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DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, *July* 16, 1909.

The Committee on Organization of the Fifteenth International Congress on Hygiene and Demography has the honour of presenting herewith certain information concerning arrangements, made and in progress, for the forthcoming Congress.

The Fifteenth International Congress on Hygiene and Demography will be held in Washington, September 26 to October 1, 1910, under the auspices of the Department of State of the United States, in pursuance of the Joint Resolution of Congress, approved February 26, 1907, authorizing the President to invite the International Congress of Hygiene and Demography to meet in Washington in 1910.

Under date of May 8, 1909, this general invitation was confirmed by a circular letter of the Department of State addressed to the American ministers and Ambassadors, instructing them to invite the governments to which they are accredited.

ORGANIZATION.

The following appointments have been made for the purposes of organizing the Fifteenth International Congress on Hygiene and Demography :

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REGULATIONS.

ARTICLE I.

The Fifteenth International Congress on Hygiene and Demography will meet in Washington from the 26th of September to the 1st of October, 1910.

ARTICLE II.

The purpose of the Congress is to promote the knowledge and practice of hygiene and demography.

ARTICLE III.

Any person, engaged in the study or practice of hygiene or demography, may become a member of the Congress. But the Committee of Organization reserves the right to withhold the privileges of membership in particular cases.

ARTICLE IV.

The fee for membership is \$5.00 (20 marks = 25 francs).

Relatives of members of the Congress, as well as students of colleges and universities, who are not eligible for membership, may become associate members, and may have the privileges of attending the meetings of the Congress, and participating in the entertainments, excursions, and other events occurring in connection with the Congress; but may not vote or participate in the discussions.

These associate members shall pay a fee of \$2.50 (10 marks).

ARTICLE V.

Each member will receive a report of the transactions of the Congress, and of the protocol, to be published after the adjournment of the Congress.

ARTICLE VI.

The Congress is divided into ten sections and two divisions.

I.

- Section 1. Hygienic Microbiology and Parasitology.
- Section 2. Dietetic Hygiene. Hygienic Physiology.
- Section 3. Hygiene of Infancy and Childhood: School Hygiene.
- Section 4. Industrial and Occupational Hygiene.
- Section 5. Control of Infectious Diseases.
- Section 6. State and Municipal Hygiene.
- Section 7. Hygiene of Traffic and Transportation.
- Section 8. Tropical Military and Naval Hygiene.
- Section 9. Hygiene of Institutions and Public Buildings.

II.

- Section 10. Demography.

ARTICLE VII.

The sessions are divided into general sessions and Section sessions. The opening and closing meetings are general sessions. Joint meetings may be arranged between two Sections.

The official languages of the Congress are German, French, and English.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Congress is governed by a President, two Vice-Presidents, and Secretaries. Each Section is governed by a President, Vice-Presidents, and Secretaries.

During the general session for opening the Congress the reports of the Committee on Organization will be acted upon, and honorary presidents of the Congress elected.

During the first session of each Section, the nominations by the President of the Section will be received, and honorary presidents of the Section will be elected.

The President of each Section shall be responsible for the government of his Section throughout the meeting of the Congress; but the President of a Section may, at his own discretion, relinquish the chair, temporarily, to any of the honorary presidents of the Section.

ARTICLE IX.

The Committee on Organization will receive from the Presidents of Sections suggestions as to themes for discussions, and the names of referees and co-referees, and will arrange the program for each of the Sections. The discussion of each theme will be opened and closed by the referee and co-referees chosen for that purpose.

ARTICLE X.

Each referee or co-referee must send a short summary or abstract of his communication to the Secretary-General of the Congress before April 1, 1910, so that the abstracts may be sent to the members of the Congress in advance of the meeting. Each referee or co-referee has a maximum time allowance of twenty minutes for the presentation of his paper. After the stated papers are read, the subject will be open for general discussion.

The papers will be arranged in the order in which their notifications are received at the General Office.

During the discussions, each speaker is allowed five minutes, and no speaker may

exceed five minutes without express leave of the Section. No person may speak more than twice on one subject, without the express leave of the Section.

After the general discussion each referee and co-referee is allowed five minutes for closing remarks.

ARTICLE XI.

Notice of the desire to present a paper or a demonstration must be sent to the President of the appropriate Section, enclosing an abstract or brief account of his proposition. The Presidents of Sections will dispose of these requests in the order of their receipt, and in such a way as not to interfere with the discussion of the official themes.

ARTICLE XII.

Each speaker, who desires his remarks to be published in the transactions, must hand to the Secretary of the Section, at the close of the session, a typewritten manuscript of his part in the discussion.

Each Section Secretary will make a written report of each session, will take possession of the papers read and the records of discussions, and will hand to the President of the Section an orderly account of the Section proceedings, to be approved by the Presidents and transmitted to the Secretary-General for publication in the transactions.

ARTICLE XIII.

The Congress will not pass resolutions on scientific questions, but the Sections have the right to offer formal propositions, which may be acted upon by the Congress at the closing session, provided the Permanent International Commission of the Congress of Hygiene and Demography makes no objection.

ARTICLE XIV.

While the Congress is in session a printed journal will appear daily, giving the program as arranged by the Presidents of Sections, and other information of interest to members of the Congress.

ARTICLE XV.

At the closing session the report of the Permanent International Commission is received, and the time and place of the next meeting of the Congress is decided.

During the closing sessions, the proposals offered by the Sections are acted upon.

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UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL CORPS EXAMINATIONS AT WASHINGTON, CHICAGO AND SAN FRANCISCO.

The Surgeon General of the Army announces that the War Department has appointed permanent boards for the preliminary examination of applicants for appointment in the Medical Corps of the Army to meet at Washington, D.C., Fort Sheridan (near Chicago), Illinois, and San Francisco, California, in addition to the usual preliminary examination boards that are assembled at various Army posts throughout the United States from time to time. The permanent boards will hold sessions on the second Monday of each month.

A limited number of successful candidates will be appointed First Lieutenants in the Medical Reserve Corps (salary \$2,000 per annum) and assigned to Army posts until the next session of the Army Medical School, when they will be ordered to attend the School as "student candidates."

Applicants must be citizens of the United States, between twenty-two and thirty years of age, graduates of reputable medical schools, of good moral character and habits, and shall have had a year's hospital training after graduation, or its equivalent.

Full information concerning the examination can be procured upon application to the "Surgeon General, U.S. Army, Washington, D."

(Printed by special request.—Ed.)