

The Academy Conference

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In 1926 at the Philadelphia meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science a committee of five representatives of the affiliated academies, including Dr. A. Richards of this academy, was appointed to make plans for future conferences. With the exception of the war years of 1942 and 1943, meetings have been held in connection with each annual meeting of the A.A.A.S. The 1948 session was held under the chairmanship of the speaker.

The 1952 meeting at St. Louis was attended by representatives of 29 of the 38 academies which are currently affiliated and active. Among committee reports were those from the committee to study cooperation between academies, and the committee to study cooperation between the academies and the conference. Both of these committees were continued with a revision of membership to include your representative. Subjects of round table discussions included: Responsibilities of Academies of Science in Promoting Improvement in the Teaching of Science in the Public Schools; the Relations of Academies of Science to College Students; The Relations of Academies of Science to the Public; and The Relations of Academies of Science to the Press.
