

## INAUGURAL REMARKS OF THE PRESIDENT

**I** CONSIDER it appropriate that at this time we rededicate ourselves to that task for which our Society was founded—that of advancing the knowledge in the science of photogrammetry.

Although during this national emergency our regular work and responsibilities have increased, I urge all of you to do everything in your power for the advancement of photogrammetry for it is going to play a very important part in the defense of our country.

Remember that our duty is to foster a real spirit of understanding of this science among engineers. Yet, what could we do without the necessary funds to continue the mapping which is vitally needed? Therefore, our educational and campaign work should include legislators all over America. We have to convince them that accurate detailed maps are needed for our defense and for our economic and cultural progress and that only by photogrammetric methods can such mapping be carried out efficiently, economically, and expeditiously.

I have a big job ahead of me. However, I am counting on your loyal support. Let us all do our bit, one way or another, to keep the American Society of Photogrammetry strong, healthy, and progressive.

## REPORT OF THE SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PHOTOGRAMMETRY

**I**NCREASED attention was focused on the science of photogrammetry as a result of the Seventh Annual Meeting of the American Society of Photogrammetry held at the National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D. C., from January 22 to 24, 1941. This is considered one of the most interesting and successful meetings since the formation of the Society. Papers were timely and of universal interest as evidenced by the largest attendance yet experienced during an annual meeting, reaching an unprecedented number of 322 for a single meeting.

The first day of the meeting was devoted to registration of members and guests, placing of exhibits and the annual business meeting. Due to unusual demands on manufacturers under existing conditions, some apprehension was felt for the exhibit feature of the meeting. Fortunately this proved unwarranted as exhibit material was more extensive than in former years.

Each successive annual meeting seems to bring increased quantity and increased attractiveness of exhibits. The list of commercial exhibitors included Abrams Instrument Company, Aero Service Corporation, Agfa-Ansco Corporation, Bausch and Lomb Optical Company, Eastman Kodak Company, Fairchild Aviation Corporation, Fairchild Aerial Surveys, Inc., J. G. Saltzman, Inc., Mark Hurd Air Mapping Corporation, Polaroid Corporation, Society for Visual Education, Inc., and W. S. Park, Inc. Exhibits prepared by the following Federal Agencies were on display: Agricultural Adjustment Administration, Soil Conservation Service, 30th Engineer Topographic Battalion of the U. S. Army, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, U. S. Geological Survey and Works Progress Administration.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer, which appears in this issue, was read and approved. The committee chairmen made a report on the work accomplished during the past year by their respective committees. These reports were followed by brief accounts of the activities of the Texas Section and the Tennessee Valley Section of the Society.