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MEETINGS OF GEOLOGISTS IN NEW YORK CITY

THE forty-eighth annual meeting of the Geological Society of America will be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 26, 27 and 28, in New York City. The headquarters, place of registration, scientific sessions and exhibits will be in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, Park Avenue at 50th Street.

Fellows are urged to submit without delay the titles and abstracts of papers which they wish to present at the meeting, so that the Program Committee may arrange to advantage a program of the sessions. No paper will be considered unless the title is accompanied by an abstract suitable for printing in the *Proceedings* of the society.

The address of the retiring president, Dr. Nevin M. Fenneman, professor of geology and geography in the University of Cincinnati, will be delivered on December 26 at 8 o'clock. His subject will be "Cyclic and Non-Cyclic Aspects of Erosion." A smoker will follow the address. The regular dinner of the society will be held on Friday evening, December 27, at 7 o'clock.

In conjunction with the Geological Society the Paleontological Society (Secretary, B. F. Howell, Princeton University) will hold its twenty-seventh annual meeting, and the Mineralogical Society of America (Secretary, Paul F. Kerr, Columbia Univer-

sity, New York City) will hold its sixteenth annual meeting.

Section E of the American Association for the Advancement of Science will meet in St. Louis, Missouri, on December 30 and 31. A joint session with the Seismological Society will be held on December 30. Papers dealing with the geology and geography of the Mississippi Valley will be welcomed for the program of December 31. Full information regarding the meeting may be obtained from the secretary of Section E, Kirtley F. Mather, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

In order to appear in the preliminary programs, abstracts of papers should be in the hands of the various secretaries by November 25.

RECENT DEATHS

PROFESSOR CHARLES LORING JACKSON, who was a member of the faculty of Harvard University for forty-four years until his resignation as professor of chemistry in 1912, died on October 28 at the age of eighty-eight years.

HARRY S. SWARTH, curator of ornithology and mammalogy of the California Academy of Sciences at San Francisco for the past eight years, died suddenly on October 22. He was fifty-seven years old.

DR. ANNA LAURA HINTZE, since 1929 assistant professor of physiology and hygiene at Goucher College, died on October 27 at the age of forty-seven years.

DR. JOHN GOODMAN, professor emeritus of civil and mechanical engineering at the University of Leeds, died on October 28 at the age of seventy-three years.

SCIENTIFIC NOTES AND NEWS

SIMON NEWCOMB, William Penn and Grover Cleveland were elected to the Hall of Fame of New York University in the eighth quinquennial election. The elections have been ratified by the senate of New York University and commemorative tablets and busts to the three men will be placed in the Colonnade at University Heights at ceremonies to take place probably next spring. Sixty-one votes, or a three-fifths majority, were necessary for election. Penn headed the list of candidates with eighty-three votes; Newcomb was second with seventy-eight votes and Cleveland was third with seventy-seven votes. Walter Reed, with fifty-seven votes, and Willard Gibbs, with fifty-five votes, stood next to those elected.

DR. EUGENE H. POOL, professor of clinical surgery at the Cornell Medical Center, was elected president at the San Francisco meeting of the College of Surgeons for the 1936-37 term. Dr. Emile Holman, professor

of surgery in Stanford University Hospital, was elected first vice-president, and Dr. George E. Wilson, assistant professor of surgery in the University of Toronto, second vice-president. These officers will be inducted at the end of next year's congress. Officers-elect for the 1935-36 term named at the last congress are: Dr. Donald C. Balfour, of Rochester, Minn., *president*; Dr. Arthur W. Allen, of Boston, *first vice-president*, and Dr. John A. Gunn, of Winnipeg, Canada, *second vice-president*.

THE *British Medical Journal* states that the Lenin-grad Institute of Post-Graduate Medical Studies has founded a chair in pathology and physiology of the higher nervous activity. It is dedicated to Professor I. P. Pavlov, who presided at the recent International Physiological Congress. The director of studies will be Dr. M. K. Petrova, one of Dr. Pavlov's pupils and collaborators. The purpose of the institute is to en-