

ANNUAL MEETING, 1949

The 1949 annual meeting of the American Society of Range Management was held in Denver, Colorado, January 24, 25, and 26. About 140 members registered for the meeting; nearly 200 were in attendance at some of the sessions. Enthusiasm was high.

FINANCIAL REPORT (December 31, 1948)

	<i>Expenses</i>	<i>Income</i>
Office of President	\$ 15.00	\$
Office of Secretary-Treasurer		
Postage	212.71	
Printing file cards, letterheads, etc.	184.11	
Mimeograph paper	57.08	
Railway express	17.76	
Secretarial	16.65	
Checks returned—4 @ \$3.00	12.00	
Miscellaneous	6.60	
Total	\$ 506.91	
All dues received prior to Jan. 1, 1949		4,016.28
Editorial Board		
Vol. 1, No. 1 Journal of Range Mgt.	766.97	
Membership Committee, C. K. Pearse, Chmn.		
Postage and Envelopes	74.88	
Refund to Treasurer		8.13
Organization & Policy Comm., F. G. Renner, Chmn.		
Postage and other expense	50.00	
Annual Meeting, 1948		
Travel, postage, reservations	25.00	
Banquet and flowers	286.75	
Printing, postage, etc.	108.00	
Total	\$ 419.75	
Registration and banquet tickets		569.75
Refund, travel, postage, reservations		11.54
Total		\$ 581.29
Program Committee, 1948, D. F. Costello, Chmn.	8.60	
Total	\$ 1,842.11	\$ 4,605.70
On Deposit, College Sta. State Bank:	\$ 2841.14	
Less checks outstanding	77.55	2,763.59
Total	\$ 4,605.70	\$ 4,605.70

Submitted by: Harold F. Heady, *Secretary-Treasurer*,
Texas A & M College, College Station, Texas

PUBLICATIONS REPORT

At the annual meeting in Salt Lake City last year Society members voted to have the Publications Committee serve as the first Editorial Board and go ahead with getting out the first issue of the Journal. As you know, we now have out two issues. These represent only a beginning of what we hope the Journal will develop into. Members of the Society are expected to look upon the Journal as their own; to present material to it, and continually to make suggestions for its improvement. We should make every effort to develop a publication no practicing range conservationist can afford to do without. It can only become such a medium through every member contributing his part.

The primary purpose of the Journal, of course, is to aid in carrying out the objectives of the Society, and otherwise to serve the interests of all its members. More specifically, it should (1) serve to instruct and stimulate members of the Society so they can do a better job in their chosen work or profession; (2) broaden the horizon and enlarge the interests of the Society members; (3) state the position and objectives of the Society on fundamental issues dealing with the use, management and conservation of forage resources; and (4) serve as a medium of influence in national and international affairs to obtain appropriate attention to matters in which the Society is interested.

The Journal should have a wide appeal to all members of the Society. To this end we want a well-rounded publication with space devoted to (1) articles of a popular nature as well as those of a semi-technical or technical character dealing with applied aspects of all phases of range conservation; (2) general articles relating to the conservation of forage resources to human welfare, economics, culture, and other aspects of modern living; (3) scien-

tific articles presenting original research on forage resource problems; (4) editorial matter relating to objectives and other subjects of broad interest to the Society; (5) reviews of books and other publications; (6) abstracts of recent literature; (7) New and Notes, comments and discussion.

In considering manuscripts for publication the Editorial Board is giving special attention to *usefulness of material presented*. High priority will be given to manuscripts that suggest practical methods or ideas that can be applied by ranchers, land administrators or practicing conservationists, which lead to improvement of the range resource.

Manuscripts are coming in slowly. Items for the News and Notes section are few. Members should take it upon themselves to send interesting items to the Editor.

We believe that articles in the Journal should not be limited to those prepared by Society members. Except as directed by the Council, the Journal also should not be required to publish all papers presented at Society meetings. An author wishing to have his paper published should present it to a member of the Editorial Board, and it will be handled in the same fashion as other manuscripts.

