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ANNUAL MEETING:

Well, someone has accomplished something during the summer months, least-ways, as far as the Wildlife Society is concerned. President Ray Dasmann has informed this newsletter editor of the following:

The 5th Annual Meeting of the California Section of the Wildlife Society is scheduled to be held at the University of California campus at Davis, January 31-February 2, 1958. Robert Rudd will be in charge of arrangements for the meetings and taking care of the accommodations for the increasing attendance at these meetings. Lowell Adams is program chairman and his tentative agenda of the meeting will involve:

1. Panel on public relations consisting of a representative of the State Legislature, Fish and Game, rancher, and a sportsman.
2. A 1/2 day session on fisheries.
3. Remaining session on game management or related wildlife subjects.

Lowell is aware that there is going to be need for speakers so he is requesting now that those people who are contemplating attending the meeting and desirous of presenting papers to consider submitting their abstracts as soon as possible. Send your abstract to Lowell Adams, California Forest and Range Experimental Station, Susanville Research Center, Susanville, California.

There will be more on the annual meeting in the next newsletter, but the success of the meeting is largely dependent upon those people who participate. Let us not delay too long.

MEMBERSHIP:

It may be of surprize to many of our members to learn that Dr. A. Starker Leopold is now President of the National Wildlife Society. Certainly, our California Section should feel honored that one of our members is the president. In addition, another member Dr. Charles F. Yocom of Humboldt State College is the regional representative.

The 23rd North American Wildlife Conference will be held March 3-5, 1958 in St. Louis, Missouri. Former California Fish and Gamer, Bob Paul, who is now with the Sport Fishing Institute, is the Chairman of the technical session at the conference. Bob Jones, Regional Manager of Region III is chairman for the Big Game Resources Session. The deadline for scheduling speakers to this important wild life meeting is November 15.

To encourage participation by California members in the North American Wildlife Conference, the California Section will underwrite the transportation costs or a portion thereof to any one or more of its members who can qualify by virtue of being a chairman of a technical session or presenting an outstanding paper.

In accordance with this policy, last spring, the President and Council Members approved a \$100.00 reimbursement to Lee M. Talbot for his excellent paper on the subject of the land use and its relationship to wildlife in Africa and Asia. The transactions of the 22nd North American Wildlife Conference should be available in print, now or very shortly.

LOCAL MEETINGS:

In reference to meetings of the Society, the members in and about Susanville area have followed in the footsteps of those in Sacramento and Berkeley areas in having local meetings. Their last meeting was August 24th, when they had as a guest speaker, Dr. David E. Davis of John Hopkins who talked on "Animal behavior and population dynamics".

The meetings in the Sacramento area were suspended during the summer, but as soon as a satisfactory solution can be worked out to take care of the refreshments, the meetings will be resumed. Some "fall guy" invariably had to be hooked for the beer. The last meeting was held at the Sacramento Junior Museum. Bob Steele, who formerly worked for the Fish and Game, spoke on the work he is doing presently. Steele is on loan from the U. S. National Park Service to a foundation interested in making a survey of the public recreational value of Pacific coastal lands. Apparently such a study was completed some years ago on the East coast, but due to the population density and the increase in land values, there remained little land to reserve for public recreation. He expressed some optimism that this will not necessarily be the case on the Pacific coast.

PERSONALS:

Walter Howard expects to return to Davis around the end of November. He will have put nearly a year in New Zealand on a Fulbright Fellowship relative to population work on rodents. He should be able to give us some interesting observations on the wildlife down under.

Bill Longhurst is enroute to Africa. It is rumored that he is to collect reproductive data on the rhinoceros. Save the rino stomachs, Bill.

F. Dale Home, formerly with the waterfowl project, is now with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game as a Game Conservation Officer. Kozlik seemed to think he'd be working with waterfowl, but then Frank is prejudiced, and it is inconceivable to him that waterfowl boys can do anything else.

Jerome Mankins is now an instructor at the Lassen Junior College teaching subjects in zoology. Jerry's work on the Barton's Flat Deer Herd has been put out in mimeographed form, and is one of the best such studies done to date.

A new addition to Sacramento wildlife fauna is Wayne Bohl, who until recently was with the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish. Wayne is with the F.W.S. on Rivers Basin Studies. He is working with Arthur Einarsen on a publication on the band-tailed pigeon.

CAREER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission recently sent out announcements for the positions of Laboratory technician I (\$285-\$400), Laboratory technician II (\$380-\$470), Big game biologist I (\$340-\$400), and Big game biologist II (\$380-\$470). Inquiries can be directed to Wildlife Restoration Division, Game and Fish Commission, Box 378, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS:

"Deer of New Mexico" by E. M. Lang, published by the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish. Available free - New Mexico Dept. of Game and Fish, Box 2060 Santa Fe, New Mexico.

'California Range Land by L. T. Burcham, available for \$3.12 from the State Printing Division Documents Section, Sacramento, and published by Division of Forestry, Dept. of Natural Resources, State of California.

NOTE:

Appended to this Newsletter is the only available mailing list of members. If there has been any change of address on the part of any listed member, we would appreciate the correct address for our recordsThe Editor:

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