the following committee: Walter E. Fernald, M.D., Waverley, Massachusetts; J. M. Murdoch, M.D., Polk, Pennsylvania; H. A. Haines, M.D., LaPeer, Michigan; F. Kuhlman, M.D., Faribault, Minnesota; George Mogridge, M.D., Glenwood, Iowa.

## NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

The third annual meeting of the National Society for the Promotion of Occupational Therapy was held in Chicago, September 8th to 11th, 1919. The attendance was large and great interest was taken in its sessions.

A business meeting was held Monday morning, September 8th, in Bowen Hall, at which reports of officers and committees were heard and acted upon. The following officers were also elected to serve for one year: President, Mrs. Eleanor Clarke Slagle, of the Henry Favill School of Occupations, Chicago; Vice-President, Dr. Herbert J. Hall, Devereux Mansion, Marblehead, Mass.; Treasurer, Miss Marion R. Taber, 348 Lexington Ave., New York City; Secretary, Mr. Louis J. Haas, Bloomingdale Hospital, White Plains, N.Y.; Member of Board of Management, Mrs. E. C. Slagle (to serve 5 years); Chairman of Committees: Research and Efficiency, Mr. Thos. B. Kidner, 348 Fourth Ave., N.Y.; Teaching Methods, Miss Elsey Taft, Walter Reed Hospital, Takoma Park, D.C.; Installations and Advice, Mrs. E. C. Slagle; Finance, Publicity and Publications, Dr. W. R. Dunton, Jr.; Admissions and Positions, Miss Susan C. Johnson.

In the afternoon the meeting was formally opened by addresses of welcome by Dr. H. Douglas Singer, Director of Illinois State Psychopathic Institute, and Miss Jane Addams, of Hull House. Response was made by the President, Dr. Dunton, after which the following papers were read.

Dr. G. Canby Robinson made an address upon The Use of Occupational Therapy in the Management and Treatment of Heart Disease. He showed that psychic rest is as important as physical rest and that this could be secured by properly applied occupation. He had also found that it is possible to test functional efficiency much better by observation of the patient in the shop than by the usual functional tests. It is possible to prevent cardiac repeaters.

Dr. Herbert J. Hall spoke on Grading and Systematizing the Therapeutic Occupations. He thought there is danger of too broad advancement and that the limitations and possibilities of occupational therapy should be carefully studied.

Dr. Arthur J. Jones, Professor of Secondary Education, University of Pennsylvania then made an address in which he emphasized that the