Manuscripts should be prepared in accordance with instructions given on the inside of the back cover page of the Journal. The Editorial Board has decided that abstracts of range literature should cover articles in all publications, including livestock and similar journals. Complete coverage of literature will be started at an early date. Effort has not been made yet to obtain advertisements but probably this will be done during the year 1949.

The Editorial Board would like to see the size of the Journal increased some this year, perhaps up to 48-64 pages per issue.

With this increase, the entire cost of the Journal for the year will be from \$2,500 to \$2,800.

The Editorial Board is well pleased with the way Waverly Press has handled the first two issues. We are fortunate to have obtained this company to print the Journal.

Council members met in Fort Collins in October and appointed the following members to the Editorial Board for the year 1949: F. W. Albertson, B. W. Allred, D. F. Costello, Walter P. Cottam, Fred B. Kennedy, William C. Weir, and H. H. Biswell, Editor.

Please remember that the Journal belongs to members of the Society and that suggestions for its improvement are always welcome.

EDITORIAL BOARD

R. S. Campbell
Robert A. Darrow
H. R. Hochmuth
Warren C. Whitman
H. H. Biswell, *Chairman*

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The American Society of Range Management had 753 members on January 1, 1949. A year ago, membership stood at 503. The increase has come about in several ways. The success of the last annual meeting and indications that we had firm intentions of establishing a worthwhile Society resulted in applications from many who had held off previously. The Membership Committee expanded its list of prospects and circulated widely several appeals for membership. A very important factor has been the constant effort on the part of many members to get others to join. Finally, the issuance of our Journal is bringing in many new members, and the Membership Committee is taking full advantage of the Journal to indicate the value of the Society; and gain additional interest.

Charter membership was closed on July 1, 1948. The Society has 481 charter members.

Tabulations of distribution of our membership roll bring out the fact that certain localities and groups have a disproportionately low representation and indicate the opportunities and needs for expanding the membership. During the year, the greatest percentage increase was shown by students, Bureau of Indian Affairs personnel, and stockmen in that order. A much larger membership is needed to reach all those interested in range land problems, to provide for full exchange of information, and to put the Society on a sound economic basis.

Experience indicates that circulation of invitations to join, although well worthwhile in the past, cannot be counted on for many additional members. Further growth will depend largely upon the Society making a place for itself in each local area and by personal appeal. Both of these must depend upon the efforts of the membership at large. To organize and direct this effort your committee recommends:

1. That the establishment of local Chapters be encouraged with the ultimate objective of providing a local Chapter for each State or section of the country. These should prove invaluable as nuclei of interest and enthusiasm. Each local Chapter should maintain an active local Membership Committee.

2. That a Membership Committee at the national level be continued to give direction to, correlate the efforts of, and provide material for local committees and to appoint subcommittees to serve in all states or sections until local Chapters assume this responsibility.

Distribution of members by states and provinces are as follows: Utah, 104; Texas, 83; Montana, 73; California, 63; Wyoming, 58; Colorado, 56; Idaho, 44;

Oregon, 43; Arizona, 42; New Mexico, 35; Washington, 22; Nevada, 18; Nebraska, 13; Oklahoma, 12; Kansas, 11; North Dakota, 9; South Dakota, 6; Maryland, 4; Louisiana, 4; Illinois, 3; Iowa, 2; Florida, 2; North Carolina, 2; Ohio, 2; New York, 2; Georgia, 1; Minnesota, 1; Missouri, 1; South Carolina, 1; Mississippi, 1; District of Columbia, 22; Hawaii, 2; Alaska, 1; Canada, 8; Venezuela, 1; Nicaragua, 1.

Distribution of members by groups are as follows: U. S. Forest Service, 198; Soil Conservation Service, 179; Bureau of Land Management, 71; Extension Service, 14; Production and Marketing Administration, 18; Bureau of Animal Industry, 3; Bureau of Agricultural Economics, 3; Bureau of Plant Industry, Soils, and Agricultural Engineering, 12; Bureau of Indian Affairs, 22; Other Federal agencies, 13; schools, 93; students, 35; state agencies, 26; ranchers, 31; libraries, 11; foreign government service, 8; miscellaneous (livestock editor, industrial, unclassified), 16.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

O. N. Arrington
 Alan A. Beetle
 George Bradley
 C. A. Joy
 C. Kenneth Pearse, *Chairman*

PAPERS PRESENTED

Monday afternoon

Chairman: George Stewart, U. S. Forest Service, Ogden, Utah.

