

## NEWS AND NOTES.

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The Twenty-fifth Annual Meeting of the Ohio Academy of Science was held at the Ohio State University, at Columbus, on November 26th and 27th. A special program was given in commemoration of the Quarter Centennial Anniversary.

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The American Association for the Advancement of Science will hold its Annual Meeting on the Ohio State University Campus, at Columbus, December 27th, 1915 to January 1st, 1916. A large attendance is expected and arrangements have been completed to make the meeting one of unusual interest.

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At the November meeting of the Biological Club, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Dr. F. H. Kreckler of the Department of Zoology and Entomology; Vice President, Miss Clara G. Mark, of the Department of Geology; Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Rollo C. Baker, of the Department of Anatomy.

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The following officers were named by the Ohio State University Scientific Society for the year: President, F. C. Blake, Department of Physics; Vice President, Jas. R. Withrow, Department of Chemistry; Secretary, R. J. Seymour, Department of Physiology; Treasurer, C. J. West, Department of Mathematics. These officers constitute an executive committee which will arrange programs for the regular meetings of the society, the first of which will occur during January.

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An interesting event occurring during the recent meeting of the Ohio Academy of Science was the short talk given by Dr. T. C. Mendenhall to the New York and San Francisco alumni of the Ohio State University by means of the trans-continental telephone. Dr. Mendenhall, while a member of the University faculty, established the first telephone to be used in central Ohio, a line from his University office to his residence, and he expressed himself as greatly pleased at the opportunity accorded him to speak to his former students over a line extending across the continent.

The Ohio Academy of Science at its November meeting voted to change the date of its annual session to a time corresponding to the Easter recess. The exact time of the meeting is to be determined by the executive committee, the Academy voting to have the next meeting occur in the spring of 1916.

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Established last Spring, the latest honorary society, Phi Sigma, a student organization open only to students having completed an amount of biological work equivalent to a minor, has awakened interest in the universities of other states. Inquiries concerning the possibility of establishing other chapters at distant institutions have been received by the parent chapter at Ohio State University and it is probable that such chapters will be formed during the present year. Phi Sigma hopes to publish a biological quarterly in the near future.

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