

## TECHNICAL CONFERENCES

<i>Subject</i>	<i>Chairman</i>
Problems of the Student and Cadet	
Engineer .....	M. G. Malti
D. C. Test Code .....	R. W. Owens
Transformers .....	J. E. Clem
Research on Insulating Oils .....	K. S. Wyatt
Noise .....	P. L. Alger
Mercury Arc Rectifiers .....	O. K. Marti
Dielectric Theories .....	H. H. Race
Circuit Breaker Standards .....	R. T. Henry
Reactance of Synchronous Machines	C. M. Laffoon
Electrical Engineering Curricula and Educational Methods .....	V. Karapetoff
Distribution Transformer Protection	K. B. McEachron
Tensor Analysis .....	E. E. Dreese
Conductor Vibration .....	D. M. Simmons

## TECHNICAL SESSIONS

Instruments in Measurements .....	W. B. Konwenhaven
Power Generation .....	H. W. Leitch
Electrical Machinery .....	V. M. Montsinger
Protective Devices .....	H. P. Sleeper
Education .....	L. A. Doggett
Application of Electricity to Iron and Steel Production .....	R. W. Graham
Electrochemistry and Electrometallurgy .....	N. R. Stansel
Power Transmission .....	D. M. Simmons

## HONORARY DEGREES CONFERRED BY HARVARD UNIVERSITY

TWELVE honorary degrees were conferred by Harvard University at its commencement on June 20. These included the doctorate of laws on Henry Agard Wallace, Secretary of Agriculture; on Dr. John Campbell Merriam, president of the Carnegie Institution of Washington, and on Dr. George Sarton, lecturer on the history of science at Harvard University. The doctorate of science was conferred on Dr. Albert Sauveur, McKay professor of metallurgy; on Dr. Waldemar Lindgren, emeritus professor of economic geology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology; on Dr.

Charles Schuchert, emeritus professor of history and geology, Sheffield Scientific School, and curator of geological collections, Peabody Museum, Yale University, and on Dr. Albert Einstein, of the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, N. J. The degree of master of arts was conferred on Dr. Walter Prentice Bowers, physician.

The citations made by President Conant in conferring the degrees are as follows:

## DOCTOR OF LAWS

HENRY AGARD WALLACE, doctor of laws—A public servant of deep faith and high integrity, who finds courage to attempt an uncharted journey in our modern wilderness.

JOHN CAMPBELL MERRIAM, doctor of laws—A distinguished scientist whose wise administration of the Carnegie Institution has advanced knowledge on many fronts.

GEORGE SARTON, doctor of laws—Historian of science and of learning, a scholar whose relentless toil and inspired vision are creating a new academic discipline.

## DOCTOR OF SCIENCE

ALBERT SAUVEUR, doctor of science—Long famous as a founder of the science of metallography, a Harvard professor of whose achievements we shall be forever proud.

WALDEMAR LINDGREN, doctor of science—A geologist to whom all men turn for knowledge of the metallic secrets hidden in the rock.

CHARLES SCHUCHERT, doctor of science—Eminent paleontologist of Yale, who has mapped the ancient seas and fathomed the geologic past.

ALBERT EINSTEIN, doctor of science—Acclaimed by the world as a great revolutionist of theoretical physics, his bold speculations, now become basic doctrine, will be remembered when mankind's present troubles are long forgotten.

## MASTER OF ARTS

WALTER PRENTICE BOWERS, master of arts—A physician devoted to his calling, for more than forty years a general practitioner in Worcester County, he has brought skill and wisdom to countless homes.

## SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

THE American Association for the Advancement of Science and the associated scientific societies are meeting this week in Minneapolis. A full report of the meeting together with some of the more important addresses and papers will be printed in early issues of SCIENCE.

DR. IRVING LANGMUIR, associate director of the Research Laboratory of the General Electric Company, Schenectady, N. Y., has been elected a foreign member of the Royal Society, London.

DR. THOMAS HUNT MORGAN, director of the Wm. G. Kerekhoff Laboratories of the California Institute

of Technology at Pasadena, has been elected a corresponding member of the Prussian Academy of Sciences.

DR. E. D. MERRILL, for the past six years director of the New York Botanical Garden, has accepted appointment as professor of botany and administrator of botanical collections at Harvard University. His work will involve the administration of the several independent botanical units of the university, including the Arnold Arboretum, the Gray Herbarium, the Farlow Herbarium and Library, the Botanical Museum, the Botanic Garden, the Bussey Institution and the Harvard Forest.