

State and Federal provision for the care of the mentally ill will be discussed by Dr. Walter L. Treadway, assistant surgeon general of the United States Public Health Service, and Dr. Samuel W. Hamilton, of White Plains, New York; Dr. Allen Jackson, of Danville, Pennsylvania; Dr. George S. Stevenson, of the National Committee for Mental Hygiene, New York, and Dr. Lawson G. Lowrey, director of the Institute for Child Guidance, New York, will speak on the mental hygiene movement.

Dr. Clarence M. Hincks, director of national committees for mental hygiene in the United States and Canada, will describe the work of the organizations. The relationship of mental health to medical education will be discussed by Dr. Franklin G. Ebaugh, of Denver; Dr. C. Macfie Campbell, of Boston, and Dr. H. Douglas Singer, of Chicago.

Among those who will speak on the licensing of physicians to practice medicine at a meeting of the Federation of State Medical Boards in conjunction with the congress will be Sol Ullman, Deputy Attorney General of New York State. Mr. Ullman will talk on the control of unlicensed practitioners. Dr. Frederick C. Warnshuis, of Detroit, will speak on "Who Shall Be Permitted to Continue the Practice of Medicine?" Other speakers on kindred topics will be Drs. William Jepson, of Sioux City, Iowa; Walter F. Donaldson, of Pittsburgh, and H. M. Platter, of Columbus, Ohio.

Four sessions of the congress will be devoted to various problems in the teaching of medicine. The speakers will include Dr. Charles P. Emerson, Dean of the Indiana University School of Medicine, Indianapolis; Dr. Wilburt C. Davison, Dean of Duke University School of Medicine, Durham, N. C.; Dr. Willard C. Rappleye, newly appointed Dean of Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons; Dr. William J. Mayo, of Rochester, Minnesota; Dr. Clifford C. Grulee, of Chicago, and Dr. James S. McLester, of Birmingham, Alabama.

The training of internes, hospitals and the law, and

special facilities for caring for convalescents will be discussed at three sessions.

MEETING OF GEOLOGISTS AT TORONTO

THE forty-third annual meeting of the Geological Society of America and its affiliated societies, the Paleontological Society and the Mineralogical Society of America, was held at the University of Toronto, on December 29, 30 and 31.

The meeting was one of the largest in the history of the society, 519 persons being registered. Ninety-six scientific papers were presented before the Geological Society, and the programs of the affiliated societies were also crowded.

The address of the retiring president, Dr. R. A. F. Penrose, Jr., "Geology as an Agent in Human Welfare," was delivered the evening of December 29 at the Royal York Hotel, and was followed by a special entertainment provided by the Toronto hosts. The annual dinner was held in the Great Hall of Hart House at the university, on the thirtieth. The third award of the Penrose Medal of the Geological Society of America was made at the annual dinner, the medal being accepted by M. Rochereau de le Sablière, French consul at Toronto, in the absence of the recipient, Professor François Antoine Alfred Lacroix, of the Natural History Museum, Paris.

The officers of the society for the year 1931 are:

President—Alfred C. Lane.

Vice-presidents—Thomas L. Walker, Henry B. Kummel, Edgar R. Cumings, Alexander H. Phillips.

Secretary—Charles P. Berkey.

Treasurer—Edward B. Mathews.

Editor—Joseph Stanley-Brown.

Councilors—Herdman F. Cleland, Elwood S. Moore, W. C. Mendenhall, W. J. Mead, Sidney Powers, Donnel F. Hewett.

Representative of the Cordilleran Section—Eliot Blackwelder.

Announcement was made of the election of 28 new fellows and five additional foreign correspondents.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

DR. WILLIAM H. WELCH was the guest of honor at a dinner at the Maryland Club, Baltimore, on January 29, at which a specially bound copy of a memorial volume, recounting the world-wide celebration of his eightieth birthday, was presented by Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. The book is titled "William Henry Welch at Eighty" and contains the special inscription: "Dr. Welch, this is the first copy of a book which has been made for remembrance. It is a token of affection from friends who desire that posterity may read the story of the day when you were eighty."

Dr. William G. MacCallum presented Dr. Welch with a specially designed scrap-book containing more than 3,000 clippings of press notices about the eightieth birthday celebration. Dr. William H. Howell presented a volume bearing congratulatory messages. Mr. John A. Kingsbury, secretary of the Milbank Memorial Fund, presented a volume which contained tributes to Dr. Welch from universities and societies of medicine all over the world. Dr. Simon Flexner presided. Reports of the celebrations in honor of Dr. Welch's eightieth birthday on April 8 and subse-