THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA.

A meeting of the committee to organize a national entomological society, for which provision was made at the Philadelphia meeting of the Entomological Club of the A. A. A. S., was held June 28, 1906, in the entomological laboratory of Cornell University. The New York Entomological Society was represented by Mr. Carl Schaeffer, the Chicago Entomological Society by Dr. James G. Needham, the Jugatae (the Ithaca Society) by Professor J. H. Comstock, the Newark Entomological Society by Mr. J. A. Grossbeck, the Entomological Society of Ontario by Rev. Professor C. J. S. Bethune, and the American Entomological Society by Mr. J. Chester Bradley. At an adjourned meeting the Washington Entomological Society was represented by Mr. E. S. G. Titus.

The committee was organized by the appointment of Professor Comstock as chairman and Mr. Bradley as secretary.

The secretary then stated in brief the history of the present movement for the organization of a national entomological society. The parts of Mr. Lyman's two Presidential Addresses dealing with the organization of an entomological union were read and discussed. Discussion then followed as to the purposes for which such a society should exist and as to whether there was need for one. The opinion that there was such a need seemed to prevail, but it was urged that if the society be formed it should be based on broad and comprehensive grounds. It was then moved that it is the sense of this committee that the organization of a national entomological society is desirable. Every member in turn was called upon for an expression of opinion, and every one spoke in favor of the organization; but it was the feeling of the committee that the success of such a society would depend on the securing of cooperation of other societies as the Association of Economic Entomologists and the Entomological Club of the A. A. A. S.

It was suggested that provision might advantageously be made for committees on policy, as on education, on legislation, on museum methods, and on nomenclature.

Strong opposition was made to the formation of any independent code for entomologists; but it was believed that a committee on nomenclature might have legitimate ground for existence in voicing the peculiar needs of entomology in matters of nomenclature and in securing their adequate representation in the International Zoological Congress.

A sub-committee was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws, which should embody the decisions reached by the committee, and to report them at an adjourned meeting.

The committee then discussed membership, dues, officers, elections and other matters. The decisions concerning these were subsequently embodied in the constitution and by-laws. The committee then adjourned until the following day.

At an adjourned meeting held June 29, 1906, the report of the sub-committee on constitution and by-laws was read and discussed. After the making of some changes the report was adopted, and the sub-committee was authorized to prepare and have printed a report of the committee together with the Constitution and By-laws, and to send them with an invitation to be present at the initial meeting of the society, to every entomologist in the country whose address could be learned, and to have them published in the entomological journals. The sub-committee was also authorized to call an initial meeting in New York City in connection with the midwinter meetings of the A. A. A. S., to make arrangements for that meeting, and to transact such other business as may be necessary.

At a second adjourned meeting held June 30, 1906, it was decided to apply at once for affiliation with the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and such application was subsequently made.

J. CHESTER BRADLEY, Secretary.

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CONSTITUTION.

Article I.

NAME.

Section 1. This organization shall be known as The Entomological Society of America.

Article II.

OBJECTS.

Section 1. It shall be the purpose of this society to promote the science of entomology in all its branches, to secure cooperation in all measures tending to that end, and to facilitate personal intercourse between entomologists.

Article III.

MEMBERSHIP.

Section 1. The active membership of this society shall consist of two classes: members and fellows.

Section 2. All persons interested in entomology shall be eligible to membership.

Section 3. Members who have contributed to the science of entomology in some important way may be elected fellows of the society. The number of fellows shall not exceed fifty at any time.

Article IV.

OFFICERS.

Section 1. The officers of the society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, and a Secretary-Treasurer. The duty of these officers shall be those usually pertaining to their respective offices.

Section 2. The business of the society not otherwise provided for shall be in the hands of an executive committee consisting of the officers named in Section 1 and six additional members, who shall be elected by the society. Four members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

Section 3. The President shall represent the society upon the Council of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.*

Article V.

ELECTIONS.

SECTION 1. Election of Members. Nominations for membership may be made by any two members, and election shall be by Executive Committee.

Section 2. Election of Fellows. All nominations for fellows shall be signed by three or more members or fellows, and each nomination shall be accompanied by the following information concerning the nominee: name, address, occupation, branches of entomology engaged in, positions held involving entomological experience, entomological work done, and list of publications.

Election shall be by ballot at the annual meeting, upon nominations approved by the executive committee. Ballot may also be taken upon such other nominations, previously sent to the executive committee, as may be demanded by any five members or fellows. All elections of fellows shall require a two thirds vote of the members present.

Section 3. All officers shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting, for a term of one year, and shall be eligible for re-election.

^{*} This section was adopted provisionally; it is to be included if affiliation with A. A. A. S. be granted.

Article VI.

MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. An annual meeting shall be held at such time and place as the Executive Committee each year may select.

Article VII.

AMENDMENTS.

Section 1. This constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting by a two thirds vote of the members present, a copy of each amendment proposed having been sent to members and fellows at least one month in advance of the meeting.

BY-LAWS.

- 1. The annual dues for members and fellows shall be one dollar.
- 2. A majority of the members present at an annual meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
- 3. Notice of all meetings of the society shall be sent to members at least one month in advance.
- 4. The Executive Committee shall provide a program for all meetings, including at the annual meeting, a popular lecture, and a technical entomological exhibit of material and methods.
- 5. The time of the business meeting shall be published prior to the opening session of the annual meeting.

















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