

of the by-laws proposed for the new division; granting of a charter for the formation of a North Jersey Section of the society; reference of the proposed amendment to article 8 of the constitution of the society, making it possible to omit a general meeting when deemed advisable, to the membership; authorizing publication of the proceedings of local sections of the society in the *News Edition* in place of the *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, where they are now published; authorizing the elimination of addresses of new members of the society when their names are published and referring to their location according to the local section with which they are affiliated.

THE WASHINGTON MEETING OF THE AMERICAN PHYSICAL SOCIETY

THE one hundred and thirty-third regular meeting of the American Physical Society will be held in Washington, D. C., at the Bureau of Standards on Friday and Saturday, April 24 and 25. The first session will be at 10 o'clock on Friday morning. This session and the Saturday afternoon session will be held in the lecture room of the East Building. On Friday afternoon and Saturday morning there will be sessions in both the lecture room of the East Building and the lecture room of the Industrial Building.

Titles and abstracts of the papers to be presented are published in advance in the Bulletin of the society. These abstracts have not been corrected by the authors. After correction, they will be published in an early number of the *Physical Review*. There are 71 papers on the program of the Washington meeting.

On Friday evening there will be a dinner for members of the society and their friends at the Raleigh Hotel at 6:30 P. M. The price per person will be \$2.50.

The one hundred and thirty-fourth regular meeting of the society will be held in Portland, Oregon, on June 19, 1925, in affiliation with the Pacific division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Members intending to present papers at this meeting should have titles and abstracts ready for publication, in the hands of the local secretary for the Pacific Coast, D. L. Webster, Stanford University, California, not later than Saturday, May 16. Other meetings for the current seasons are as follows:

135. November 27-28, 1925. Chicago.

136. December 28-31, 1925, Kansas City. Annual meeting.

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THE WISTAR INSTITUTE OF ANATOMY AND BIOLOGY

THE twentieth anniversary of the organization of the advisory board of the Wistar Institute of Anatomy and Biology was celebrated at the buildings of the institute in Philadelphia on April 13. At a morning session Mr. Effingham B. Morris, president of the institute, presided and the following program was presented:

The Wistar Institute and its advisory board: DR. M. J. GREENMAN, director of The Wistar Institute.

Research at The Wistar Institute: DR. H. H. DONALDSON, professor of neurology at The Wistar Institute.

The publications of The Wistar Institute: DR. G. CARL HUBER, professor of anatomy and director of the Anatomical Institute at the University of Michigan, and DR. M. J. GREENMAN.

Changes in methods of biological research as pursued by museums and the possibilities of the future: DR. C. E. McCLUNG, professor of zoology and director of the zoological laboratory at the University of Pennsylvania.

The relation to medicine of institutes of anatomical research: DR. LEWELLYS F. BARKER, professor emeritus of medicine at the Johns Hopkins University.

Luncheon was served at the institute followed by an inspection of the museum and laboratories. In the evening there was a dinner at the Hotel Bellevue-Stratford, at which addresses were made by Professor Charles R. Stockard, of the Cornell Medical School, representing the Society of American Anatomists, and Professor Maynard M. Metcalf, chairman of the Division of Biology and Agriculture of the National Research Council, representing the American Society of Zoologists.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE hundredth anniversary of the birth of Thomas Henry Huxley occurs on May 4. Huxley was born at Ealing and died at Eastbourne on June 29, 1895.

M. PAUL PAINLEVÉ, the mathematician, who succeeds M. Herriot as premier in France, holds the pro-