ANNUAL REPORT

PUBLICATION AWARDS COMMITTEE SOUTHEASTERN SECTION, THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

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The Publication Awards Committee for 1969 consisted of the following members: M. Keith Causey, Richard F. Harlow, Vernon G. Henry, John D. Newsom, and A. Sydney Johnson, Chairman. Each year the Southeastern Section presents two awards for the best publications by members of the Section: one for the best paper presented at the technical sessions of the previous conference, the other for the best paper published in the preceding two years other than those published in the Proceedings of the Southeastern Conferences.

As the best technical game paper presented at the twenty-second annual conference (1968) the committee unanimously selected "A study of nesting turkeys in southern Florida" by Lovett E. Williams, Jr., David H. Austin, Neal F. Eicholz, Tommie E. Peoples, and Robert W. Phillips.

Harlow and Henry did not participate in the selection of the best paper published outside the conference proceedings because they were authors of papers under consideration for this award. The award covers a two-year period ending July 1. The publication selected for this award by a majority of the Committee is "The Influence of Hunting on the Population Dynamics of a Woodlot Gray Squirrel Population" by Henry S. Mosby (J. Wildl. Manage. 33: 59-73).

Respectfully submitted,

A. SYDNEY JOHNSON, Chairman

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE SOUTHEASTERN SECTION, WILDLIFE SOCIETY 1948-1968

By EARL FRANKLIN KENNAMER, Chairman

The History Committee

The Southeastern Section became a legitimate child of the parent Wildlife Society in 1948 at the second annual meeting of the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners at Lexington, Ky. However, the organization was first proposed at the first gathering of the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners in St. Petersburg, Florida, 1947. Here for the first time in the Southeastern states professional wildlife personnel met together. This 1947 meeting also represented the first time technical game and fish sessions were held in the region. This, in fact, was the first opportunity for wildlife workers to assemble, to become acquainted and to exchange ideas.

R. M. Freeman, Director, Game and Fish Commission, Jackson, Mississippi; John F. Dequine, Chief Fisheries Biologist, Florida Game and Freshwater Fish Commission, Florida; Phil Goodrum, Research Biologist, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Atlanta; and Leonard E. Foote, Wildlife Management Institute, proposed plans for the formation of the Southeastern Section of the Wildlife Society in 1948.

Clarence W. Watson was elected first president of the Section. He served from September, 1948, to September, 1949. Purpose of the Southeastern Section was to sponsor an annual get-together of professional wildlife conservation workers located in Region II of the Wildlife Society and to discuss game problems through presentation of papers re-

lated to the profession of wildlife research and management. States and possessions grouped in Region II were Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Virginia, Missississippi, Louisiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, Arkansas, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Annual dues were 50 cents per member in the Section. State representatives were appointed to build the membership and to collect dues. Meetings of the Southeastern Section were to be held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners. These meetings are rotated throughout the region so that a different state serves as host each year.

Three objectives of the Southeastern Section were established: (1) to sponsor consideration of technical game and fish management in Region II of the Wildlife Society; (2) to arrange for annual meetings at which appropriate discussions may be held, published and distributed, thus advancing the science and practice of wildlife management; and (3) to serve professional members of the Society in Region II in whatever manner may seem appropriate.

No records or copies of minutes of 1948-1950 annual meetings of the Section were available for historical comment.

1951

The meeting was held October 22, at Gulf Port, Miss., with President Willis King presiding. King appointed a committee consisting of Eugene Wallace, Chairman, Hayden Olds and Spencer Smith to examine the by-laws. Officers elected for the following year were: O. Earle Frye, President; Bill Baldwin, Vice President; Ed Hueske, Secretary-Treasurer.

1952

The Southeastern Section met on October 20, 1952, at Savannah, Ga., with President Earle Frye presiding. Harold Warvel of the membership committee reported 15 new members from Tennessee. The membership list included 218 members, an increase of 25 over the previous year. Gene Wallace, chairman of the committee for revision of by-laws reported several changes under consideration. William P. Baldwin was elected President, E. B. Chamberlain Vice President and Jim Jenkins, Secretary-Treasurer.

1953

The Southeastern Section met on October 12 in Hotel Patten in Chattanooga, Tenn., with Vice President E. B. Chamberlain presiding. The multiple uses of water and the place of fish and wildlife in the problem were discussed by Roy Wood. The South Carolina model law was brought up. It was moved that the Section President appoint a committee to study the use of water and the present status of laws concerning it.

The revision of the by-laws was accepted and passed.

A motion was passed to accept the report of the awards committee proposing two awards and suitable scrolls and gift volumes be presented.

The following officers were elected: E. B. Chamberlain, Jr., President; A. E. Hyder, Vice President; J. H. Jenkins, Secretary-Treasurer.