1. The Place of Reseeding in a Range Management Program. Fred Kennedy, U. S. Forest Service, Portland, Ore.
2. The Role of the Seedsman in Reseeding Range Lands. A. L. White, Consumer Service Dept., Northrup, King & Company, Berkeley, Calif.
3. Machinery for Range Reseeding on Wild Lands. Avon Denham, U. S. Forest Service, San Francisco, Calif.

(Illustrated by movie—W. W. Dresskell, U. S. Forest Service, Ogden, Utah.)

4. Reseeding the Range by Airplane. J. R. Killough, Bur. of Land Mgt., Lander, Wyo.
5. The Management of Reseeded Ranges. Waldo Fransden, SCS, Portland, Ore.

Tuesday morning

Chairman: G. M. Kerr, Division of Grazing, Bur. of Land Mgt., Washington, D. C.

1. The Status of Research in Range Reseeding in the Intermountain Region. George Stewart, U. S. Forest Service, Ogden, Utah.
2. Reseeding of Southwestern Ranges. Darwin Anderson and A. R. Swanson, SCS, Tucson, Ariz.
3. A Comparison of Seasonal Development of Promising Forage Species for Reseeding Montana Ranges. C. A. Friedrich and E. E. Meik, U. S. Forest Service, Missoula, Mont.
4. Comparative Yields and Cover of Native Grass on Pasture and Revegetated Areas at Hays, Kansas. A. Riegel, Dept. of Botany, Ft. Hays Kansas State College, Hays, Kan.
5. Preventing Rodents and Birds from Eating Broadcasted Seed. W. E. Howard, Univ. of Calif., San Joaquin Expt. Range, O'Neals, Calif.

Tuesday afternoon

Chairman: D. A. Savage, Great Plains Field Sta., Woodward, Okla.

1. Control of Noxious Range Plants in a Range Management Program. K. W. Parker, U. S. Forest Service, Tucson, Ariz.
2. Results of Recent Tests in the Control of Noxious Woody Plants by 2,4-D, and 2,4,5-T. H. R. Offord, Bur. of

- Ento. and Plant Quarantine, USDA, Berkeley, Calif.
3. New Methods for Removing Brush for More Grass. H. E. Elwell, and M. B. Cox, SCS, Guthrie, Okla.
 4. Eradication of Big Sagebrush (*Artemisia tridentata*). A. C. Hull, Jr., U. S. Forest Service, Fort Collins, Colo.
 5. The Control of Bitterweed (*Actinæa odorata*) on Texas Range Areas. Omar E. Sperry, Dept. of Range and Forestry, Texas A & M, College station, Texas.
 6. Some Probable Future Developments in Noxious Plant Control. George E. Glendening, U. S. Forest Service, Tucson, Ariz.
1. Determining Forage Weight on Southern Forest Ranges. R. S. Campbell, and J. T. Cassady, U. S. Forest Service, New Orleans, La.
 2. Clipping Methods for Measuring Forage Yield. S. Clark Martin, U. S. Forest Service, Tucson, Ariz.
 3. Some Problems in Utilization Survey on Southern New Mexico Desert Plains Range. Kenneth Valentine, Dept. of Animal Husbandry, New Mexico A & M, State College, New Mex.
 4. Development of Range Condition Survey Techniques. R. R. Humphrey, Dept. of Botany, Univ. of Ariz., Tucson, Ariz.
 5. Use of Indicators for Judging Condition and Trend of High Mountain Rangeland. Lincoln Ellison, U. S. Forest Service, Ogden, Utah.
 6. Improvements in Use of the Line-interception Method for Measuring Changes in Range Vegetation. A. L. Hormay, U. S. Forest Service, Berkeley, Calif.

