

The Carnegie Corporation, on the recommendation of the American Association for Adult Education, has endorsed the project through a grant of \$1,500. A joint conference committee of Columbia and Stevens graduates has been formed on which Columbia is represented by Professor James K. Finch, of the Columbia University faculty; Mr. Lindsay H. Welling, of A. Iselin & Company, and Mr. Edward C. Meagher, of the Texas Gulf Sulphur Company; and Stevens is represented by Mr. Robert C. Post, of Post & McCord; Mr. Walter Kidde, of the Walter Kidde Construction Company, and Mr. Thomas W. Kirkman, of the Kirkman Engineering Corporation.

The camp where the Economic Conference is to be held is the Engineering Camp of Stevens Institute of Technology, near Johnsonburg, Warren County, New Jersey. It is a 370-acre tract, varied in topography within which is a 30-acre lake. The lake with two 90 ft. piers affords excellent opportunity for swimming and water sports. There are two athletic fields offering opportunity for soccer, volley ball, baseball, basket-ball, lacrosse and other sports. The camp buildings, constructed last summer when the camp was opened for freshman surveying work, include sixteen residence cabins scattered through the woods, an administration building, and a mess hall which accommodates 170 men. All camp buildings are built along modern lines with regard to the problems of sanitation and comfort and are electrically lighted. The camp water is supplied by an artesian well 218 feet deep.

#### THE ECOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA

THE Ecological Society of America will hold a summer meeting this year, participating in the first national meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science to be held on the Pacific coast.

The meeting will be at the California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California, from June 15 to 20, inclusive. The sessions of the Ecological Society of America will be held on the mornings of Wednesday and Thursday, June 17 and 18. The afternoons of the meeting are to be devoted mainly to informal discussions and field excursions. Several field trips under the leadership of specialists have been planned to afford opportunities for seeing something of the plant and animal communities of especial interest, and also for the inspection of various ecological installations for experimental investigations.

There will be a dinner for ecologists at the Hotel Constance in Pasadena on Friday evening, June 19, preceding the lecture at the Greek Theater in Griffith Park, Los Angeles, the same evening.

Those intending to present papers at the sessions of the Ecological Society of America should send in

the title, author's name, time for delivery, institution represented, facilities required, and a short abstract (not more than 200 words), to the secretary of the society for the Pasadena meeting, Dr. H. de Forest, 3551 University Avenue, Los Angeles, before May 20.

At one of the two sessions of the society there is to be a general, informal discussion of ecological problems of the Pacific coast region.

#### THE CENTENARY MEETING OF THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE

THE preliminary program of the centenary meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, which will be held in London from September 23 to 30, has now been issued.

On Wednesday, September 23, in the Albert Hall (Faraday Centenary Exhibition) at 3:00 P. M., the Right Honorable J. C. Smuts will assume the presidency of the association in succession to Professor F. O. Bower, and will receive the invited delegates of societies and institutions, and of universities, colleges and cities in which the association has held meetings in the past.

On the same day, in the Central Hall, Westminster, at 9:00 P. M., the presidential address will be delivered by General Smuts. The address will be relayed to other halls if necessary. Admission will be by special ticket, for which members will be given the opportunity to apply in advance.

Evening discourses to the members will be given by the following lecturers: Thursday, September 24. Professor W. A. Bone, F.R.S. (on The Photographic Analysis of Explosion Flames); Sir P. Chalmers Mitchell, F.R.S. Saturday, September 26. Sir Arthur Keith, F.R.S.; Sir Oliver Lodge, F.R.S. (A Retrospect of Wireless Communication). Tuesday, September 29. Sir William Hardy, F.R.S.; Sir James Jeans, F.R.S. On Tuesday evening, September 29, the Huxley memorial lecture of the Royal Anthropological Institute will be given by Dr. G. Thilenius, and through the kind cooperation of the institute will be open to members of the association.

Sectional meetings will begin on Thursday morning, September 24, and will be continued daily, at the following places: Imperial College of Science and Technology, the Imperial Institute, the Natural History Museum, the Victoria and Albert Museum, the Royal College of Music, the Royal Geographical Society, and the Entomological Society.

The sectional transactions will include the following presidential addresses: Section A (Mathematical and Physical Science), Sir J. J. Thomson on "The Growth in Opportunities for Education and Research in Physics in the past Fifty Years." Section B (Chemistry), Brigadier-General Sir Harold Hartley