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#### GENERAL FEATURES

THE ninety-seventh meeting of the association, which was held in St. Louis, was an outstanding success. Not even the unfinished condition of part of the Municipal Auditorium due to unforeseen delays could defeat the plans of the local committee to provide visiting organizations with desirable conditions for their sessions. The unfortunate condition was not recognized until the meetings were near at hand. On learning of the situation Washington University immediately placed at the disposal of the association its entire plant and facilities. Working at high speed representatives of the local committee and of the association had transferred within two days all the biological societies to these new quarters, adjusted the rooms to their needs and revised the program assignments already in proof. Despite the mass of detail involved errors crept in only rarely and most organizations on arrival were unaware of the emer-

gency that had arisen so unexpectedly. The societies involved expressed generally their satisfaction with the arrangements made for their sessions. The extent and complexity of the adjustments entailed by the changes well illustrated the growth of the association between 1878, the date of the first St. Louis meeting, and the present. Within this period of 55 years two other meetings have been held in this city and all of them have been conspicuous events in the history of the association. The changes which have come about in the association are no less remarkable than those in the city itself. In St. Louis the development of a great civic center with the fine Municipal Auditorium and broad boulevards leading out to beautiful parks and suburban communities, as well as many fine public buildings, universities and professional schools and other signs of progress, gave evidence of active and well-directed growth.

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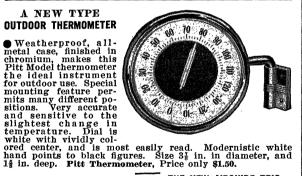
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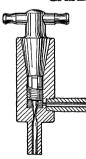
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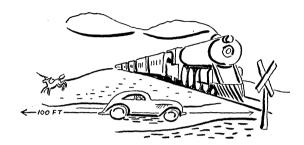
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