

The following resolutions were adopted:

1. WHEREAS, it is highly desirable to save the wild life in the state, the Oklahoma Academy of Science places itself on record as favoring the making of all state, municipal or other public lands and waters into game preserves.

2. WHEREAS, hawks and owls have been shown by the United States Biological Survey to be of far more benefit to agriculture than injury, the Oklahoma Academy of Science places itself on record against the bill now pending in the Oklahoma legislature to put a bounty on these birds.

3. WHEREAS, the Oklahoma Academy of Science wishes to encourage research in all branches of science, and good library facilities are absolutely necessary for such work, the Oklahoma Academy of Science places itself on record in favor of passing the bill now before the Oklahoma legislature to appropriate \$50,000 to establish a State Industrial Library at the University of Oklahoma.

4. WHEREAS, it is to the best interest of science in the United States to have the metric system to be the standard of weights, the Oklahoma Academy of Science places itself on record in favor of the bill now pending before the United States Congress to change from our present standard of weights to the metric system.

5. WHEREAS, complete protection of the natural parks of the United States is essential to the happiness of the people for all generations to come, and

WHEREAS, the Smith bill which has recently passed the United States Senate and is now pending in the House, and also the Walsh bill, pending in the Senate, would throw open the Yellowstone National Park to predatory wealth, thus depriving the people of one of the most beautiful pleasure spots in the world, the Oklahoma Academy of Science places itself on record as being opposed to both of these bills.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

*President*, J. B. Thoburn, Oklahoma City.

*First Vice-president*, Guy Y. Williams, Norman.

*Second Vice-president*, R. O. Whinton, Stillwater.

*Secretary*, L. B. Nice, Norman.

*Treasurer*, H. L. Dodge, Norman.

*Curator*, Fred Bullard, Norman.

L. B. NICE,  
*Secretary*

NORMAN, OKLA.

#### THE WESTERN SOCIETY OF NATURALISTS—NORTHWEST SECTION

THE Northwest Section of the Western Society of Naturalists met at the Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Friday and Saturday, November 26 and 27, 1920. The following papers were presented at the session Friday afternoon:

*Explosion of crab spermatozoa*: NATHAN FASTEN, Oregon Agricultural College.

*Some early botanists of the Northwest* (illustrated): ALBERT R. SWEETSER, University of Oregon.

*A fossil cetacean from the Miocene of Newport, Oregon*: E. L. PACKARD, University of Oregon.

*Neuromotor apparatus in ciliates*: H. B. YOCOM, University of Oregon.

*Records in eugenics*: CATHERINE W. BEEKLEY, University of Oregon.

Friday evening a dinner to the visiting biologists was given at Waldo Hall by the Biological Club of Oregon Agricultural College. The program following the dinner consisted of a symposium on "Biology in its relation to the development of the Northwest." The subject was discussed from the following standpoints:

*Forestry*: H. S. NEWENS, Oregon Agricultural College.

*Horticulture*: W. S. BROWN, Oregon Agricultural College.

*Zoology*: TREVOR KINCAID, University of Washington.

*Fisheries*: E. VICTOR SMITH, University of Washington.

*Fish Parasitism*: NATHAN FASTEN, Oregon Agricultural College.

*Biological Stations*: GEO. B. RIGG, University of Washington.

Dr. S. M. Zeller, of Oregon Agricultural College, was elected secretary for the coming year. It was decided to hold the next meeting at the University of Washington, Seattle, during the Thanksgiving recess, 1921. The Northwest Section embraces Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and British Columbia.

GEO. B. RIGG,  
*Secretary*

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