

Report of the Twelfth Annual Meeting

Western Division, American Fisheries Society
Cliff Millenbach, Secretary

June 20 and 21, 1960

The Twelfth Annual Meeting of the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society was held in Salt Lake City, Utah, in conjunction with the 40th Annual Meeting of the Western Association of Game and Fish Commissioners on June 20, 21 and 22, 1960. An unusually fine program covering topics of fishery management, fish culture and pesticides was developed by Program Chairman, Don Andirano. Dual sessions permitted a broader program and provided interest to a greater number of members. Problems of pollution, fish nutrition and diseases and fish toxicants were included in the discussions.

The meeting was held at the Hotel Utah Motor Lodge, a most modern and expansive facility. Meeting rooms were more than adequate and fine air conditioning added much to the enjoyment of the meeting. Attendance of more than 100 members was approximately double the number who attended the first provisional meeting of the Western Division in Salt Lake City twelve years ago.

The attendance of American Fisheries Society President, Dr. James Moffett, and Secretary-treasurer, E. A. Seaman, highlighted the meeting.

New officers elected to carry on the business of the Society were as follows:

Chairman	Forrest Hauck Idaho Department of Fish and Game, Boise, Idaho
Vice-Chairman	Cliff Millenbach Washington Department of Game, Olympia, Washington
Secretary-Treasurer	Fred Locke Oregon Game Commission, Portland, Oregon

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The business meeting of the 12th Annual meeting of the Western Division American Fisheries Society was called to order by chairman Bob McMyrn at 5:05 P.M., June 21, 1960 in the Hotel Utah Motor Lodge, Salt Lake City, Utah. Fifty-two members, including President James Moffett and Secretary-Treasurer Woody Seaman, were in attendance.

After determining that a quorum was present, the chairman commended Don Andriano and the members of the Program Committee for an excellent program. He pointed out that the high attendance reflected the quality and excellence of the papers presented. In reviewing the activities of the Division during the past year, the chairman pointed out that resolutions of the previous meeting had been complied with. The Resolution Committee had been appointed soon after the meeting and this year's program included a panel discussion on insecticides and herbicides. The chairman further pointed out the serious lack of new members, with only one membership application received during the year. He called for active interest in the affairs of the Western Division and the Parent Society to strengthen both groups and to aid in furthering the aims of the American Fisheries Society. Chairman McMyrn discussed the development and purpose of resolutions and made special reference to the final disposition of the 1959 Resolution #3, dealing with public access from new highways, which was offered to and passed by the Parent Society. For further clarification on the handling of resolutions by the Parent Society, Woody Seaman was called on.

Mr. Seaman expressed pleasure in being able to attend the meeting and to observe the vigor and enthusiasm of the Western Division. Woody pointed out that the western members can and probably will markedly effect the activities of the Society in the future and urged everyone to attend the Denver meeting. The handling of resolutions of the Society involves multi-lithing and distribution by personal letters on resolutions calling for distribution. Both U.S. and Canadian authorities and agencies were contacted on the Public Access resolution with excellent response. The Society letterhead calling attention to the 90-year life of the organization, gets response.

Woody discussed the news letter requesting information for it as well as comments. It is intended to serve the wants and needs of the membership. Other materials and services supplied through the Secretary's office include the "Fisheries as a Profession" brochure, issues of the transactions, membership lists and frequent notes on important legislation. In addition, the Secretary discussed the need for a sound business method in the handling of finances of the Society. To facilitate business, dues will be billed on a calendar year basis.

Next, President James Moffett was requested to give a few remarks. President Moffett expressed pleasure in attendance and commended the quality, timeliness and coverage of the papers. He also commended the work of Secretary Woody Seaman, who is responsible for all of the activities of the

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Society concerned with service. President Moffett explained that the Society is working arduously towards higher professional recognition. He also expressed belief that the Western Division was a good potential field for men to carry the program of the Parent Society and hoped that western members would be among those in active positions.

President Moffett referred to the Denver meeting in September, complimenting Wayne Seamen for the fine work in completing an excellent program well in advance of the meeting. He requested all possible participation in the meeting, as attendance is vital to the strength of the organization.

President Moffett explained that many groups and organizations are calling on the American Fisheries Society to share and carry more of the conservation load, both the sports and commercial fisheries. In attempting to meet this, the Society will attempt to improve its services, which will be extremely difficult without paid executives.

In discussing the publication of papers, the president explained that publication of Western Division papers in the proceedings of the Western Association would not prejudice them for publication in the Transactions. Attendance at the National Meeting is not mandatory for publication of papers. Completed papers of proper quality should be sent to Lloyd Smith. In closing, President Moffett repeated his "genuine" pleasure in attending the meeting. Next, the chairman called for the Secretary-Treasurer's report.

On a motion by Stu Smith and a second by George Eicher, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was suspended. The Secretary-Treasurer's report was that one new membership application had been received, that nearly 500 notices of the meeting were mailed out and that the business of the organization was carried on without cost, thanks to the Washington State Department of Game. On a motion by Lee Shapavallov and a second by George Eicher, the Secretary's report was accepted and approved as read.

Auditing Committee chairman Roy Baker reported no expenditures during the year and the bank balance of \$75.98. He explained that the financial records appeared to be in order. Pete Green moved that the Auditing Report be accepted. The motion was carried after a second by Chuck Campbell.

