TRANSPORTATION, TOURS AND LECTURES

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The transportation committee was charged with making arrangements for travel to Ithaca by delegates from the United States and from abroad, with the entertainment of foreign delegates in New York and with arrangements for tours in the United States after the congress. Its chief efforts were expended in making those arrangements which would enable the largest number of visitors from abroad to come to the congress and to this end it obtained favorable rates and accommodations for group travel from Europe, arranged for the entertainment of delegates on their arrival in New York, and undertook to obtain lecture engagements for visiting geneticists which might help to defray the cost of travel to the congress.

Entertainment of foreign members of the genetics and the eugenics congresses while they were in New York City preceding the genetics congress was in charge of the New York entertainment committee which had the following membership: A. F. Blakeslee, L. C. Dunn, W. M. Faunce, C. S. Gager, F. E. Lutz, E. D. Merrill, F. Schrader, E. W. Sinnott, A. B. Stout, and C. R. Stockard. Entertainment in New York City was provided through the generosity of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Columbia University arranged to have its facilities held available for members of the congress and delegates were lodged in its dormitories and provided with breakfasts at the Faculty Club.

On Sunday, August 20, an excursion was arranged to Cold Spring Harbor where the foreign delegates were guests of the Department of Genetics of the Carnegie Institution of Washington, and inspected the laboratories of the Station for Experimental Evolution and the Eugenics Record Office.

On Monday, August 22, delegates had the choice of two all day excursions: one taking them to the New York Botanical Garden and to the Boyce Thompson Institute for Plant Research at Yonkers, where they were entertained at lunch by Doctor and Mrs. Crocker of the Boyce Thompson Institute; and the other to Doctor Stockard's dog farm near Peekskill by way of the College of Physicians and Surgeons and the Presbyterian Hospital Medical Center. This group was entertained at luncheon by Doctor Stockard.

Delegates were luncheon guests of the American Museum of Natural History on both Monday and Tuesday and opportunity was given to inspect the museum under the guidance of the staff.

Student guides from Columbia University under the supervision of
D. E. Lancefield and F. Schrader stood ready on request to conduct
the delegates to places of special interest in the city.

On Tuesday there was arranged a sight-seeing tour of the city which
included a trip to the top of the Empire State building. Tuesday evening
there was a dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel given by the Carnegie
Endowment for International Peace; E. W. Sinnott was in charge
of dinner arrangements and F. T. McLean was responsible for the table
decorations which consisted of genetic material including fruits of hybrid
peaches presented by the New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Sta-
tion. A. F. Blakeslee presided and introduced the following speakers:
Thomas Darlington who represented New York City; E. W. Sinnott
who read a communication from E. B. Wilson who was unable to be
present on account of illness; the president of the genetics congress, T. H.
Morgan; the president of the eugenics congress, C. B. Davenport, and
J. B. S. Haldane, Kristine Bonnevie, R. Goldschmidt, and N. I.
Vavilov.

Transportation in Ithaca was in charge of C. H. Myers who, with the
help of the local committee, arranged also an excursion to Niagara Falls.

After the congress a group of delegates from England, Finland, Norway,
France, Italy, Belgium, Poland, Denmark and Germany went on a week's
excursion through New England, which had been organized by W. Landaue. They were entertained at Williamstown, Massachusetts, by
Mr. Parmalee Prentice of Mount Hope Farm; at Amherst College
and the Massachusetts State College, at Storrs Agricultural Ex-
periment Station and Cornell Agricultural College, Wesleyan University, Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, Yale University, Wellesley College, and Harvard University. The
last day was spent at the Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole,
Massachusetts, and several of the delegates remained at Woods Hole as
guests of the laboratory. Plans for other excursions had to be abandoned
because of the small number of applicants.

The committee, with the cooperation of the Institute of International
Education and of American colleges, universities and research institutions,
was able to make a number of arrangements for lectures by delegates to
the congress during the fall and to enable them to travel in the United
States and Canada. As a result ten visitors from abroad lectured at twenty-
five institutions.

The committee gratefully acknowledges the receipt of $1500 from Co-
lumbia University which was expended for secretarial assistance be-
tween December 1, 1929 and September 1, 1932; and of $1352.31 from
the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace which was expended for entertainment of foreign delegates in New York as follows:

Lodging and meals ........................................ $ 890.85  
Transportation and communication ..................... 143.31  
Services ..................................................... 193.75  
Printing .................................................... 63.50  
Miscellaneous .............................................. 60.90

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Detailed vouchers for all expenditures are on file in the office of the Bursar of Columbia University.

Mrs. C. H. Hecht and later Mrs. G. W. Little served as secretary to the committee, an arrangement made possible by the generosity of Columbia University.