1954

This meeting was held at the Jung Hotel, New Orleans, La., with President E. B. Chamberlain presiding. A motion was passed that a Water Rights Committee be appointed to assist individual states by disseminating information on water-use laws.

Awards were made by the Section to Frank A. Winston for STATUS, MOVEMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF THE MOURNING DOVE IN FLORIDA, Technical Bulletin No. 2, Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, and the award for the outstanding paper presented in 1953 went to Leslie Glasgow for THE AMERICAN WOODCOCK (Philohela minor) IN LOUISIANA.

The meeting was held October 3 at Daytona Beach, Fla., with A. E. Hyder presiding. Farm Game Research Needs Committee report was presented by Chairman Edward Carlson. C. W. Watson gave a brief report of the work of the Forest Research Needs Committee.

President Hyder strongly recommended that Farm Game and Forest Game committees be continued another year.

Dan Leedy discussed proposed revision of by-laws of the Parent Society with special reference to membership status of citizens of Maryland.

No award was made for a publication. The award for the best paper went to Ken Wilson for LITTER PRODUCTION OF COASTAL NORTH CAROLINA MUSKRATS.

1956

The meeting was held at Little Rock, Ark., with President Jim Jenkins presiding. Frank Barick was elected president for 1957. This was the ninth annual meeting of the Southeastern Section of the Wildlife Society but was called the "Tenth" meeting because this was actually the Tenth Annual Meeting of the Parent Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners.

Award for the best publication went to Robert D. McDowell for PRO-DUCTIVITY OF THE WILD TURKEY IN VIRGINIA, Technical Bulletin No. 1, Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries. The best paper award was received by Walter Rosene, Jr., for MANAGEMENT TECH-NIQUES WHICH ENCOURAGE BOBWHITE QUAIL TO NEST.

E. B. Chamberlain made a motion to have the service period for officers changed from a 1- to a 2-year term, beginning with newly elected officers the following year. By-laws were amended to officially establish the two-year service period. At the 1956 meeting 60 members of the Southeastern were present.

Active committees and their reporters represented in the Section included J. D. Newsom, Dove Research; C. W. Watson, Forest Game Research; Harold Warvel, Farm Game; Roy Wood, Water Use; A. E. Hyder, Nominating Committee.

The following rules for recognizing outstanding publications and papers by members of the Southeastern Section were prepared by E. B. Chamberlain and accepted by the Section:

"Methods of Selection, Criteria, and Eligibility for Annual Publication Awards The Southeastern Section of the Wildlife Society

1. The paper to be considered for this recognition by the Southeastern

- Section shall deal with wildlife rather than fisheries since it is felt that the Southern Division of the American Fisheries Society will take similar action in regard to fishery management papers.
- 2. Primary consideration in deciding upon the best papers shall be given to those representing the most significant advances in research, management, techniques, or theory. Secondary consideration will be given those papers which make significant contributions to existing fields of knowledge. In all cases, due consideration must be given to the soundness of the work, the clarity of presentation, and the style and quality of the writing.
- 3. For a paper to be eligible, the author, or one of the authors in the case of joint authorship, must be a member in good standing of the Wildlife Society and the Southeastern Section of the Society.
- 4. The majority of the work on which the paper is based must have been conducted within the region.
- 5. The author or one of the authors must have conducted the major part of the work on which the paper is based. In the case of co-

- operative studies, the author must be intimately connected with the work and must have been responsible for the formulation of conclusions.
- 6. Two separate awards shall be made. One of these shall be in recognition for the best paper presented at the annual technical session, the other for the best paper, eligible under Paragraphs 1,
- 2, 3, 4, and 5 published during the preceding year.
 7. Papers presented at each annual meeting will be considered by the judges during the following months, and the award made at the next annual meeting. In the case of published papers, the year shall be from 1 July through 30 June, this paper published between 1 July 1955 and 30 June 1956 will be considered for the award to be given in October 1957.
- 8. The chairman of the Technical Session will furnish one copy of each paper presented at the meeting to each member of the Awards Committee. Authors of papers published during the year will be encouraged to notify the President of the section of each publication and whenever possible to furnish reprints to Awards Committee members.
- 9. The two awards shall be similar. Suitable framed scrolls shall be presented to the honored authors at the annual meeting, and appropriate notices published in our minutes and the Newsletter.
- 10. A panel of five judges shall be appointed by the Section Chairman. It is suggested that two of these men be reappointed for a second term, but that no judge shall serve more than two years consecutively. The judges shall be selected on the basis of their recognized authority in certain fields or on certain species, and every effort made to secure a well balanced panel. Should a judge have a paper eligible for consideration, he should be replaced by the President.
- 11. If at any annual meeting or during any year the judges decide that no eligible paper is worthy of receiving the award, no award shall be given."

