From December 29, 1941, to January 3, 1942, the American Association for the Advancement of Science held its annual meeting in Dallas, Texas. When the meeting was originally planned the officers of the association looked forward with pleasure to going to Texas, but their happy anticipations were clouded by the turn of international affairs early in December. Their misgivings, however, were not well founded, for the meeting surpassed all expectations. The programs of the association and its affiliated societies included 1,436 addresses and papers which were presented at 193 different sessions. About 4,000 persons attended the scientific sessions, of whom 1,851 registered and received the general program of the meeting.

In 1931–1932 the association held its annual meeting in New Orleans, a much larger city than Dallas and one nearer the great centers of population. At the New Orleans meeting a decade ago and in time of peace the registration was 1,447, less than the registra-