

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE PERMANENT
SECRETARY FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR 1921

(October 1, 1920, to September 30, 1921)

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To balances from last account:	
Checking account	\$ 4,344.04
Savings account	4,227.34
Petty cash	13.21
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	\$ 8,584.59
To receipts from members:	
Annual dues previous to 1920	\$ 5.00
Annual dues 1920	1,563.01
Annual dues 1921	48,190.44
Annual dues 1922 (paid in advance)	348.00
Admission fees	630.00
Life and sustaining memberships	2,100.00
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	52,836.45
To other receipts:	
Sales of publications	\$ 1,955.91
Misc. receipts, including subscriptions for journals for life members from Treasurer, postage, exchange, overpayments, etc.	1,385.69
Unexpended balance of funds secured by Local Committee of Chicago meeting	157.40
Interest on bank account	127.75
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	3,626.75
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	\$65,047.79

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By publications:	
Publishers SCIENCE	\$31,353.15
By Division and Academy Expenses:	
Division	\$ 1,140.00
Academies	355.00
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	1,495.00
By Expenses Washington Office:	
Salary, Permanent Secretary	\$ 2,500.00
Salary, Assistant Secretary	750.00
Salary, Executive Assistant	2,490.00
Usual clerical help	1,612.98
Special clerical help on membership list	1,313.27
Travel expenses	1,475.61
Office supplies	217.66
Stationery and printing	3,521.74
Telephone and telegraph	124.29
Postage	1,026.21
Benjamin collection of portraits and autographs of association presidents	300.00
Refunds on account of overpayments	154.98
Life and sustaining membership fees	2,350.00
Bad checks	16.15
Exchange on checks	21.91
Miscellaneous	1,274.49
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	19,149.29

By Expenses, Chicago Meeting:	
General program	\$ 1,002.50
Preliminary announcement	955.36
Refund for expenses incurred by Section Secretaries	277.48
Miscellaneous	82.53
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	2,317.87
By Expenses, Grants Committee	29.47
Special Grant appropriation	500.00
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	\$54,844.78

By new balances:	
American National Bank:	
Checking account	\$ 5,840.11
Savings account	4,355.09
Petty cash	7.81
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	10,203.01
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	\$65,047.79

I certify that I have audited the accounts of the Permanent Secretary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science for the fiscal year 1921; that they were found correct, and that proper vouchers covering disbursements were exhibited.

HERBERT A. GILL,
Auditor.

Washington, D. C.,
November 26, 1921.

THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF NATURALISTS

THE thirty-ninth annual meeting of the American Society of Naturalists was held in the Medical Building of the University of Toronto on December 29, 1921.

At the business meeting the treasurer's report was presented, audited, and approved.

The terms of the representatives of the society in the Division of Biology and Agriculture of the National Research Council were, by vote, extended six months, so as to end on June 30, which is the end of the fiscal year of the council. Dr. Sewall Wright was elected a representative of the society in the division, for a term of five years, to succeed Professor H. S. Jennings. The other representatives are Professor Leon J. Cole (four years), Professor Bradley M. Davis (three years), Professor Ross G. Harrison (two years), and Professor George H. Shull (one year).

A communication was received from a conference of officers of various biological societies, called by the National Research Council to consider the feasibility of a federation of biological societies, requesting that the American Society of Naturalists appoint its president

and secretary as delegates to an inter-society council which is to be charged with formulating plans for such federation. By vote the president and secretary were authorized to represent the society in such a council.

Professor V. E. Shelford, by authority of the Ecological Society of America, requested the American Society of Naturalists to assume part of the burden of a survey of primeval areas in the Americas. This request was referred to the executive committee with power.

The committee on genetical nomenclature, of which Dr. C. C. Little is chairman, and which made recommendations at the Chicago meeting, in 1920, was continued.

Upon recommendation of the executive committee Professor E. B. Wilson was elected to honorary membership in the society. The following persons were elected to membership: Professor E. C. Case, University of Michigan; Dr. O. F. Cook, Bureau of Plant Industry; Professor Vera Danchakoff, Columbia University; Dr. H. D. Goodale, Massachusetts Agricultural College; Professor Robert F. Griggs, Ohio State University; Professor Joseph Grinnell, University of California; Professor C. H. Kauffman, University of Michigan; Professor F. L. Landacre, Ohio State University; Professor I. F. Lewis, University of Virginia; Professor A. D. MacGillivray, University of Illinois; Professor George J. Peirce, Leland Stanford Junior University; Dr. Wm. E. Safford, U. S. Department of Agriculture; and Professor E. C. Stakman, Minnesota Agricultural Experiment Station.

The committee on nominations presented the name of Professor W. M. Wheeler for president, and that of Dr. A. H. Sturtevant for vice-president. These nominees were declared elected. The other officers for 1922 are as follows: *Treasurer*, Dr. J. Arthur Harris; *Secretary*, Professor A. Franklin Shull; additional members of the executive committee, Professor Bradley M. Davis, Dr. Jacques Loeb, Professor E. M. East, and Professor Henry E. Crampton.

The following program of papers was presented:

Thursday morning:

Are the effects of prolonged rotation in rats heritable? (Moving pictures). C. R. GRIFFITH, University of Illinois. (Introduced by J. A. Detlefsen.)

Dominance in the albino series of allelomorphs of guinea pigs. SEWALL WRIGHT, Department of Agriculture.

On interspecific sterility in Drosophila. (Read by title). A. H. STURTEVANT.

The gamete lethals of Ænothera. GEORGE H. SHULL, Princeton University.

Chromosome assortment in triploid Daturas. JOHN BELLING and A. F. BLAKESLEE, Carnegie Institution.

Chromosome relationships and genetic behavior of Drosophila willistoni. CHARLES W. METZ, Carnegie Institution.

Further data on size inheritance in rats. HEMAN L. IBSEN, Kansas State Agricultural College.

The effect of temperature on dominance. CHARLES ZELENY, University of Illinois.

Two new mutations in the house-mouse, allelomorphous to color, and their genetic behavior. J. A. DETLEFSEN and S. L. CLEMENTE, University of Illinois.

Homologous genes in pigeons and doves. LEON J. COLE, University of Wisconsin.

Thursday afternoon: Symposium on the origin of variations.

Variation in uniparental inheritance. H. S. JENNINGS.

Variation in Datura due to changes in chromosome number. A. F. BLAKESLEE.

Variation due to changes in individual genes. H. J. MULLER.

The origin of variations in sexual and sex-limited characters. C. B. BRIDGES.

The nature of bud variations as indicated by their mode of inheritance. R. A. EMERSON.

Serological reactions as a probable cause of variations. M. F. GUYER.

The annual dinner was held Thursday evening at the King Edward Hotel, with one hundred and twenty-five in attendance. The president, Professor Bradley M. Davis, gave the annual address on the topic "Species, pure and impure." After this address, Professor William Bateson spoke in personal and reminiscent vein, to the great delight of his audience.

A. FRANKLIN SHULL,
Secretary.