APS Plans 100th Anniversary Meeting

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The American Pomological Society will be 100 years old in 1948 and plans are being made for a meeting which will properly observe this occasion.

At its last annual meeting, the Society accepted the invitation of the Missouri and Illinois State Horticultural Societies to hold the 100th Anniversary Meeting in St. Louis, February 17, 18 and 19, 1948. The meeting will be held in the Jefferson Hotel, which has splendid facilities for such a gathering, including ample space for exhibits.

Affiliated Organizations to Participate

The meeting has been designated as the Centennial Fruit Congress, and in addition to the host societies of Missouri and Illinois, other organizations represented will include the American Society for Horticultural Science, the National Apple Institute, the National Peach Council, and the American Association of Nurserymen. The American Pomological Society sponsored the first two of these organizations, and has worked closely with the other two. Representa-

tives of several other state horticultural societies will also be present.

Outstanding Speaking Program

Several speakers will be furnished by the organizations listed above. One session will be devoted to international fruit growing, with speakers from other countries. A banquet will be held the evening of Feb. 18 featuring one or two prominent speakers in the horticultural field, and the awarding of the Wilder Medals.

The theme of the meeting will be "One Hundred Years of Progress in Fruit Growing and a Glimpse of the Future." The program and exhibits will be based on this theme. An exhibit of apple varieties and processed fruits will be shown.

Local arrangements for the meeting, including the exhibits, are being made by W. R. Martin, Jr., Secretary, Missouri State Horticultural Society, and C. C. Mast, Secretary, Illinois State Horticultural Society. The program is being planned by the American Pomological Society.

This should be a great meeting. Plan now to attend.

