THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE
THE PERMANENT SECRETARY’S REPORT ON THE KANSAS CITY MEETING

GENERAL FEATURES

The eighty-second meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science began Monday evening, December 28, 1925, and came to an end on Saturday, January 2, 1926. For the first time in its history, the association and a number of the associated societies met in Kansas City, Missouri. This was the annual meeting for the association year 1925–26.

The Kansas City meeting was peculiarly a hotel convention, with almost all the sessions in hotel rooms. Owing to the exceptionally convenient location of a number of large hotels in Kansas City, and also to the excellent room assignments worked out by the local committee on arrangements, the meeting was less scattered than is often the case when university buildings are used for such meetings. Most of the sessions were held within a very few blocks of the headquarters hotel. Many who were present at the meeting were able to attend the sessions in which they were interested without leaving the building in which they had their lodgings; hats and overcoats were but infrequently needed.

Meteorologically the Kansas City meeting was unusually fortunate. Until Saturday, the closing day, the skies were generally fair. The meeting period began with stimulating low temperatures and each day was warmer than the preceding. Those who remained latest experienced warm, cloudy and rainy weather on Saturday.

As has been said, this was the first time the association has met in Kansas City. The city is centrally located, being called by its citizens the “Heart of America.” Many who had been unable to attend the meetings of recent years were able to be present this year. The citizens of Kansas City were very hospitable and showed great interest in the sessions. The local newspapers were exceptionally helpful and gave much fine publicity to the meeting, both before it opened and during its period. It is certain that the association benefited greatly by visiting Kansas City and it is equally sure that many people of the city and the surrounding region will be helped and stimulated and inspired for a long time to come.
Editor's Summary

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