## THE SCIENTIFIC CONGRESS IN MEXICO

The Seventh American Scientific Congress held in Mexico City September 8-17, 1935, under the auspices of the Department of Public Education of the Republic of Mexico, was attended by over four hundred delegates, representing nearly all the countries belonging to the Pan-American Union.

Universities and scientific societies in the United States were represented by thirty delegates, of whom the following were designated as official delegates from the United States Government (without expense to the government) : President C. H. Marvin, of George Washington University, chairman; President W. W. Atwood, of Clark University; Dr. J. McK. Cattell, Editor of Science; President F. S. Harris, of Brigham Young University; Professor E. V. Huntington, of Harvard University; Mr. N. M. Judd, of the Smithsonian Institution, Mr. F. V. Scholes, of the Carnegie Institution, and Mr. W. W. Schott, second secretary of the American Embassy in Mexico City. Among the universities represented were: Harvard, Yale, Chicago, California, Leland Stanford, George Washington, Clark, Brigham Young, Kansas, Miami, Minnesota, New Mexico, Pittsburgh, and the University of Washington.

The American Mathematical Society was represented by Professor E. V. Huntington. The Mathematical Association of America had appointed Professor E. L. Dodd of the University of Texas as its representative, but he was unable to attend on account of illness in his family. The American Association for the Advancement of Science was represented by Dr. J. McK. Cattell and Dr. M. S. Vallarta.

After a welcoming reception on Sunday evening, September 8, the Congress was officially opened on September 9 by General L. Cardenas, President of the Republic of Mexico, in the recently completed and imposing Palace of Fine Arts. The scientific sessions began work immediately, under the direction of Dr. P. C. Sánchez, President of the organizing committee, and Mr. L. S. Pontón, general secretary.

There were fourteen sections of the Congress, as follows: 1. Physical and Mathematical sciences; 2. Geology; 3. Engineer-