1957

At the October 21, 1957, meeting in Mobile two important changes in the by-laws were approved by majority vote. These were as follows as contrasted with the previous by-laws:

- Sec. 1 (Old) Pursuant to Article VII . . . (New) Pursuant to Article IX . . .
- Sec. 3b (Old) Any new member of the Society who lives outside Region II or any person who is interested in the objectives expressed in Section 2 may become a member and participate actively in affairs of the Southeastern Section but cannot hold elective office.
- Sec. 3b (New) Any member of the Society who lives outside Region II or any person who is interested in the objectives expressed in Section 2 may become a non-member affiliate and participate actively in affairs of the Southeastern Section but cannot vote or hold elective office.
- Sec. 8 (Old) 6. Election of officers
 7. Installation of newly elected officers
 - 8. Other business
 - 9. Adjournment
- Sec. 8 (New) 6. Other business
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At this meeting newly elected officers of the Southeastern Section began a 2-year term of office.

The publication judged to be the most outstanding the past year was Game Publication No. 2, Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission by R. W. Murray and O. E. Frye, Jr.—THE BOBWHITE QUAIL AND ITS MANAGEMENT IN FLORIDA. SOME PROBLEMS IN WILD-LIFE CONSERVATION by Harold Alexander was selected as the best paper presented at the previous annual Southeastern meeting.

1958

On October 28, the annual meeting was held in Louisville, Ky., at the Kentucky Hotel with 28 persons attending and Chester Phelps as the first 2-year president. In this session the Southeastern Section recommended to the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners that every state employ a person to spend full time on water use problems. A suggestion was made to limit time for presentation of any paper at the annual program to 15 minutes, including discussion.

Award for the best publication the previous year was given to John L. Sincock and James A. Powell for their presentation: AN ECOLOGICAL STUDY OF WATERFOWL AREAS IN CENTRAL FLORIDA—Transactions of 22nd North American Wildlife Conference, pp. 220-236. The paper judged to be the best given at the last annual meeting of the Southeastern Section was presented by Charles M. Loveless, CLIPPING STUDY TECHNIQUES IN MARSH ECOLOGY INVESTIGATIONS.

1959

The meeting on October 27, 1959, was held in Baltimore, Md., with President Chester Phelps presiding. At this meeting a motion was passed by Section membership present recommending employment of a full-time secretary for the parent Wildlife Society.

The Section loaned \$400 from the treasury to the Forest Game Committee to print papers of the First National Wild Turkey Symposium held in Memphis, Tenn., February 12-13, 1959. At the meeting a new committee was appointed to deal with foreign game species.

The METHOD OF SELECTION, CRITERIA, AND ELIGIBILITY FOR ANNUAL PUBLICATIONS AWARDS BY THE SOUTHEASTERN SECTION OF THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY 1956 was amended to read as follows: "In the case of published papers, those published in the last two years prior to July 1 of the awarding year shall be eligible. No paper shall receive two awards. Those appearing in the Transactions of the Southeastern Game Conference are not eligible for this award."

Sec. 12: "Announcements of award winners will be made at the annual business meeting of the Section."

Florida's Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission's Technical Bulletin No. 5, by Richard F. Harlow, AN EVALUATION OF WHITE-TAILED DEER HABITAT IN FLORIDA was selected as best publication during the past year. However, no award was presented for the best paper given at the annual meeting the previous year.

1960

The 1960 meeting of the Southeastern Section was held October 24 at Biloxi, Miss., at the Buena Vista Hotel with President Leslie Glasgow in charge. Ninety persons were present.

Some members suggested the Section sponsor a deer symposium and proceedings of the symposium be published and made available. Another suggestion proposed was that the symposium be held immediately after the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners' meeting in Atlanta, 1961, with the symposium to be held at the University of Georgia facilities, Athens.

The Forest Game Committee was given the task to determine the feasibility of holding and also of preparing plans for the deer symposium. Accordingly, the deer symposium was held in Athens, Ga.. February 13-15, 1962. The proceedings, entitled NATIONAL WHITE-TAILED DEER DISEASE SYMPOSIUM, were printed and distributed.

Directors of the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners met and passed a motion that all papers presented at this or subsequent meetings each fall be submitted in final form or the papers would not be accepted for presentation. The president of the Southeastern Section suggested that membership cards for the Section members in good standing be printed and distributed in future years.

At this meeting the Farm Game Committee was organized with Lee K. Nelson selected as chairman. Harold Alexander was appointed chairman of the Water Use Committee. C. W. Watson was appointed chairman of the Forest Game Committee. During the year prior to the October 24 meeting, the Dove Committee progress report was presented by Dan M. Russell, Chairman.

Plans for a publication on important deer browse plants of the southern forests were made.