Wednesday morning

Chairman: H. R. Hochmuth, Bur. of Agri. Econ., Utah State Agri. College, Logan, Utah.

1. Relationship Between Grazing Land Taxation and Range Land Use. Mont H. Saunderson, U. S. Forest Service, Denver, Colo.
2. Public Lands and Taxes. H. E. Schwan, U. S. Forest Service, Denver, Colo.
3. Range Tenure. Dan Fulton, rancher, Ismay, Mont.
4. The Grassland Research Foundation. F. W. Albertson, Dept. of Botany, Fort Hays Kansas State College, Hays, Kan.
5. Range Management at Home. Bruce Orcutt, rancher, Miles City, Mont.
6. Top and Root Growth of Blue Grama Grass and Buffalo Grass in Relation to Frequency and Height of Clipping. F. W. Albertson, Dept. of Botany, Fort Hays, Kansas State College, Hays, Kan.

Wednesday afternoon

Chairman: E. W. Tisdale, Univ. of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho.

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The annual meeting in 1950 will be in San Antonio, Texas. Dave Savage, Chairman of the Program Committee, requests all members wishing to present papers at the meeting to send him at Woodward, Oklahoma, by May 1, 1949, the title and a 200-word abstract of their proposed paper. Please do this so the final program can be prepared and abstracts published in the Journal well in advance of the meeting.

ATTENTION!

DOUBLE OUR MEMBERSHIP IN 1949!

This was the goal set at the Denver meeting. Everyone can help do this by signing up a new member. Please send the name, address, and subscription fee to Melvin S. Morris, Montana State Uni-

versity, Missoula, Montana. Subscription fee, \$5.00; \$2.50 for students.

ACTIONS OF THE COUNCIL

Council members and chairmen of committees met in business session on January 23. The Council also met again at the close of sessions on January 26. The following actions were taken.

The Council approved reports by the Secretary-Treasurer, Editorial Board, and Membership Committee.

Membership will be on a calendar year basis and each new member must indicate when he wants his membership to begin. Institutions, such as libraries, will pay the same price for subscription to the Journal as the regular membership dues. Members in foreign countries will pay the same dues (in U.S. currency) as members residing within the United States. One of the duties of the new Membership Committee shall be to include efforts to obtain library subscriptions to the Journal. The membership fee for students will be \$2.50.

The Council named a committee to investigate advertising possibilities for the Journal. The Editor was instructed to send a word of thanks to Waverly Press for the fine job they have done in printing the Journal. Allred and Costello are to have 3-year terms on the Editorial Board, Albertson and Cottam 2-year terms, and Kennedy and Weir 1-year terms.

Not later than Dec. 31 of each year, the Editor will submit an annual report to the President of the Society. This statement shall (a) report on the conduct of the Journal during the year, (b) outline the plan of operations for the ensuing year, and (c) recommend a financial budget for those operations. Copies of this report shall be furnished directly to each member of the Council. Within the limits of the budget approved by the Council and

transmitted to him by the President, the Editor shall be authorized to incur expenses incident to publication of the Journal. Except as directed by the Council, the Journal shall not be required to publish articles presented at Society meetings. Such papers may be published when presented to the Editorial Board in accordance with the established policy of that group. Abstracts of papers presented at the second annual meeting will be published at the discretion of the Editorial Board.

The program of the third annual meeting is to include short abstracts with the titles and is to be distributed about six weeks prior to the annual meeting.

A committee is to be established to study the problems and help in the establishment of local sections within the Society.

The report of the Finance Committee dated September 9, 1948 was read and approved with modifications. A new Finance Committee is to be appointed to solicit additional funds and endowments to support the Society. A prospectus of our objectives was approved for its value and use by any part of the Society.

A committee will be established to consider the curricula of the various schools teaching Range Management and make minimum recommendations or suggestions thereof.

The American Society of Range Management will join the Natural Resource Council of America.

The American Society of Range Management is to address the proper officials in Washington on the desirability of appointing Range Specialists in the Extension Service on state and national levels.

If local arrangements can be made the place of the third annual meeting is San Antonio, Texas.