Resolutions Committee chairman Stuart Smith presented five resolutions for consideration. Each was read and moved for approval by Stu Smith and each was approved as read with exception of Resolution #4 after receiving a required second. Resolution #4 originally called for a change in the term of office for the chairman. After considerable discussion by Bob Meigs, E. L. Perry, Lee Shapavallov, and George Eicher, the chairman requested Mr. Perry to re-write the resolution. After its revision, it was again offered for resolution by Stu Smith, and a second by George Eicher and was then carried.

The Nominating Committee next proposed a new slate of officers as follows: Forrest Hauck, Chairman, Idaho Department of Fish and Game; Cliff Millenbach, Vice-Chairman, Washington Department of Game; Fred Locke, Secretary-Treasurer, Oregon Game Commission. On a motion by George Eicher and a second by Chuck Sowards, nominations were closed.

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The report of the Nominating Committee was approved and the new officers were elected by unanimous vote. In receiving the mythical gavel from Bob McMyrn, Forrest Hauck expressed appreciation for the opportunity to serve the group and stated that he would do his best to maintain the high tradition established by his predecessors and would promote the interest and needs of this growing organization.

Chuck Sowards made inquiry to the Parent Society Secretary concerning the possibility of all papers published in the Quarterly containing a summary as preferred over an abstract. Discussions that followed indicated that there was a considerable difference between an abstract and a summary and that many papers did not offer a summary. Woody Seaman suggested a letter on this to the editor.

Forrest Hauck adjourned the meeting at 6:20 P.M.

COMMITTEES

Nominating Committee	E. L. Perry, Chairman Bob Meigs Chuck Campbell Jim Simpson Lee Shapavalov
Resolutions Committee	Stuart Smith, Chairman John Rayner Jack Bailey Robert Parker Forrest Hauck
Auditing Committee	Ray Baker, Chairman Fred Eiserman
Program Committee	Don Andriano, Chairman Fred Beal Howard Tanner

RESOLUTION I

WHEREAS, the key to the solution of most problems in Fish and Game Management lies in research, and,

WHEREAS, the need for the solution to these many problems is pressing, and,

WHEREAS, there is more effort being put forth in trouble shooting than in research, and,

WHEREAS, the problems only temporarily eliminated by trouble shooting, could be completely solved by research,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society, through its secretary, actively encourage State and Federal agencies in the western United States and Provincial and Federal agencies in western Canada, by copy of this resolution to expand their activities in fisheries research, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be sent to the Parent Society recommending similar action at the national level.

RESOLUTION II

WHEREAS, there has been an intensive program during the past decade in the development of hydroelectric projects in order to keep ahead of power demands and,

WHEREAS, this development will be even more intensive in the next decade until the remaining economical hydro sites are developed and,

WHEREAS, many of the remaining economical hydro sites are in streams which have important runs of anadromous fishes and many of these are high dam sites and,

WHEREAS, fishery research in safe passage and protection of fish at high dams is lagging in comparison to the rate of development of high dams and many of the fish passage and protective facilities being proposed are based upon opinion rather than facts,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society, in session at Salt Lake City, Utah, June 21, 1960, does hereby petition the Congress of the United States to provide funds for an accelerated research program to solve the problems of safe fish passage at high dams and that appropriate action be taken by Congress and the governmental regulatory agencies concerned to provide for the orderly development of multiple-use water projects to the benefit of the public welfare;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Resolutions Committee of the American Fisheries Society for similar action; to congressional delegates of the western States and to other government agencies concerned with water resource development, including the Federal Power Commission, the Bureau of Reclamation, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and to appropriate provincial and federal government agencies in Canada.

RESOLUTION III

WHEREAS, there has been an acceleration in development and use of new pesticides for the control of noxious animals and plants and,

WHEREAS, there is being developed accelerated programs of research on the effects of pesticides on fish and wildlife by federal, state and, private agencies, without coordination of these efforts and,

WHEREAS, there is no well defined area of responsibility in educating the general public in the wise and proper use of these pesticides, as well as their detrimental effects upon other natural resources,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society, in meeting at Salt Lake City, Utah, June 21, 1960, does point out the need for closer cooperation among all agencies concerned with the development, use and the effects of pesticides and does urge the federal regulatory agencies, including the Departments of Interior, Agriculture and Health, Education and Welfare, to provide the needed coordination in research on and regulation of pesticides and in educating the public in the proper use thereof; that copies of this resolution be sent to the parent society, congressional delegates of the western States, state conservation agencies of the western States and to the Secretaries of Agriculture, Health, Education and Welfare and Interior, and to provincial and federal departments of Health and Welfare, Agriculture and Forestry in Canada.

RESOLUTION IV

WHEREAS, the attendance and interest in the program of the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society has grown substantially in recent years, and,

WHEREAS, there is a need for a more active participation in the affairs and aims of the Parent Society and,

WHEREAS, there are several professional fishery organizations in the west with somewhat similar interests and aims,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the incoming chairman appoint a committee of three to study this complex relationship of professional fishery societies in the west and to make a report with recommendations at the next annual meeting.

RESOLUTION V

WHEREAS, The Utah State Department of Fish and Game Director, Harold S. Crane, and many other employees of the Department, by great personal effort programmed the most successful and interesting meeting and,

WHEREAS, many local private organizations contributed generously to the hospitality and,

WHEREAS, the facilities furnished by the Hotel Utah Motor Lodge provided excellent facilities,

LET IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED that the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society does hereby express gratitude and appreciation for the excellent hospitality and excellent program which contributed immeasurably towards the success of the 12th Annual Meeting.