Award for the best publication went to Charles M. Loveless for THE EVERGLADES DEER HERD, LIFE HISTORY AND MANAGEMENT, Technical Bulletin No. 6, Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission. The best paper was presented by Richard F. Harlow and Edwin L. Tyson—A PRELIMINARY REPORT ON THE EFFECT OF MAST ABUNDANCE ON THE WEIGHT AND REPRODUCTION OF DEER IN CENTRAL FLORIDA.

1961

The 1961 meeting was held in Atlanta, Ga., October 24. President Leslie Glasgow officiated. Dan W. Speake was elected president for the 2-year period 1961-63. At this meeting members present approved an increase in annual dues from \$0.50 to \$1.00 per Section member.

Award for the best publication was received by E. B. Chamberlain, Jr., for FLORIDA WATERFOWL POPULATIONS, HABITATS AND MANAGEMENT, Technical Bulletin No. 7, Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission. The best paper presented was QUAIL REPRODUCTION AND WEATHER IN ALABAMA by Dan W. Speake and Arnold O. Haugen.

1962

The 1962 meeting was held in Charleston, S. C., October 14-17. Dan W. Speake presided. Sixty persons were present. The deer browse bulletin, DEER BROWSE PLANTS OF SOUTHERN FORESTS, edited by Lowell K. Halle and Therman H. Ripley, was published by the Southern and Southeastern Forest Experiment Stations, Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, in cooperation with the Forest Game Research Committee of the Southeastern Section of the Wildlife Society.

Plans were made to have an index guide prepared for the Section with Walter Rosene, Chairman. This guide to be published in conjunction with the 16th Proceedings of the annual meeting; this index is a guide to papers presented in the first fifteen annual meetings of the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners. The index includes six sections: I. Administration, II. Conservation, III. Game, IV. Fish, V. Pollution and Pesticides, and VI. Wildlife.

A motion was made at this annual meeting to insure that printed copies of the annual proceedings be sent to all paid-up members of the Southeastern Section of the Wildlife Society.

During this session work was begun to establish the C. W. WATSON AWARD, with Chester Phelps as Chairman of an ad hoc committee to accomplish the purpose. This award would be publicly announced at the 1964 annual meeting with details pertaining to the award given at that time. Award for the best paper presented during the previous annual meeting in Atlanta was made to A. Sydney Johnson for ANTAGONISTIC RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN ANTS AND WILDLIFE WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO IMPORTED FIRE ANTS AND BOBWHITE OUALL. Award for the best publication printed during the period July

1, 1960, and June 30, 1961, went to Kenneth A. Wilson for NORTH CAR-OLINA WETLANDS/THEIR DISTRIBUTION AND MANAGEMENT, North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission Federal Aid Report.

1969

The 1963 meeting was held at Hot Springs, Ark., with Dan W. Speake presiding. Harold E. Wallace was elected president for 1963-65. No minutes of this annual meeting were available. Award for the best paper went to Edward P. Hill and Maurice F. Baker for EFFECTS OF KE-PONE PEANUT BUTTER BAIT ON THE BOBWHITE QUAIL AND CERTAIN OTHER BIRDS. The best publication WILDLIFE IN KENTUCKY AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS, Transactions of 27th North American Wildlife Conference, pp. 202-212, by Robert Hornsby, Joe Bruna, Robert Eversole and Robert Kessler received the award.

On June 7, 1963, C. W. Watson, Chairman, Forest Game Committee, sent to all State Fish and Game Directors a statute from Tennessee law of a model pertaining to legal liability in regard to injuries sustained by recreation seekers when on industrial land. This was Senate Bill No. 530, Public Chapter No. 177, passed March 15, 1963, Tennessee House and Senate and approved March 20, 1963, by Governor Frank C. Clements.

Another document pertaining to the posting of land of another without permission was also forwarded to states in the Southeast. This was Art. 6, Sec. 29-267, Destruction of Posted Signs; Posting Land of Another, Code of Virginia, 1962.

1964

The meeting was held at Clearwater, Fla., with Harold E. Wallace presiding.

Lovett Williams was appointed chairman, Publication Awards Committee. At this session a suggestion was made to form a working committee for publication awards—this committee to consist of six members: two to be appointed each year to serve for a period of two years.

The award for the best paper went to Warren W. Blandin for BROOD-ING STUDIES OF MARKED CLAPPER RAILS. The best publication went to Herbert L. Stoddard for MAINTENANCE AND INCREASE OF THE EASTERN WILD TURKEY ON PRIVATE LANDS OF THE COASTAL PLAIN OF THE DEEP SOUTHEAST, Tall Timbers Research Station, Bulletin No. 3.

Henry Mosby, president-elect of the parent Wildlife Society, presented C. W. Watson with an honorary membership in The Wildlife Society. Mosby also presented to the Southeastern Section of the Wildlife Society a charter from the parent organization.

