

The papers sent to the various sections must be related to the main subjects and be as concise as possible. A summary of about one hundred words must reach the secretariat not later than March 31, 1939. The organizing committee will make a final decision in regard to the acceptance of papers. It is provided that it may accept papers bearing upon other subjects, if they are of particular importance and originality.

THE INTERNATIONAL GEOLOGICAL CONGRESS

THE eighteenth session of the International Geological Congress will be held in London from July 31 to August 8, 1940.

At a special meeting recently called by the Geological Society of London and attended by representatives of kindred societies, public bodies and personal donors to the congress funds, it was decided to entrust the preparation and organization of the congress to a general organizing committee. It was also decided to vest the executive authority of the general organizing committee in an executive committee and to recommend to the bureau of the congress that the officers of the general organizing and executive committees be the officers of the congress. These committees were unanimously elected. It was further agreed that the power to add to the membership of the general organizing committee and the executive committee be vested in the council of the Geological Society of London.

Officers of the general organizing committee are:

Honorary President

Sir William Bragg, president of the Royal Society.

Honorary Members

The Right Honorable The Lord President of His Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council.

The Lord Lieutenant of the County of London.

The Right Honorable The Lord Mayor of London.

The Chairman of the London County Council.

The Chancellor of the University of Cambridge.

The Chancellor of the University of London.

The Chancellor of the University of Oxford.

The Chancellor of the University of St. Andrews.

The President of the Royal Society.

The President of the Royal Society of Edinburgh.

The Director-General of the Ordnance Survey.

The Hydrographer of the Navy.

The Director of the British Museum (Natural History).

The Director of the Royal Botanical Gardens, Kew.

The Right Honorable Viscount Bearsted, chairman of the Shell Transport and Trading Co.

The Right Honorable Lord Cadman of Silverdale, chairman of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Co.

Sir John S. Flett, formerly director of the Geological Survey of Great Britain.

Dr. Alfred Harker, St. John's College, Cambridge.

Sir Thomas Holland, principal and vice-chancellor of the University of Edinburgh.

Sir Albert Seward, South Kensington.

R. I. Watson, Esq., director of the Burmah Oil Co.

Professor W. W. Watts, emeritus professor of geology in the Imperial College of Science and Technology.

Sir Arthur Smith Woodward, Haywards Heath, Sussex.

Officers

Vice-presidents: the president of the Geological Society of London and the director of the Geological Survey of Great Britain.

General Secretaries: Dr. W. F. P. McLintock, deputy director of the Geological Survey of Great Britain, and Professor W. B. R. King, University College, London.

Treasurer: F. N. Ashcroft, London.

No professional title is required from those registering as members of the congress. Nevertheless, the excursions organized before and after the session will be more especially reserved for the members who are geologists, geographers and mining engineers, and for others who devote themselves to the study or practice of some branch of geology.

Proposed subjects for discussion are:

Magnetic Differentiation.

Metasomatic Processes in Metamorphism.

Caledonids in Northwest Europe.

Rhythm in Sedimentation.

The Geology of Iron-Ore Deposits.

The Geology of Coal Seams.

The Geology of Petroleum.

The Geology of Sea and Ocean Floors.

The Stratigraphical Limits of the Ordovician System.

The Pliocene-Pleistocene Boundary.

The Distribution of Early Vertebrates.

Faunal Facies and Zonal Correlation.

Earth Movements and Evolution.

The Geological Results of Applied Geophysics.

An elaborate program of excursions to be taken before, during and after the congress has been arranged. Requests for further information should be addressed to the General Secretaries, International Geological Congress, Geological Survey and Museum, Exhibition Road, South Kensington, London, S.W. 7. The address for foreign telegrams and cables is Incegeol, London.

SYMPOSIA AT THE MILWAUKEE MEETING OF THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY

SYMPOSIA at the meeting of the American Chemical Society, meeting in Milwaukee from September 5 to 9, are reported in *Industrial and Engineering Chemistry*.

The Division of Agricultural and Food Chemistry has arranged a symposium on the Industrial Utilization of Agricultural Products, in which the Division of Biological Chemistry and possibly the Division of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry will co-