

Streets, Los Angeles, for dinner. Loye Miller performed the duties of toastmaster in his usual inimitable style and called on various persons.

Joseph Grinnell discussed the California State bird list and indicated some of the problems involved in revising such a list. George Willett spoke briefly. The veteran naturalist, Frank Stephens, gave a vivid account of personal experiences during his youth with the now extinct Passenger Pigeon in Michigan and Illinois. Mrs. Lila Lofberg, who had traveled thirty-one miles over snow from Florence Lake in the high Sierra to attend the meeting, described experiences with her birds, and also with three coyotes which have been about her residence this winter. C. G. Abbott described the new building of the San Diego Society of Natural History, for which Harlan Edwards is the Superintendent of Construction. L. B. Bishop responded briefly, and W. L. Chambers told of the early history of bird clubs in southern California. Howard Robertson followed with comments on predecessors of the Cooper Club, and then described the activities of himself and W. M. Bowen, which led to the establishment of the Los Angeles Museum. His talk brought out again the intimate relation between the history of the Museum and that of the Club. W. M. Pierce spoke briefly, as did the Secretary. Toastmaster Miller closed the evening with an appeal to members to realize that the changing status of things regarding birds is but a part of the order of change in the world generally.—TRACY I. STORER, *Secretary*.

#### GOVERNORS' MEETING

The Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held at Hollywood, California, on April 24, 1932. The Board was entertained at breakfast at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. Guy C. Rich, 1820 El Cerrito Place, by Mrs. Rich and her family. The business session convened at 10 a. m. with President L. Miller in the chair, and the following members present: Mrs. H. W. Grinnell, Messrs. J. S. Appleton, L. B. Bishop, W. L. Chambers, R. B. Cowles, J. Grinnell, Harry Harris, J. M. Linsdale, Harold Michener, W. M. Pierce, G. C. Rich, Howard Robertson, J. McB. Robertson, T. I. Storer, and George Willett. The following proxies were at hand: Mrs. Amelia S. Allen, Messrs. W. K.

Fisher, Joseph Mailliard and J. G. Tyler by J. Grinnell; G. M. Wright by L. Miller; H. C. Bryant, H. W. Carriger, Joseph Dixon, C. B. Lastreto, W. H. Osgood and Curtis Wright by T. I. Storer. The following were present as visitors by invitation: Mrs. W. L. Chambers, Messrs. C. G. Abbott, Luther Little, A. H. Miller and A. J. van Rossem.

Minutes of the Tenth Annual Meeting were read and approved.

Joseph Grinnell rendered a verbal report of editorial activities.

Report of the special committee appointed at the Tenth Meeting to audit the Business Manager's Report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1930, had been transmitted under date of March 25, 1932, by Chairman C. B. Lastreto. The report was read, and, upon motion by Howard Robertson, seconded by G. C. Rich, received and placed on file and the committee discharged. Recommendations of the Special Auditing Committee were next discussed and the following motions put and carried: (1) That at least one member of future auditing committees be selected from the territory of the Southern Division (Storer, Harris); (2) that an auditing committee be appointed by the President of the Board, to audit the reports for 1931 and for 1932 (Howard Robertson, Bishop); (3) that the recommendation to transfer supervision of the investments of the Club to a trust organization be not followed (Pierce, Harris). President Miller appointed as a committee to conduct the 1931 and 1932 audits, Howard Robertson, Chairman; Harry Harris and J. S. Cooper.

Report of the Business Managers for 1931 was offered and commented upon by J. McB. Robertson. On motion by Harold Michener, seconded by G. C. Rich, the report for 1931 was received and placed on file. W. L. Chambers gave an informal statistical and financial report on the publication of the various Pacific Coast Avifaunas. General discussion followed.

The Secretary suggested that henceforth a synopsis of the Business Managers' report could be circulated with the call for the Annual Meeting of the Board.

Howard Robertson discussed the work of the committee appointed earlier to consider incorporation under the laws of California. Upon motion by G. C. Rich, seconded by W. L. Chambers, the Board voted to discharge the old incorporation committee, with thanks for service rendered,

and to establish a new committee to consider further the advisability of incorporation. Following nominations from the floor the new committee was constituted of Howard Robertson, Chairman; W. L. Chambers, J. S. Cooper, J. McB. Robertson, and G. M. Wright.