A subcommittee of the Forest Game Committee was formed to work on endangered species. This committee was to concern itself with birds and mammals in the Southeast approaching extinction.

Section President H. E. Wallace mentioned that a great number of conservation workers were not members of the parent society but did pay dues as Section members. Some of these persons were holding responsible positions on committees of the Section. He pointed out that such membership is illegal and that all members of committees must be members of the parent Wildlife Society and also members of the Section in good standing.

During 1964 the Clarence W. Watson Award was organized. Presentation of the first C. W. Watson award, a plaque, was made in Clearwater, Florida, to Dr. Watson himself by ad hoc Chairman Chester Phelps. Following are data pertinent to the award:

"The award will be given not oftener than annually to the career individual who in the opinion of the Clarence W. Watson Award Committee has made the greatest contribution to game and/or fish con-

servation during the previous year or years. These considerations include research, administration, law enforcement, information and education, game management, fish management, teachers and students. The term 'wildlife' is intended by the Committee to include all these related fields. Preference shall be given to recipients who have made significant contributions to fish and game conservation in the area. The award will be in the form of an appropriate plaque."

The Clarence W. Watson Conservation Fund. "A fund will be obtained to be used for the benefit of wildlife conservation where other sources are not available. The Awards Committee will be charged with investing these funds to secure maximum and safe dividends. The Committee will also approve loans from the Watson Fund for worthy fish and game conservation projects undertaken in the Southeast, provided that at any time loans outstanding shall not exceed 50 percent of the principal. Projects eligible for loans shall have appropriate income-producing features with assurance that the loan will be repaid within a reasonable time to the Clarence W. Watson Conservation Fund.

The Committee may also, in its discretion, make grants to individuals, associations, or institutions for fish and game conservation projects. However, funds appropriated for grants during any one calendar year shall not exceed the interest accrued during the previous calendar year. Any member or affiliates of the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners, The Southern Division of the American Fisheries Society, or the Southeastern Section of the Wildlife Society may petition the Clarence W. Watson Award Committee for loans or grants. The Wildlife Society Section treasurer will be responsible for setting up records and a special trust account to handle the award contributions until such time as the Award Committee relieves the treasurer of this responsibility. The Clarence W. Watson Award Committee will furnish an audited accounting of the status of the fund to the sponsoring organizations annually at the fall Southeastern Wildlife Conference (sic). Selection Award Committee. "A three-man committee to be known as the Clarence W. Watson Award Committee, will be appointed and charged with the responsibility of administering the fund and selecting a recipient of the annual award. The person selected will be named at the annual fall Conference of the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners. Members of the Award Committee will serve for three years, after the original appointments, selected as follows:

- 1 appointment by the President of the Southeastern Section of the Wildlife Society.
- 1 appointment by the President of the Southern Division, American Fisheries Society.
- 1 appointment by the President of the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners.

Members will be originally appointed on a staggered basis to assure continuation of experience in the following order:

Southeastern Section of Wildlife Society-1 year

Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners—2 years Southern Division, American Fisheries Society-3 years.

Any member or affiliate of the above three organizations is eligible and invited to petition the Award Committee with nominations for the individual to be recipient of the Clarence W. Watson Award.

Solicitation of Funds. "Contributions to the fund will be sought from industries, organizations, and private individuals. Each State in the Southeastern Region will have two representatives (one in game and one in fish work) who will organize the request for funds within that state. These state representatives will solicit contributions from other state members in the wildlife profession. In addition, certain individuals have volunteered to solicit specific industries, offices and individuals.

Anyone who knows of any individual, organization or industry that might be interested in contributing is urged to make the contact or pass the information on to a member of the committee.

Tax-exempt Status. "Contributors should be informed that donations to this fund are deductible for federal income tax purposes. (Re: Letter from Treasury Department, 5/26/48 to the Wildlife Society, c/o Logan J. Bennett, President, signed E. G. McLearney, Deputy Commissioner.) Such contributions should be marked or made payable to Treasurer, Southeastern Section of the Wildlife Society, earmarked The Clarence W. Watson Award Fund."

1965

The 1965 meeting was held at Tulsa, Okla., Oct. 13, at the Mayo Hotel, President A. E. Wallace presiding. Burd S. McGinnes was elected president of the Section for 1965-67. The Watson award plaque was presented to Robert E. Stevens.

The award for the best publication not printed in the Proceedings went to William H. Stickel, Don W. Hayne, and Lucille F. Stickel for EFFECTS OF HEPTACHLOR-CONTAMINATED EARTHWORMS ON WOODCOCKS, J. Wildl. Management, 29(1):132-146. The best paper—A SIMPLE TECHNIQUE FOR REMOVING MANDIBLES OF DEER WITHOUT TROPHY DEFACEMENT went to Charles M. Marshall, James F. Smith, and A. J. Weber.

