clear vision of the possibilities of service and achievement by a united profession, the Federated Societies have now reached an unassailable position of dignity, respect and public confidence.

For all this and for the steadfastness with which you have revealed your vision to us and to our profession, we thank you.

Though consoled by your promise to still be with the work of the Federated Societies, we shall miss your leadership and something more. Your geniality has been

infectious, your sense of humor has relieved many a potentially critical situation, your optimism has brushed aside many difficulties, but above all your personality has drawn us to you and inspired affection. And we shall always be eager for your advice and counsel.

### SOCIETIES MEETING AT CINCINNATI

THE following named societies have informed the Washington office of the American Association for the Advancement of Science that they will hold sessions at the approaching Cincinnati meeting, next convocation week. The names and addresses of their secretaries are also given below:

*American Mathematical Society* (Chicago Section)

Arnold Dresden, 2114 Vilas St., Madison, Wis.

*Mathematical Association of America*

W. D. Cairns, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.

*American Physical Society*

Harold W. Webb, Columbia University, New York, N. Y.

*American Meteorological Society*

Charles F. Brooks, Clark University, Worcester, Mass.

*Association of American Geographers*

Richard E. Dodge, Connecticut Agricultural College, Storrs, Conn.

*National Council of Geography Teachers*

George J. Miller, State Teachers College, Mankato, Minn.

*American Society of Zoologists*

W. C. Allee, University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.

*Entomological Society of America*

C. L. Metcalf, University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.

*American Association of Economic Entomologists*

Albert F. Burgess, Melrose Highlands, Mass.

*Wilson Ornithological Club*

Gordon Wilson, 1434 Chestnut St., Bowling Green, Ky.

*Botanical Society of America*

I. F. Lewis, University, Va.

*American Phytopathological Society*

R. J. Haskell, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

*American Society of Naturalists*

A. Franklin Shull, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

*Ecological Society of America*

A. O. Weese, James Millikin University, Decatur, Ill.

*American Microscopical Society*

Paul S. Welch, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

*American Nature-Study Society*

Anne Botsford Comstock, 123 Roberts Place, Ithaca, N. Y.

*Metric Association*

Howard Richards, 156 Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

*American Society of Agronomy*

P. E. Brown, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

*American Society for Horticultural Science*

C. P. Close, College Park, Md.

*Potato Association of America*

William Stuart, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.