A committee on resolutions, appointed by the President, and consisting of Harold Michener, Chairman, Harry Harris and J. M. Linsdale, offered the following resolutions in appreciation of the services rendered by the Los Angeles Museum in connection with the Seventh Annual Meeting:

"The Los Angeles Museum, its Director and staff have aided immeasurably the Cooper Ornithological Club in its Seventh Annual Meeting by most generously extending to the Club its ample facilities for such a group meeting. Therefore, be it resolved that

"The Board of Governors of the Cooper Ornithological Club extends its sincere thanks to the Los Angeles Museum, and be it further resolved, that the Secretary send a copy of this resolution to the Director of the Museum."

The committee offered a second resolution respecting the three members of the Board, Donald R. Dickey, J. Eugene Law, and G. Frean Morcom, whose deaths have occurred during the last year.

The premature passing of Donald R. Dickey, on April 15, 1932, has deprived the Board of Governors of the Cooper Ornithological Club and the Club itself of one of its most influential members. A man of great ability, of great personal charm and with incipient plans of enormous value to the future of the Club, his untimely illness and death have left a gap which cannot be filled. His generosity in gathering members at his home to meet men of note from parts afar and his policy of bringing the younger men into these meetings, together with the multitudinous other services he has rendered the Club, have made a lasting impression. Be it therefore

Resolved, that the Board of Governors of the Cooper Ornithological Club hereby express its deep sorrow because of the loss of this valued member and its keen appreciation of the great benefit his life has been to the science of ornithology, to the Board of Governors, to the Club and to the individual members. Be it further

Resolved, that the Secretary be instructed to transmit a copy of these resolutions, with the sincere sympathy of the Board of Governors, to Mrs. Dickey.

In the death of J. Eugene Law on November 14, 1931, the Board of Governors of the Cooper Ornithological Club has lost a member of greatest influence. As an officer of the Southern Division from 1905 to 1917, as one of the Business Managers of the Club from 1907 to 1925, and as the first President of the Board of Governors, in the formation of which he was foremost, he took a leading part in the official life of the Club. With unremitting effort he directed the Club's activities toward scientific ornithology. His own ornithological work was an inspiration to those who were privileged to view it and it is a matter of deep regret that his strength was too much curtailed to allow the completion of much of the work for which he planned to the very end. Be it therefore

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Resolved, that the Secretary be instructed to transmit a copy of these resolutions, with the sincere sympathy of the Board of Governors, to Mrs. Law.

The death of G. Frean Morcom, on March 25, 1932, has taken from the Cooper Ornithological Club one of its staunchest supporters. From the very beginning of the Southern Division, although not a member until 1905, he rendered substantial aid to the Club and to individual members. For years his home was a rendezvous where his own great interest in collecting and his large collections of skins and eggs added immeasurably to the enthusiasm of the members. As President he served the Southern Division from 1907 to 1912. His large collection of skins and enormous collection of eggs are now of surpassing historical interest. Be it therefore

Resolved, that the Board of Governors of the Cooper Ornithological Club hereby express its deep sorrow because of the loss of this valued member and its keen appreciation of the great benefit that his life has been to the Board of Governors, the Club and the individual members. Be it further

Resolved that the Secretary to instructed to transmit a copy of these resolutions, with the sincere sympathy of the Board of Governors, to his family.

The committee further proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs. and Dr. G. C. Rich for their courtesy in entertaining the Board at this meeting. These resolutions were accepted unanimously; and upon the suggestion of the President, a standing vote was offered in appreciation of the several services to the Club rendered by the deceased members.

Upon opening nominations for officers for the ensuing year, a motion by L. B. Bishop, seconded by Howard Robertson, directed that a ballot be cast reelecting the current officers. Carried. The officers for the ensuing year are: Board of Governors, President, L. H. Miller; Vice-president, Joseph Mailliard; Secretary, T. I. Storer. Editor, Joseph Grinnell; Associate Editor, J. M. Linsdale. Business Manager W. L. Chambers; Associate Business Manager, J. McB. Robertson. Editor Joseph Grinnell then nominated as an additional associate editor for *The Condor*, Alden H. Miller; upon motion by Howard Robertson, seconded by George Willett, the nomination was confirmed unanimously.

Harry Harris discussed the activities of the endowment secretary, and the work which he had performed in closing up previous activities of that office. C. G. Abbott discussed the likelihood of the San Diego group offering an invitation for the Annual Meeting of 1934. The visitors present were invited to contribute to the program, and each spoke briefly on the work of the Club.

Discussion of the matter of electing honorary members to the Club was initiated by J. Grinnell, and participated in by various members. Adjourned at 12:40 p. m.  
—TRACY I. STORER, *Secretary*.