New rules governing the publication awards were proposed at this meeting as follows:

"COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF APPOINTMENT.

The committee shall consist of five members appointed by the President for terms of three years. The President may reappoint members to the Committee at his pleasure. A chairman shall be appointed by the President to serve a term of three years and may be re-appointed by the President.

Appointments to the Committee shall be made and confirmed in writing by the President at the time of the annual business meeting of the Section.

"When a paper written by a committee member is under consideration for an award, the member shall be excused from service on the Committee. The vacancy may be filled or left vacant at the pleasure of the President.

AWARDS TO BE MADE.

Best conference paper. A citation of excellence may be presented to the author(s) of the paper which in the opinion of the Committee is the most professionally valuable paper to be presented at each Technical Session of the Section of The Wildlife Society.

Matters bearing upon the professional value of a paper, when not in conflict with rules of the Section, are left to the judgment of the Committee. It is the responsibility of the President to appoint qualified members to the Committee.

Best non-conference report. Each year a citation of excellence may be presented to the author(s) of a published report, other than a report presented at the Technical Sessions, which is dated during the previous year ending July 1, or during the year before that, and which is otherwise qualified for an award. The same general standards as those for the best conference paper shall apply to this award.

The award citation. An appropriate, framed scroll shall be presented to authors in recognition of these awards. The scrolls shall be similar for both awards and shall bear the author's name and a suitable description of the honor. The fact shall be recorded in the minutes of the annual business meeting, at which place the presentation is to be made.

No more than two awards as described above shall be made in any one year; however, if in any eligibility period no reports are considered worthy, no award shall be made for that period.

ELIGIBILITY OF PAPERS

To be eligible for an award, reports or their authors must meet the following specifications:

- 1. Reports must be bona fide publications, with a publication date. The definition of "bona fide publication" will be left to the discretion of the committee in each case, but will follow generally accepted professional standards.
- 2. One of the authors must be a member of the Section, in good stand-
- 3. The report must pertain to wildlife management, wildlife biology, or wildlife conservation administration in the southeastern United States.
- 4. A paper cannot be considered for an award unless its existence is known to the Committee. To insure consideration of their reports, authors should furnish the Chairman with five copies of worthy papers.

Other Rules

- I. The annual award for the best conference paper shall be based on the published version of the paper in the Transactions.
- II. Upon the request of the Awards Committee Chairman, the President shall instruct the Secretary to furnish the Awards Committee Chairman with a list of Section members in good standing.
- III. A file of Committee business shall be kept by the Chairman and passed to his successor.
- IV. For purposes of this award, the term wildlife is defined as vertebrate animals other than fishes.
 - V. No paper may receive more than one award.
- VI. Final responsibility for the selection of award winners and other matters bearing upon the Committee shall rest with the Chairman. Cases of serious disagreement shall be brought to the attention of the President who may direct the matter to the full membership of the Section, at his discretion.

1966

The 1966 meeting was held at Asheville, N. C., with Burd S. McGinnes presiding. Chester Phelps reported a committee had been formed to speed printing of Proceedings of each annual meeting. Phelps offered seven rules for publication of papers which were adopted.

The publication award was given for THE WHITE-TAILED DEER IN FLORIDA, Technical Bulletin No. 9, Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, by Richard F. Harlow and F. K. Jones. The best paper—COMPARISON OF DEER CENSUS TECHNIQUES APPLIED TO A KNOWN POPULATION IN A GEORGIA ENCLOSURE was by Robert L. Downing, William H. Moore, and Joe Kight.

F. Victor Schmidt was appointed chairman of the Forest Game Research Committee.

1967

The annual meeting was conducted in New Orleans, La., with Burd S. McGinnes completing his second year as president. Walter Rosene was elected President for 1968-1969.

The following committees were announced: Forest Research, Donald D. Strode, Chairman; Dove, James E. Keeler; Farm Game, Hubert Handy; Foreign Game, Glen D. Chambers; Water Use, Harold Alexander; By-laws, Ferd Sumrell; Section History, Earl F. Kennamer; Publication Awards, A. Sydney Johnson.

Best publication—EFFECTS OF FIELD APPLICATIONS OF HEP-TACHLOR ON BOBWHITE QUAIL AND OTHER WILD ANIMALS. J. Wildl. Management 29(3): 554-580 was by Walter Rosene. Jr. The best paper, TELEMETRIC STUDY OF DEER MOVEMENT-ECOLOGY IN THE SOUTHEAST, was by Robert L. Marchinton and Lewis K. Jeter.

1968

The 1968 meeting was held in Baltimore, Md., October 21 with Walter Rosene presiding.

