

man's origin and early biological history. I have reason to believe that when any one in this country digs up a bone his first instinct (subject to the intervention of the police) is to send it to Sir Arthur Keith. You are to hear from him an address on Darwinism as it stands today—a subject of perennial interest, and more than once one of warm controversy at our own meetings. The occasion of the presidential address does not (I am thankful to say) lend itself to controversy, but the warmth I am sure you will supply in your welcome to Sir Arthur Keith, and, meeting as you are in Leeds, that warmth will be increased by the traditional quality of Yorkshire hospitality.

### THE FIFTH INTERNATIONAL GENETICS CONGRESS

As has already been recorded here, the Fifth International Genetics Congress will be held in Berlin from September 11 to 17, with headquarters at the University of Berlin. The general program will begin with a visit to the Zoological Gardens at five o'clock on Sunday afternoon and a reception at seven at the restaurant in the gardens. Following is the program of general sessions for the week:

*Monday, September 12*—Opening session (Address of welcome, Election of the Presiding Committee). Address: R. v. Wettstein, Vienna: Das Problem der Evolution. Evening: Informal reception by the Reichsregierung and the Preussische Staatsregierung.

*Tuesday, September 13*—General meeting. Addresses by R. Pearl, Baltimore: Eugenics; O. Rosenberg, Stockholm: Speziesbildung mit Vervielfältigung von Chromosomen, and H. Federley, Helsingfors: Chromosomenverhältnisse bei Mischlingen. Evening: Reception by the Municipal Government of Berlin, in the Rathaus.

*Wednesday, September 14*—General meeting. Addresses by A. Pézard, Paris: Hormones sexuelles et hérédité mendélienne chez les Gallinacés; N. I. Vavilov, Leningrad: Geographische Genzentren der kultivierten Pflanzen, and A. F. Blakeslee, Cold Spring Harbor: Genetics of Datura. Evening: Special performances in the Staatlichen Opernhaus and the Städtischen Oper.

*Thursday, September 15*—General meeting. Addresses by C. Correns, Dahlem: Nichtmendelnde Vererbung; H. J. Muller, Austin: The problem of genic modification, and H. Winkler, Hamburg: Zur Theorie der Crossing-over-Erscheinungen. Afternoon: Visit to the institutes at Dahlem.

*Friday, September 16*—General meeting. Addresses by F. A. E. Crew, Edinburgh: Organization and function of an animal-breeding research department, and J. Seiler, München: Die Geschlechtschromosomenfrage. Afternoon: Excursion to Potsdam and Sanssouci.

*Saturday, September 17*—Business meeting to determine the next meeting-place and to elect the committee for the preparation of the next congress. Evening: Closing dinner in the Zoologischer Garten.

Divisional meetings have been arranged as follows:

(1) General Genetics, with 57 papers; (2) Cytology

and Genetics, with 20 papers; (3) Genetics of cultivated plants, with 16 papers; (4) Genetics of domestic animals, with 8 papers; (5) Human Genetics, with 15 papers, and (6) Eugenics, with 9 papers.

Americans contributing to the congress are: Dr. Chas. B. Davenport, Dr. E. C. MacDowell, Dr. M. Demerec, Dr. A. M. Banta and Dr. Th. R. Wood, of Cold Spring Harbor; Professor H. E. Crampton and Dr. L. J. Stadler, of Columbia University; Professor E. M. East, of Harvard University; Professor W. H. Eyster, of the University of Maine; Professor E. W. Lindstrom, of Iowa State College; Professor F. B. Hanson, of Washington University; Professor G. H. Shull, of Princeton University; Professor Charles Zeleny, of the University of Illinois; Professor R. E. Cleland, of Goucher College; Dr. K. Sax, of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station; Professor N. E. Hansen, of the South Dakota College; Professor Leon J. Cole, of the University of Wisconsin; Dr. L. C. Dunn, of the Connecticut Agricultural College; Dr. W. S. Anderson, of the University of Kentucky; Professor R. E. Clausen, of the University of California; Dr. C. J. Lynch, of the Rockefeller Institute; Dr. P. W. Whiting, of Boston; Dr. O. E. White, of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden; Professor Raymond Pearl, of the Johns Hopkins University; Professor A. F. Blakeslee, of Cold Spring Harbor; Professor H. J. Muller, of the University of Texas.

Several excursions of special interest to geneticists are planned at the conclusion of the congress.

### THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

THE American Chemical Society will hold its seventy-fourth meeting at Detroit, beginning on September 5.

The general program is as follows:

#### *Monday, September 5*

10:00 A.M.—Registration, Lobby of Ball Room, Statler Hotel.

2:00 P.M.—Council Meeting (continued in evening if necessary).

8:30 P.M.—Informal Reception and Dance.

#### *Tuesday, September 6*

11:00 A.M.—General Meeting, Statler Hotel Ball Room. Addresses of Welcome:

In the name of the Detroit Section: L. W. Rowe, Chairman, Detroit Section.

In the name of the City: Mayor John Smith.

Response:

George D. Rosengarten, President, American Chemical Society.

1:30 P.M.—Ladies' trip to Bonstelle Playhouse.

2:00 P.M.—General Divisional Meetings:

Agricultural and Food, Biological, Chemistry of Medicinal Products, and Dye Divisions.