

was continued on Tuesday morning with papers by E. B. Copeland, on "Origin of the Native Flora of the Pacific Islands"; R. L. Usinger, on "Wartime Dispersal of Pacific Island Insects"; and F. W. Hartmann, on "Public Health Problems in the Pacific Islands." At the conclusion of the Tuesday morning session, Chairman K. A. Ryerson, of the Pacific Science Board, reviewed the plans of the Board for the promotion and coordination of research in the Pacific area, especially in the islands taken over by the United States during the war.

The address of T. G. Thompson, retiring president of the Pacific Division, was given Tuesday evening on the topic "Research." Prof. Thompson spoke particularly of the importance of research to the national defense and of the need of a more comprehensive plan for the mobilization of scientific talent and scientific resources.

On Wednesday evening L. A. DuBridge, president, California Institute of Technology, dealt with the reciprocal of this theme in a lecture on "Radar and Its Peacetime Uses."

The concluding evening address was given Thursday by G. L. Clarke, of Harvard University and the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, on "Light and Life Within the Sea."

Roy E. Clausen, of the University of California, Berkeley, was elected to the presidency of the Division, succeeding Prof. Thompson. H. S. Reed continues as vice-president and chairman of the Executive Committee. R. C. Miller was re-elected secretary for a three-year term. W. A. Clemens was elected a member of the Executive Committee for a five-year term, and W. Weniger and G. E. Goodspeed, members-at-large of the Council for four-year terms.

A resolution was adopted endorsing the Fulbright Law (*Science*, May 9, p. 483) and urging that, in view of the predominant interest of other countries and governments in science and the value of scientific relations in building world peace, at least three of the 10 appointees to the Board of Foreign Scholarships be men prominent in the natural sciences. This resolution was telegraphed to the President of the United States. A further resolution was adopted urging the removal of all restrictions on exchange of scientific publications between the United States and Japan.

A resolution was adopted expressing to the local committee and the host institutions and organizations the appreciation

of the officers and members of the Pacific Division and associated societies of the excellence of the facilities provided and the cordial hospitality extended this scientific gathering.

Three additional organizations, the Herpetologists League, the Meteoritical Society, and the Oregon Academy of Science, were elected to the status of associated societies of the Division.

The following societies meeting in conjunction with the Pacific Division held programs for the reading of scientific papers: American Chemical Society (Pacific Intersectional Division), American Meteorological Society, American Phytopathological Society (Pacific Division), American Society for Horticultural Science (Western Section), American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists (Western Division), American Society of Plant Physiologists (Western Section), Association of Pacific Coast Geographers, Astronomical Society of the Pacific, Botanical Society of America (Pacific Division), Ecological Society of America (Western Section), Herpetologists League, Institute of Mathematical Statistics, Meteoritical Society, National Science Teachers Association (Western Area), Oceanographic Society of the Pacific, Society of American Bacteriologists (Southern California Branch), Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine (Pacific Coast Branch and Southern California Branch), Western Psychological Association, Western Society of Naturalists, and Western Society of Soil Science.

Action was taken to accept the invitation of the University of California to hold the next annual meeting of the Division on the Berkeley campus, June 21-26, 1948. (ROBERT C. MILLER, Secretary, Pacific Division.)

## Advance Registration and Hotel Headquarters Assignments

Those planning to attend the Chicago Meeting of the AAAS, December 26-31, may register now by sending the correct fee (\$2.00 for members and college students, \$3.00 for nonmembers) to the Washington Office of the Association, 1515 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Those registering before December 1 will receive a copy of the *General Program* well in advance of the meeting, will save themselves the time of registering during the meeting, and will have their names in-

cluded in the special directory of registrants which will be available for inspection in all the headquarters hotels.

The *General Program* will list the papers of the sections and societies meeting with the Association, including the time and place of each session. It will also contain announcements regarding general sessions, the International Science Exhibition, eating facilities, transportation, mail and messenger service, and a directory of speakers and presiding officers. Readers will find the Summary of Sessions a most useful adjunct.

Registration fees will be accepted for mail distribution of the *General Program* until December 10. Payments received after this date will be held and placed on file on December 26 at the main registration center, located adjacent to the Exhibition in the Stevens Hotel. Upon identification, these registrants will be given a copy of the *General Program*, and their registration cards will be placed in the Visible Directory. To avoid delay in receipt of copies of the program during the Christmas mailing rush, registration fees should reach the Washington Office before December 1.

## Scientific Exhibits

Plans for many fine scientific exhibits demonstrating research progress and techniques in varied fields are progressing rapidly. A special exhibit being prepared by a group of the 1946 Nobel Prize winners will show the research for which each scientist was honored. Other exhibits scheduled include: "Radar Charting on the Ohio River," prepared by the Louisville Engineer District Corps of Engineers, U.S.A.; "Magnetic Expiration in the Antarctic and Arctic Alaska," by the Division of Electricity and Magnetism, Naval Ordnance Laboratory; "Hydrocarbon Research and Electronic Miniaturization," by the National Bureau of Standards; "Progress in the Art of Prosthetic Devices," by the Veterans Administration; "Bulbar Poliomyelitis and Epidemiology and Diagnosis of Infantile Paralysis," by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis; and "Anatomic Specimens Embedded in Plastics," by Otto F. Kampmeier, University of Illinois College of Medicine.

Arrangements for technical exhibits by a large number of commercial organizations have already been made since the first announcement in *Science*.