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THE ninety-ninth meeting in the series of the association was held in Atlantic City from December 28, 1936, to January 2, 1937. Once before this city had been host to the association, namely, in 1932 for the ninety-first meeting. In a way conditions in Atlantic City differ markedly from those under which meetings are usually held. The community can boast of no university, no research laboratories, no great museum. But it does offer unrivaled opportunities for comfort and convenience in holding a great assemblage of sections and societies, desiring at the same hours some fifty to sixty separate meeting halls adequate in size and convenient in place and equipment for the sessions of these diverse groups. It has also another advantage in that it can furnish these facilities within a distance of only a little more than a mile, eliminating thus the time and expense involved in reaching meeting places often widely separated in a great city. The Municipal Auditorium, admirably planned for convention purposes, and the big hotels close by with capacious and attractive audience rooms housed well all the lectures, conferences, demonstrations and other gatherings held in Atlantic City. One could go in short order from one session to another or to make contact with members in some other society headquarters without spending much time in transit. It is worth while recording the fact that many members and officers, especially secretaries, expressed themselves at the close of the week as highly appreciative of the satisfactory arrangements made for the meeting.

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