

MISSOURI CHAPTER, AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY

THIRD ANNUAL MEETING, FEBRUARY 19, 1965

Place: Student Union, University of Missouri, Columbia

President: Mr. John L. Funk called the meeting to order and acknowledged visiting speaker, Mr. Harvey Willoughby, Division of Hatcheries, Bureau of Sport Fisheries & Wildlife.

Reading of the Minutes: Willis D. Hanson, Secretary-Treasurer.

Report on the Overall Society: P. G. Barnickol reviewed briefly the past year's accomplishments and events, and he gave some highlights of the parent Society's meeting at Atlantic City. He reviewed discussions that promoted a membership drive leading to the hiring of an Executive Secretary.

The problem was that the Society's Secretary, Elwood "Woody" Seaman, had served notice of his retirement in September, 1965. He had served gratis for several years and the job was becoming too demanding. Items such as 800 address changes, storage space, and rental problems were beyond volunteer help basis.

The Society would be 100 years old in 1970, with a membership then of 132. Since World War II, growth has been rapid, approaching nearly 4,000 in 1965.

NEW BUSINESS

President Funk: Called a report of the By-Laws Committee.

Otto Fajen: Chairman of By-Laws Committee presented membership previously with a copy of By-Laws and now asked for acceptance. They were closely modeled after those of Illinois.

P. G. Barnickol: Second

Ralph Steppe: Asked for resume, but after some discussion with Fajen, the group elected not to read the By-Laws since they had previously been seen by all.

President Funk: Question to Membership -- Vote was unanimously in favor of acceptance. He stated that we are now in a position to become an official Chapter and that he would send a letter to the parent Society for official recognition.

OLD BUSINESS

President Funk: Called for any old business. There was none, but P.G. Barnickol informed Membership of the joint meeting of the International Game & Fish Commissioners and the American Fisheries Society to be held in September, 1966 at Kansas City. He said many arrangements had already been made and extended an invitation to all to attend. He further warned of 10 committees that the host state must provide.

Report of Nominating Committee:

President Funk: Called Chairman of the Nominating Committee to report.

Robert S. Campbell: As Chairman of the Committee consisting of Jack Coats, P. G. Barnickol and himself had selected a slate of proposed officers. These were:

President: Jim Kahrs  
Vice-President: Dick Anderson  
Sec.-Treasurer: That this office succeed to the person now holding it.

Dr. Campbell moved that the nominees be elected.

President Funk: Called for any nominations from the floor.

P. G. Barnickol: Moved nominations be closed. This was seconded.

Robert Campbell: Moved a unanimous ballot.

Stan Heidson: Seconded motion.

President Funk: Called for motion and declared a unanimous ballot.

New officers were escorted to platform.

President Kahrs: Thanked Chapter and commented on the day's usefulness to fisheries people as a group. He also singled out George Fleener's considerable efforts during the year on the membership drive. He then called for other business.

P. G. Barnickol: Suggested we continue to invite distinguished out-of-state guests to speak on timely subjects of interest to fisheries people. He rendered the observation that this was an excellent feature of our meeting.

President Kahrs: Agreed with this statement, feeling that it helped attendance. He thanked those responsible for doing this.

George Fleener: Observed that we had 106 in attendance in 1965, whereas we had 80 in 1964.

Dick Anderson: Said that he would welcome suggestions for next year's program.

Robert Campbell: Moved a vote of appreciation for Past-President Funk's efforts. This was forthcoming.

President Kahrs: Asked for adjournment.

John Funk: Seconded.

Adjournment.