

tinually active in many ways. He was for many years one of the directors of the University of Chicago Settlement, he is a trustee of Oberlin College and is the American member of the Committee on Intellectual Cooperation of the League of Nations. He belongs to the Congregational Church. His friendliness and reliable helpfulness to his students and colleagues have always been of rare quality, inspiring unusual confidence, affection and loyalty, as one gathers from conversation with those who know him well.

Millikan has a brilliant record of scientific activities in the war period. He devoted himself wholly to them from March, 1917, to January, 1919, serving first on several committees of the Council of National Defense, notably with the General Munitions Board and the Optical Glass Committee. Throughout the war he served on the Anti-Submarine Board of the U. S. Navy, which consisted of four naval officers and three civilians, its main responsibility being the direction of the work of the anti-submarine research station at New London, Connecticut. He received a commission in the U. S. Army in July, 1917, and served throughout the remainder of the war as lieutenant-colonel in charge of the science and research division of the Bureau of Military Aeronautics. He is at present a lieutenant-colonel in the Officers' Reserve Signal Corps.

Our new president has taken active part in American scientific organizations, especially in the National Research Council (of which he is now vice-chairman), in the American Physical Society (of which he is a past president) and in the American Association for the Advancement of Science, to the presidency of which he now comes with an exceptionally extensive experience and sympathetic interest. The records of the American Association show that he has been a member since 1907 and a fellow since 1910. He was vice-president for Section B (Physics) in 1911. No other member of the American Association approached him in the number of votes cast in the nomination canvass of the membership regularly conducted last fall, and the unanimous vote of the council on December 29, by which he became president for 1929, is thoroughly and heartily approved by the membership at large. He now becomes an *ex-officio* member of the council and of its executive committee, in which are vested the control of association affairs. The American Association, and American science in general, are to be congratulated on the addition of Dr. Millikan's name to the long list of distinguished names that constitute the presidential roll.—B. E. L.

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<sup>1</sup> The number in parentheses denotes the year at the end of which the member's term of office is to expire.

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The executive committee consists of the newly elected president, the general secretary, the permanent secretary and the eight elected members named below.<sup>2</sup>

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#### FUTURE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE ASSOCIATION

The American Association meets annually in convocation week, at the time of the Christmas holidays, the dates for the meetings being determined by a rule adopted by the council. When New Year's day falls on Thursday, Friday or Saturday, the meeting period is the week (Monday to Saturday, inclusive) in which New Year's day occurs. When New Year's day falls on Sunday, the meeting period is the preceding week. And when New Year's day falls on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, the meeting opens on December 27 and continues through January 2. Plans of individuals and societies may thus be made years in advance. The dates and meeting places of some future annual meetings are shown below.

- 1929-30 (Des Moines): Friday, December 27, 1929, to Tuesday, January 2, 1930.
- 1930-31 (Cleveland): Monday, December 29, 1930, to Saturday, January 3, 1931.
- 1931-32 (probably New Orleans): Monday, December 28, 1931, to Saturday, January 2, 1932.
- 1932-33 (Chicago): Monday, December 26, to Saturday, December 31, 1932.
- 1933-34 (undecided): Wednesday, December 27, 1933, to Tuesday, January 2, 1934.
- 1934-35 (probably Rochester): Thursday, December 27, 1934, to Wednesday, January 2, 1935.

#### SPECIAL NOTES

(1) This issue of SCIENCE contains only the general reports of the fifth New York meeting. Reports on the sessions of sections and societies are to appear in the next following issue, for February 1.

(2) The journal subscriptions of members for 1928 who have not yet enrolled for 1929 are to be continued to include the issue of SCIENCE for February 1. Dues for 1929 that have not been paid earlier should be paid now; otherwise the journal subscriptions can not be continued longer.

(3) All who are interested in the advancement of science and education should belong to the American Association. New members are received at any time. Information about the association and its work and about the privileges and responsibilities of association membership may be had at any time from the permanent secretary's Washington office, in the Smithsonian Institution Building.

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