The award for the best publication—PHYSIOLOGICAL CHANGES ASSOCIATED WITH SHOCK IN CONFINED GRAY SQUIRRELS, J. Wildl. Management 31(1): 102-108, went to Donald R. Guthrie, J. Clark Osborne, and Henry S. Mosby. The award for the best paper was received by Edward P. Hill, III, for NOTES ON THE LIFE HISTORY OF THE SWAMP RABBIT IN ALABAMA.

A special committee was appointed to report on better ways the Section might serve the membership; members were H. E. Wallace, Dan W. Speake, and Burd McGinnes.

The new by-laws were discussed by Ferd Sumrell and were accepted by a vote of the membership present.

Political units now included in the Southeastern Section were Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

ORGANIZATIONS

Southeastern Dove Committee

The Southeastern Dove Committee was one of the first groups organized by the Section in 1948. This Committee was formed to serve the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners in correlating research throughout regional states. Such correlation would avoid unnecessary duplication of research projects. This meant a greater diversification of research projects, an earlier possible solution of certain dove problems and naturally fewer total expenditures.

This Dove Technical Committee is under the jurisdiction of the Association of Game and Fish Commissioners. Beginning in 1964, the annual meeting of the Dove Committee has been held in the spring, prior to the annual business meeting of the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners.

Dan M. Russell served as chairman of the Southeastern Dove Committee, 1959-62. He was followed by Frank Winston, 1963-65. Jim Keeler served as chairman from 1966-1969.

Proposals on research by the Dove Technical Committee have included dove census methods: call count, roadside count, telephone survey, field check, etc.

This committee was instrumental in proposing and activating the present program of intensified cooperative research on the mourning dove, specifically designed to test the effect of regulations. The regulation presently being tested is the bag limit. This phase of the study began in 1966 and will terminate in 1972.

In 1967, the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners charged the Southeastern Dove Technical Committee with the responsibility of handling technical matters at the state level pertaining to all migratory game birds, excluding waterfowl. The first phase of activity of this segment of the Committee's functions was to submit and priority rate various research proposals on other migratory birds in the Southeast. This was accomplished in October, 1967, in accordance with the National Program Planning Committee for Shore and Upland

Migratory Game Birds of the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners. This phase of work was necessary to present the Congress with sound research proposals in an attempt to obtain Congressional monies for research on the so-called "lesser migratory game birds."

Forest Game Committee

The Forest Game Committee was organized by the Southeastern Section of the Wildlife Society in 1955 with C. W. Watson appointed its first chairman. The second chairman was Howard Miller who served three years and was replaced by Don Strode.

This committee has been instrumental in bringing foresters and professional wildlife workers together. This association has also helped in solving problems affecting both groups.

Farm Game Committee

This committee was established to study needs of sportsmen and biologists involved in farm game development. The first committee, composed of six members, was appointed in 1954 with C. Edward Carlson, chairman. At time of organization it was dubbed "Farm Game Research Needs Committee." In 1960 the Committee was renamed the Farm Game Committee. This committee has served well in surveying the farm game situation through questionnaires and in obtaining data from biologists throughout the nation. Another good result of the Farm Game Committee's work was the study in purchasing and leasing land in and by the Southeastern states for development of public hunting areas. This committee was made an official committee of the Southeastern Association of Fish and Game Commissioners at the April, 1964, meeting in Atlanta.

Harold E. Warvel succeeded C. Edward Carlson as chairman in 1956. Donald J. Hankla served as chairman from 1957 to 1959; Lee K. Nelson, 1960-61; Edward G. Sullivan, 1962-1965; Lloyd G. Webb, 1966-1967; and Hubert Handy, 1968.

Endangered Species Committee

This committee was operated as a sub-committee of the Farm Game Committee. The first chairman was Harold Alexander. At the annual meeting in Baltimore in 1968, President Walter Rosene made this into a full committee with Alexander Sprunt, IV, chairman.

Water Use Committee

Frank Barick, appointed first chairman of the Water Use Committee, served one year. He was replaced by Gene Wallace, who served three years. Harold E. Alexander succeeded Wallace.

Foreign Game Committee

This committee was formed in March, 1963. Before this date exotic game species were considered in both the Farm Game Committee and the Forest Game committee.

Objectives of this committee were as follows:

- 1. To increase the efficiency, coordination, and integration of foreign game research throughout the Southeastern Region, attempting to eliminate as much duplication of effort as possible.
- 2. To determine the research needs of exotic game. To define problems and seek solutions.
- 3. To hold an annual meeting for the purpose of presentation, exchange and discussion of research findings and experiences on all subjects related to the biology and management of introduced foreign game species. A report of this meeting is to be submitted to the Section and distributed to all interested individuals.
- 4. To serve as a clearing house of information on all aspects of foreign game introductions. The Committee will serve as distributor of progress reports of field studies and other pertinent literature to mem-

ber states and to all interested individuals. It is felt that technicians can be assisted in wise decision-making by this continual enlightenment.

