

FIFTEENTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON
HYGIENE AND DEMOGRAPHY.

WASHINGTON, D.C., SEPTEMBER 23—28, 1912.

This Congress was originally announced to take place in 1910 (see *Journal of Hygiene*, 1909, vol. ix. pp. 347—356) but the date was subsequently altered to 1912. Certain changes in the organization have been made, as appears from a notice which has recently reached us. This notice states that:

The President of the United States will be the Honorary President of the Congress. Dr Henry P. Walcott, President of the State Board of Health of Massachusetts, will be the active President of the Congress.

The larger responsibilities in relation to public health and vital statistics in the United States are borne by the governments of States and cities. Therefore an Act of Congress has been passed, inviting the States, in terms as follows:

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 12.]

[S. J. Res. 56.]

Joint Resolution Authorizing the President of the United States to invite the States to participate in the Fifteenth International Congress on Hygiene and Demography.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and requested to extend an invitation to the governor of each State to appoint a state committee of not more than five members to cooperate with the committee on organization in planning and preparing the exhibition of the Fifteenth International Congress on Hygiene and Demography.

Approved, January 24, 1910.

In pursuance of this Joint Resolution, the Department of State, under date of February 4, 1911, has sent an invitation to the Governor of each State. From the Governor the invitation is intended to reach the mayors of cities which desire to participate in the Congress or the Exhibition. The letter of the Department of State said expressly that the invitation was meant to include the cities. State Committees will be organized in all the States.

The Department of State has created a Committee on Organization, composed of the fifty-three persons named below.

COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION.

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 GORGAS, DR W. C., Colonel, United States Army, Chief Sanitary Officer Isthmian Canal, Ancon.
 GULICK, DR LUTHER H., Director Department of Child Hygiene, Russell Sage Foundation, New York.
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- HOFFMAN, MR FREDERICK L., Statistician. Prudential Insurance Company, Newark, N. J.
- JACOBI, DR ABRAHAM, Emeritus Professor Pediatrics, College Physicians and Surgeons, New York.
- KOBER, DR GEORGE M., Professor Hygiene, Georgetown University, Washington.
- KOREN, MR JOHN, Statistician, Boston.
- LATHROP, MISS JULIA, Hull House, Chicago.
- LOVETT, DR ROBERT W., Assistant Professor Orthopedic Surgery, Harvard University, Boston.
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- MELVIN, DR A. D., Chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry, Washington.
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- SMITH, DR THEOBALD, Professor Comparative Pathology, Harvard University, Boston.
- STERNBERG, SURGEON-GEN. GEORGE M., United States Army (retired), Washington.
- VAUGHAN, DR VICTOR C., President of the State Board of Health of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- WALCOTT, MR CHARLES D., Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, Washington.
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- WELCH, DR WILLIAM H., President State Board of Health of Maryland, Baltimore.
- WESBROOK, DR FRANK F., Professor Pathology and Bacteriology, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.
- WILBUR, DR CRESSY L., Chief of Division of Vital Statistics, Census Bureau, Washington.
- WILLCOX, WALTER F., Professor Economics and Statistics, Cornell University, Ithaca.
- WILLIAMS, DR CHARLES F., Secretary State Board of Health of South Carolina, Columbia.
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- WYMAN, DR WALTER, Surgeon-General United States Public Health and Marine Hospital Service, Washington.

The Secretary-General is

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and Trust Company, Washington, D.C.

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The Congress is divided into nine sections as follows :

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President : DR HERMANN M. BIGGS, Medical Director, Department Health, New York.

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Secretary : DR CRESSY L. WILBUR, Chief, Division Vital Statistics, Census
Bureau, Washington.

The Congress will be in session six days. There will be two general meetings, the official opening on Monday, September 23, and the closing session on Saturday, the 28th. The rest of the time will be taken up by the Section meetings.

The Exhibition is intended to illustrate the present status and recent progress of public hygiene and vital statistics, especially in the United States. Some foreign countries will send exhibits. The Exhibition will be kept open for a week or more after the Congress. The Director of the Exhibition is

DR J. W. SCHERESCHEWSKY, of the United States Public Health and Marine Hospital Service.

Active membership is open to persons interested in public health or vital statistics, on payment of the membership fee of \$5.00. Active members are entitled to take part in the discussions and to receive the published transactions.

Inquiries and applications for membership should be sent to

The Secretary-General of the XVth International Congress on Hygiene and Demography, Army Medical Museum, Washington, D.C.

Note. The Regulations governing the International Congress of Hygiene and Demography, the lists of Members of the Permanent International Commission of the Congresses and of the British National Committee for the Congresses, are given in the *Journ. of Hygiene*, ix. pp. 349—356. ED.