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The Sixteenth Annual Meeting at Washington, D. C.

This meeting of the Genetics Society of America was held in Washington, D. C. on September 11, 12, and 13, immediately preceding the Centennial Celebration of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Thus it was possible for those who wished, to attend the sessions of the Centenary. The meeting was held in association with several other biological societies under the auspices of the newly organized American Institute of Biological Societies. The arrangements, combined with ideal weather, were certainly conducive to very successful meetings.

The sessions on the first day were held at the George Washington University. The morning session of short papers was attended by somewhat over 150 persons. Although there were not as many demonstration papers in the afternoon as were given at the two preceding meetings, this session was well attended.

The Executive Committee met on Saturday afternoon and, among other items of business of the Society, elected 12 new members; 4 were dropped for non-payment of dues.

President L. H. Snyder had appointed Drs. R. A. Brink, J. H. Crow, C. L. Huskins, and Joshua Lederberg as a program committee to assist in arranging the program for these meetings. This committee decided, among other things, that it was advisable to schedule two concurrent sessions on Sunday morning, September 12, and to leave the afternoon free to the attending members. This decision represents a departure from the previous custom of the Society, but concurrent sessions of short papers appear definitely to be a necessity in the future. Somewhat over 150 persons were in attendance at one or the other of the two sessions.

Following the luncheon at the Hotel Roger Smith, the annual business meeting was held, with over 100 members present. President L. H. Snyder presided. The minutes of the previous meeting were printed in the Records of the Genetics Society of America for 1948 (No. 17) and distributed to all members of the Society. These were approved as printed.

The Treasurer's report up to July 6, 1948 was also printed in the Records for 1948 and had been approved by the Auditing Committee, Drs. R. A. Brink and Joshua Lederberg. A report of receipts and expenditure from July 6 to September 2, 1948, was given by the Treasurer, as follows: balance on hand, July 6 = \$1123.93, plus additional receipts of dues of \$38.00, making a total balance of \$1161.93. The expenditures during that time were \$46.50 for clerical help, \$131.75 for printing, addressing and mailing