at Harvard, has analyzed and has found to contain foraminifera which makes this formation the equivalent of the Buliminia zone of the Navarro of Texas, which is likewise Upper Cretaceous. No material not definitely glacial or recent was found below 1,620 feet.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE AMER-ICAN INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS

AT the meeting at Ithaca of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, E. B. Meyer, chief engineer of the Public Service Electric and Gas Company of Newark, N. J., was elected president for the coming year. The other officers elected were: *Vice-presidents*, W. H. Harrison, Philadelphia; Mark Eldredge, Memphis; R. H. Fair, Omaha; N. B. Hinson, Los Angeles; C. V. Christie, Montreal; *Directors*, C. R. Jones, New York; W. B. Kouwenhoven, Baltimore; G. C. Shaad, Lawrence; *National Treasurer*, W. I. Slichter, New York (reelected).

These officers together with the following holdover officers will constitute the Board of Directors for the next administrative year, beginning on August 1: J. Allen Johnson (retiring president), Buffalo; J. B. Whitehead, Baltimore; F. O. McMillan, Corvallis; F. J. Meyer, Oklahoma City; G. G. Post, Milwaukee; R. H. Tapscott, New York; W. H. Timbie, Cambridge; F. Malcolm Farmer, New York; N. E. Funk, Philadelphia; H. B. Gear, Chicago; P. B. Juhnke, Chicago; G. A. Kositzky, Cleveland; Everett S. Lee, Schenectady; A. H. Lovell, Ann Arbor; L. W. W. Morrow, New York, and A. C. Stevens, Schenectady.

The annual report of the Board of Directors, presented at the meeting, showed a total membership on April 30 of 14,253. In addition to three national conventions and two district meetings, 1,507 meetings were held during the year by the local organizations of the institute in the principal cities and educational institutions in the United States, Canada and Mexico.

## THE RETIREMENT OF PROFESSOR GLENN W. HERRICK, OF CORNELL UNIVERSITY

APPROXIMATELY seventy friends and associates of the department of entomology of Cornell University attended a dinner given in honor of Professor Glenn W. Herrick, of the class of '96, who retired from active teaching in June after more than twenty-five years' service.

Speakers at the dinner included Dr. Liberty Hyde Bailey, emeritus, formerly dean of the College of Agriculture; Professor Simon H. Gage, '77, histology and embryology, emeritus; Dean Cornelius Betten, of the university faculty, and Professor Percival J. Parrott, Grad. '06, vice-director of the State Experiment Station at Geneva. Professor James G. Needham, Ph.D., '98, was to astmaster and read many letters and telegrams from friends unable to be present. Professor Herrick is retiring from teaching to devote more time to research and writing. He spoke briefly of the mixed emotions of the occasion.

Since 1909 he has taught the courses in economic entomology in the College of Agriculture. He returned to Ithaca then as assistant professor, from having been professor of biology and director of the State Experiment Station of Mississippi and later of Texas. In 1912 he was appointed professor of economic entomology and entomologist to the Experiment Station. Recently he has devoted himself especially to the study of insect pests of shade trees, and the University Press is to publish in August his book, "Shade Trees and Their Insect Enemies." He has written many bulletins and numerous other books; among them, "A Text-book of Zoology," "Insects of Economic Importance," "Manual of Injurious Insects," "Insects Injurious to the Household and Annoying to Man," and he collaborated with John H. Comstock, '74, and Anna Botsford Comstock, '79, on their "Manual for the Study of Insects." For several years before it was turned over to the university. Professor Herrick was secretary of the Comstock Publishing Company.

Professor Herrick is a member and former president of the American Association of Economic Entomologists, a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a fellow of the Entomological Society of America, of the Biological Society of Washington, D. C., and of Société Linnéenne de Lyon. He is a member of Quill and Dagger, Sigma Xi and Alpha Gamma Rho.

## THE PALISADE INTERSTATE PARK

At the thirty-fifth anniversary luncheon of the commissioners of the Palisade Interstate Park, the offer of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., of seven hundred woodland acres along the crest of the Palisades from the New Jersey end of the George Washington Bridge to the New York State line was accepted and will be maintained as a park.

According to *The New York Times*, present plans are for the establishment of a continuous park and parkway between the bridge and the state line, a distance of thirteen miles, occupying 1,200 acres of land. Mr. Rockefeller's gift includes about 60 per cent. of this area. The commissioners already hold an additional 16 per cent., leaving 24 per cent., all of it fronting on the Palisades, to be acquired.

South of Palisade Avenue, which runs east and west through Englewood and Englewood Cliffs, the Rockefeller property lies between Hudson Terrace and the edge of the cliffs to a point 2,500 feet below the George Washington Bridge. North of Palisade Avenue it lies