We welcome to America the psychologists of the world. You have come from distant nations, but we are intellectual neighbors; your faces may be unfamiliar, but we are scientific friends. Biologically we of the North American continent are descended from every race and people; culturally we owe our civilization in the main to the older nations. We have received a great inheritance; may it be our part to return its fruits with usury. Eight times previously have these congresses of psychology met in six different countries. Americans have enjoyed their hospitality and have profited by their programs. Now the ninth congress has honored us by coming far from its origin and center. In its proceedings we are like Chaucer's clerk of Oxenford:

And gladly wolde he lerne and gladly teche.

For ourselves and on behalf of our foreign members we have pleasure in expressing appreciation and obligations to the host of this congress, Yale University, long a leader in education and in psychology,