Project further down-river and the El Vado dam site for the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy Districts. The remaining time will be given up to physiographic studies in the basin of the Rio Grande under a grant from the Shaler Memorial Fund.

Professor L. C. Graton plans to enlist the services of his advanced students in his geological work in Canada. Professor D. H. McLaughlin, who will resume his study of the geology of the Homestake Mine in South Dakota, will be assisted by S. C. Davidson, and J. K. Gustafson, Austin teaching fellow in physiography. H. J. Fraser, assistant in geology, will devote the summer to research with Professor Graton on the permeability of rocks to mineralizing solutions. The research is financed by mining interests of Northern Rhodesia, South Africa.

P. A. Schafer, assistant in meteorology and geology, will return to Canada for a second summer of investigations for one of the mineral exploration companies. H. A. Powers, instructor in petrography, who will leave the staff of the division to join the U. S. Geological Survey, has been assigned to map the geology of the island of Hawaii. He will work in conjunction with Dr. T. A. Jaggar, who was at one time a member of the division. Russell Gibson, instructor in economic geology, expects to resume his work in the west with the U. S. Geological Survey. R. T. D. Wickenden, assistant in geology and paleontology, will be an assistant with field parties of the Geological Survey of Canada, working on Cretaceous and Pleistocene deposits of Manitoba.

COMMITTEES OF THE AMERICAN ENGI-NEERING COUNCIL

ANNOUNCEMENT of the membership of committees of the American Engineering Council, which will work with Congress and the Federal Administration in shaping public policies involving vast engineering operations, has been made by Arthur W. Berresford, of New York, president of the council. The council was organized in 1919 under the headship of Herbert Hoover.

D. Robert Yarnall, manufacturer of Philadelphia, has been appointed chairman of the Public Affairs Committee. Mr. Yarnall is a representative on the council of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Public questions affecting engineers generally will come before this committee, the other members of which are:

J. L. Hamilton, St. Louis.

John Lyle Harrington, Kansas City, Mo.

H. A. Kidder, New York City.
W. S. Lee, Charlotte, N. C.
R. C. Marshall, Jr., Chicago.
R. F. Schuchardt, Philadelphia.
Charles Penrose, Philadelphia.
C. E. Skinner, East Pittsburgh, Pa.
Max Toltz, St. Paul, Minn.

Edwin F. Wendt, Washington, D. C.

A new committee on communications has been named to study proposed legislation for federal supervision of such means of communication as radio, telephone and telegraph. Bills by Senator Watson of Indiana and Senator Couzens of Michigan are now pending which contemplate the establishment of a Federal Communications Commission analogous to the Interstate Commerce Commission, and the Council's Communications Committee, headed by Edwin F. Wendt, will study the fundamental questions raised by the Watson and Couzens bills. Other members of the Communications Committee are:

O. H. Caldwell, New York, federal radio commissioner. Dean Dexter S. Kimball, Cornell University. Frank A. Scott, Cleveland.

Charles B. Hawley, Washington, D. C.

Another committee is that on flood control, of which Gardner S. Williams of Ann Arbor, Mich., is chairman. The committees, according to Mr. Berresford, are already at work and at a meeting of the council's administrative board, to be held in Washington in October, will submit reports reflecting the engineering attitude toward legislation arising at the next session of Congress.

Chairmen of other committees of the council were announced as follows:

Power-Farley Osgood, New York.

- Reforestation—William Boss, University of Minnesota. Street and Highway Safety—M. M. Fowler, Chicago.
- Recent Economic Changes—Dean Dexter S. Kimball,
- Cornell University.

Engineering and Allied Technical Professions-H. C. Morris, Washington, D. C.

- Regional Activities-O. H. Koch, Dallas, Texas.
- Program of Research-Dr. Harrison E. Howe, Washington, D. C.
- Man-Hour Information-L. P. Alford, New York.
- Patents-Edwin J. Prindle, New York.
- National Hydraulic Laboratory—Farley Osgood, New York.
- Washington Potomac Canal-D. H. Sawyer, Washington, D. C.
- Finance-John H. Finney, Washington, D. C.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

AT the meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, now being held in Cape Town, the South Africa Research medal, founded in commemoration of the visit of the association to South Africa in 1905, will be presented to Dr. Robert Broom for his archeological and anthropological researches.