## NEWS DEPARTMENT

## Meeting of Learned Societies

The Pacific Association of Scientific Societies will hold its third annual meeting at the University of California, April 10, 11, 12, 1913. The Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association will, however, not hold a meeting, as it has changed its annual meeting time to November. The Pacific Association is composed of the following constituent societies:

The Technical Society of the Pacific Coast, The Cordilleran Section of the Geological Society of America, the Seismological Society of America, Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association, The Pacific Slope Association of Economic Entomologists, Pacific Coast Palaeontological Society, The Philological Association of the Pacific Coast, The Cooper Ornithological Club, California Academy of Sciences, Biological Society of the Pacific Coast, California Section of the American Chemical Society, Astronomical Society of the Pacific, The Geographical Society of the Pacific, Puget Sound Section of the American Chemical Society, California Section of the Archælogical Institute of America.

The association represents a membership of about 2,400. Eleven of the fifteen societies will hold annual meetings at Berkeley; and the San Francisco Section of the American Mathematical Society will hold its annual meeting at the same time and place.

From the University of Washington Professors, Kincaid, Benham, Sage, Trumbull, Neikirk, Hart, Weaver and Bowman will attend their respective societies and the General Session of the Pacific Association on Saturday evening, April 12th. From the State College at Pullman Professors McCully and Shaw will attend.

## Provincial University of British Columbia

Historians and educators are keenly interested in the progress of the Provincial University of British Columbia. Stray news items declare that a large amount of public lands has been set aside for the partial support of the institution and a money appropriation of \$5,000,000 has been made to establish it on a substantial basis. The site has been chosen at Point Gray near Vancouver. Now comes the information that the authorities have engaged Franklin Fairchild Wesbrook as an important member of the educational staff. Doctor Wesbrook is now Dean of the College