Herman J. Tuttle was appointed first chairman. First meeting was held near Richmond, Va., July, 1963.

After the death of Chairman Tuttle in 1964, Lee K. Nelson was named his successor. In that year, 71 administrators and field personnel interested in working with foreign game were placed on a mailing list.

Committee meetings were held in conjunction with each Southeastern Conference during the period 1963-68.

Committee meetings were held in Maryville, Tenn., August 11-13, 1964, and in Clearwater, Fla., October 19, 1964 (open meeting):

In 1964 Committee meeting and workshop was held in Maryville, Tenn. The following papers were presented:

1. A POSSIBLE CENSUS METHOD FOR THE BLACK FRANCO-

LIN-Ray Palermo and Robert Murry.

2. REPORT ON RED JUNGLEFOWL INTRODUCTIONS IN ALA-

BAMA—James Keeler.
3. REPORT ON JAPANESE GREEN PHEASANT INTRODUCTIONS IN VIRGINIA—Dennis Hart.

- 4. SOME GAME FARM TECHNIQUES AND PROBLEMS—George Wint.
- 5. DISCUSSION OF ITEMS PERTINENT TO INTRODUCTIONS OF FOREIGN GAME BIRDS-Joe Hardy.

An open Committee meeting was held October 12, 1965, in Tulsa, Okla. The 1965 annual committee meeting and workshop was held in Louisiana, May 25-28. The workshop included the following papers:
1. DISEASE PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS ON THE GAME

FARM—Dennis Hart.

- 2. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS ON PARASITISM AMONG GAME BIRDS IN THE SOUTHEAST-Forest Kellogg and Ann Prestwood.
- 3. RELEASE TECHNIQUES AND MOCK NEST AND NEST TEMPERATURE STUDIES-Glenn Chambers.

4. DISCUSSION OF FOREIGN GAME STUDY TECHNIQUES-

Joe Hardy.

5. KENTUCKY RED JUNGLEFOWL STUDY-Carlos Kays.

The 1966 annual committee meeting and workshop was held in Missouri, May 16-19. The workshop included the following papers:

1. NON-MIGRATORY WATERFOWL-John Lynch.

- 2. LOUISIANA BLACK FRANCOLIN STUDIES—Bill Craft and Jim Emfinger.
- 3. FOOD HABITS OF REEVES PHEASANTS IN MISSOURI-Leroy Korschgen.

- 4. REDUCTION OF DISPERSAL—Joe Hardy. 5. FALL vs. SPRING RELEASES—Gene Klonglan.
- 6. CONDITIONING FOR RELEASE—Glenn Chambers.

7. SEMI-MILD PROPAGATION-Dennis Hart.

8. GENERAL DISCUSSION—Glenn Chambers.
9. STATE BY STATE PROGRESS REPORTS—Lee Nelson.

Dennis Hart was acting chairman of the Committee in Asheville, N. C., October 25, 1966. The Committee voted not to have an annual meeting in

On September 24, 1967, in New Orleans the Foreign Game Committee was made an official committee of the Southeastern Association of Game and Fish Commissioners. At this meeting at his request, Chairman Nelson was replaced by Glenn Chambers.

A committee meeting was held in Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 22-23, 1968, to dis-

cuss pertinent committee problems.

Since that time meetings have been held in Baltimore, Maryland, in conjunction with the Southeast Wildlife Conference and the 1969 workshop was held in Montgomery and Mobile, Ala., May 20-27.

Sec. Treas.			Willis King	Lyle St. Amant	Bill Baldwin	Edward E. Hueske	Jim Jenkins	Jim Jenkins	Frank Barick	Leslie L. Glasgow	Leslie L. Glasgow	Dan W. Speake	Dan W. Speake	Harold E. Wallace	Harold E. Wallace	Burd S. McGinnes	Burd S. McGinnes	Walter Rosene	Walter Rosene	Dale Arner	Dale Arner	Lovett Williams, Jr.
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Date	Nov. 3, 4, 5, 1947	Oct. 31, Nov. 1, 2, 1948	Oct. 30, 31, Nov. 1, 2, 1949	Oct. 15-18, 1950	Oct. 22-24, 1951	Oct. 19-22, 1952	Oct. 11-14, 1953	Oct. 31, Nov. 3, 1954	October 2-5, 1955	Oct. 7-10, 1956	Oct. 20-23, 1957	Oct. 19-22, 1958	Oct. 20, 1959	Oct. 28, 1960	Oct. 24, 1961	Oct. 14-17, 1962	Oct. 16, 1963	Oct. 21, 1964	Oct. 13, 1965	Oct. 24, 1966	Sept. 27, 1967	Oct. 23, 1968