#### REPORT OF THE FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING

#### WESTERN DIVISION, AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY

By Fred A. Thompson, Secretary

June 15, 16, 17, 1952

The various Committees of the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society were appointed on June 23, 1951 to function throughout the ensuing year. They were as follows:

#### Program

Lewis R. Garlick, Chairman Willis A. Evans Leo T. Murray

# Resolutions

A.F.C. Greene, Chairman M. J. Madsen Alan C. Taft W. R. Seeman Paul R. Needham

#### Nominations

James C. Simpson R. E. Barker Jack E. Bailey Thomas J. Trelease William F. Sigler

#### Publicity and Arrangements

Charles K. Phenicie Fred W. Johnson Joseph M. Halterman

The auditing committee was appointed at the 1952 meeting composed of:

M. J. Madsen Roy E. Barker Walter M. Allen

The Fourth Annual meeting (1952) was held jointly with the Western Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners at the many glaciers hotel, Glacier National Park, Montana, on June 15, 16 and 17. The two organizations met in general session during the morning period to discuss papers and problems of general nature. The afternoon of each day was devoted entirely to sessions of the Western Division. On the morning of June 17, the group held a discussion on the operations of the Dingell-Johnson Act within the states and the types of projects most suited to federal aid.

The papers that were presented were exceptionally good in their text and they did stimulate lively discussions. The program committee deserves special mention for a good piece of work.

Brought Forward Registration at Phoenix Membership (active) Breakfast A. S. Hazzard Western Division Expenses Membership reimbursement to Sec.	49.84 54.00 36.00	1.60 50.00 36.00
	139.84	87.60
Balance on Hand June 15, 1952	52.24	

Audited by - Auditing Committee

No registration fee was charged by the Division at this meeting but a one dollar (\$1.00) fee was charged by all persons attending both meetings to cover expenses.

Since the closing of the books, no money was taken in and none expended. As of this date, July 15th, the bank balance is \$52.24.

#### OFFICERS ELECTED TO SERVE 1952-1953

Clarence	F. Pautzke	Chairman
A. F. C.	Greene	Vice-Chairman
Lewis R.	Garlick	Secretary

#### RESOLUTIONS

- Favoring HR-7845 and S-2403 bills now in Congress Passed.
- Consideration of Fisheries Resources in the planning of any future water utilization projects - Passed.
- Collection and Distribution of Dingell-Johnson Information Passed. Commendation of hospitality Passed.
- Interstate shipment of live fish (tabled for further consideration). Motion to appoint a legislative committee for the Division to report at the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted

FRED A. THOMPSON, Secretary Western Division American Fisheries Society

#### HEBULUTION NO. 1

(Favoring S. R. 7854 and S. 2103)

WHENEAS, many of the western states of the nation have extensive Federal lands within their borders, and

WHEREAS, fish and game are present within these areas which are administered by various Federal agencies and military posts, and in some instances are limited only to access by personnel approved by these agencies or military posts, and

WHEREAS, all laws of the past and present recognize that the fish and game of the nation are the property of all the people of the nation and held in trust for them by the State agencies so designated.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society does hereby recommend the passage by Congress of H. R. 785h and its companion bill S. 2h03 which provide that any fishing or hunting on Federally owned or managed lands must be done in accordance with the game and fish laws of the state or states wherein these lands are located.

AND BE IT FUETHER RESCLIVED that the Secretary of the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society so advise the Directors of the Came and Fish Departments of the several western states so that they may take appropriate action with their respective Congressional delegations.

Adopted by the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society Fourth Annual Meeting hald in Clacier Mational Park, Montana June 17, 1952

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2

(Consideration of Fisheries Resources in the Planning of Any Future Water Utilization Project)

WHEREAS, our wildlife resources are essential to the future welfare and recreation of the people of the United States and Canada, and must be perpetuated as an important part of their national economies, and

WHEREAS, water for recreational needs and the maintenance of wildlife resources is necessary to the economy of the member states and provinces of the Western Division, and

WHEREAS, water for such use is being given too low a priority on the list of "multiple beneficial uses", and

WHEREAS, all western states have numerous water utilization projects proposed by individuals, groups or agencies within their respective boundaries which will detrimentally affect and sometimes even eliminate valuable downstream fisheries, and

WHEREAS, the replacement or improvement of these waters for fisheries purposes entails the expenditure of large amounts of State and Federal funds which might otherwise be utilized for beneficial fish and wildlife purposes,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society strongly advocate that in the planning of any future water utilization projects that full consideration of either the maintenance of existing fisheries values, or their replacement in kind, be made a part of the project plan, and that water use priorities for fish and wildlife purposes be based upon the investigational studies of the agencies responsible for the fish and game management of the areas concerned.

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## RESOLUTION NO. 3

(Collection and Distribution of Dingell-Johnson Information)

WHEREAS, the members of the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society believe that the exchange of information on inland fisheries investigations and management activities is desirable, and

WHEREAS, there is now no clearing house for such information, and since it appears that the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the best equipped to act in that capacity,

NOW THEREFORE HE IT RESCLVED, that the Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service be requested to initiate the necessary action whereby the Dingell-Johnson Division of Federal Aid will collect such information on fisheries research and management activities of the various States as part of their administrative activities, and make such information available to the several states and other interested agencies, in a form similar to that now being used in disseminating the commercial fishery abstracts.

Adopted by the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society Fourth Annual Meeting held in Glacier National Park, Montana June 17, 1952

### RESOLUTION NO. L

(Commendation of Hospitality)

WHEREAS, the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society has been extended many privileges and graciously entertained, and

WHEREAS, the members and guests have enjoyed extraordinary courtesies,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Society expresses its sincere appreciation and gratitude to Mr. J. W. Emmert, Superintendent of Glacier National Park, and his staff; to the State of Montana; the Montana Federated Sportsmen's Association; and the Montana Game and Fish Department, its Director and the other Department personnel who have made this a very successful meeting.

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#### RESOLUTION NO. 5

(Interstate Shipment of Live Fish)

WHEREAS, the fisheries management of the member states of the Western Division includes the control of the various fish species within these states, including their introduction, and

WHEREAS, the introduction of undesirable fish species is potentially detrimental to the waters of the states in question,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society advocates the passage of appropriate Federal legislation prohibiting the interstate shipment or transportation of any fish species in a live state except with the explicit approval of the states concerned.

(tabled for further consideration)

#### MOTION

Moved by A. F. C. Greene (Wyoming), seconded by Legenary Shapovalov (California) that a standing legislative committee be named whose primary function shall be the collection and analysis of all new legislation pertaining to fish and game matters passed in the several western states between annual meetings; and that the legislation considered to be most favorable to the enhancement of fisheries management within the various western states be distributed to all member states of the Western Division. Also any information relative to controversial legislation either passed or defeated shall be called to the attention of all member states.

Passed unanimously by the
Western Division of the American Fisheries Society
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Attendance at 4th annual meeting Glacier Park June 15-17 1952

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