almost impossible for Jews to take up an academic university career or to complete the studies upon which they had embarked. These circumstances have led large numbers to emigrate to countries affording them opportunities to continue their studies in universities with a view of eventually qualifying themselves in the profession they desire to enter in the country in which they have taken up their domicile.

As far as Holland is concerned, this has resulted in a very great increase in the number of students and already the situation as far as the students in general is concerned is causing not a little anxiety. For this reason necessary action must be taken to prevent the rush of German students increasing the difficulties under which the Dutch students in general are already laboring.

A committee consisting of professors from various Dutch universities and academies has been formed to consider what action can be taken with the Jewish intellectuals from Germany, to facilitate their desire to enter on a university career or who desire to continue their studies, without in any way conflicting with the interests of the Dutch students themselves.

To carry this work out, headquarters are being established in Amsterdam to cooperate as far as possible with similar committees in other countries for the purpose of advising refugees as to the possibilities for the continuation of their studies, the standards of scholarship demanded in this country and elsewhere and the prospect of academic careers in countries other than Holland. At the same time the committee will take upon itself the duty of emphasizing to would-be refugees the grave consequences of their action in deciding to leave Germany, notwithstanding the unfavorable conditions there. Finally, the committee will make every effort to provide opportunities to refugees carrying out professional duties to come in contact for further study courses.

## GEOLOGICAL EXCURSION TO THE LAKE SUPERIOR REGION

DR. W. O. HOTCHKISS, president of the Michigan College of Mining and Technology, has returned from the iron districts of northern Michigan and Minnesota, where he arranged the itinerary for a group of international geologists, who will visit the iron and copper districts of the Lake Superior region early in August.

The International Geological Congress, which will be attended by delegates from all parts of the world, will be held in Washington, D. C., the latter part of July. During the congress nine excursions, all in the eastern part of the United States, will be offered, and after the meeting four special excursions will be available.

One of the special excursions will be through the glacial district in Illinois and southern Wisconsin, and two others will be trans-continental tours. One of the trans-continental excursions will take the northern route through the Rocky Mountain, Yellowstone National Park, down the Pacific coast and back over the southern route, giving the delegates an opportunity to visit a number of mining districts. The other trans-continental tour, which is designed especially for those interested in oil developments, will start over the southern route, up the Pacific coast and back over the northern route.

The fourth special tour will be to the Lake Superior mining districts which will include the copper district and the Marquette and Gogebic iron ranges in northern Michigan and the Mesaba iron region of Minnesota. Between twenty-five and fifty geologists are expected to make the tour to the Lake Superior district, the excursion promising to be one of the most popular of the four arranged for after the congress. Registrations for this tour will close on July 15.

While on these excursions the delegates will travel in chartered sleeping cars. Their first stop on the Lake Superior tour will be at Marquette on August 1, where they will spend one day on the Marquette range. They will be in Houghton August 2 to inspeet the copper mines of this district and will then proceed to the Gogebic range, where they will spend one day. After visiting the Gogebic, the party will proceed to Duluth, where they will take buses to the Mesaba range for one day, and, returning to Duluth on the night of August 5, will entrain for Chicago to visit the Century of Progress Exposition.

## OBITUARY

EDWARD F. MILLER, head of the department of mechanical engineering of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology since 1911 and a member of the faculty for forty-seven years, died on June 12 at the age of sixty-seven years.

DR. FREDERICK L. GATES, lecturer on general physiology at Harvard Medical School, died on June 17, of a fractured skull due to a fall while working in his laboratory. He was forty-six years of age.

DR. FRANK WARREN LANGDON, professor emeritus of neurology and psychiatry at the Medical College of the University of Cincinnati, died on June 9.

HERBERT KEIGHTLEY JOB, formerly Connecticut state ornithologist, and a member of the faculty of the Connecticut State College, and from 1918 until his retirement in 1932 director of the summer school of the National Association of Audubon Societies, died on June 17 at the age of sixty-eight years.

DR. FRANCIS J. FUCHS, head of the department of chemistry of St. John's University, Brooklyn, died on June 23, at the age of forty-four years.

SIR WALTER MORLEY FLETCHER, secretary of the British Medical Research Council, died on June 7. He was fifty-nine years old.