

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Five meetings of the Executive Committee and officers of the Society were held in Winter Haven during the past year, Dr. J. R. Beckenbach presiding as Chairman.

At the Dec. 20th meeting it was decided:

That all back volumes of the "Proceedings" be priced at the membership fee current at the time of purchase regardless of the number ordered.

That all titles of papers must be submitted in time to appear on the printed program in order to qualify for publication in the "Proceedings."

That the Southern Section of the American Society for Horticultural Science be invited to hold its 1951 Spring meeting in Florida.

This invitation has been accepted.

At the April 13th meeting it was decided:

That the Executive Committee through one of its secretaries hold at least five copies of each volume of the "Proceedings" from general sale; these copies to be disposed of by vote of the Executive Committee to colleges or research organizations within the State.

That the Secretary be requested to obtain, by purchase if necessary, at least five copies of each volume of the "Proceedings" and to bind up a complete set for the Society's file.

That papers presented before the Society at its annual meetings should not exceed four printed pages of narrative plus two pages of tables, charts, etc.; all pages in excess to be paid for by the author at the rate of \$5.00 per page.

At the June 21st meeting it was decided:

That all members be billed for \$4.00 which includes \$3.00 as annual dues and \$1.00 advance registration fee. Every person attending any of the meetings is expected to register; the registration fee is \$1.00.

At the September 22nd meeting it was decided:

That preliminary programs should be mailed to all members of the Society, to all county agricultural agents and to all garden clubs. A total of 1750 programs were mailed.

That the Treasurer be authorized to close out the Savings Account and purchase a U. S. Government bond in the name of the Society.

That a recommendation be placed on the agenda of the annual business meeting to the effect that the fee of a Life Member be raised to \$100.

That the entire membership be polled regarding their desire as to the time of the Annual Meeting: Late April and Early May or late October and early November.

At the meeting held Oct. 31st it was decided:

That any author presenting a paper before the Society at its annual meeting may publish his paper in any publication he chooses, provided acknowledgment is made that this paper has been presented before the Florida State Horticultural Society.

That the time for holding the annual meeting of the Florida State Horticultural Society be voted on by the membership at the general session on Thursday morning, Nov. 2nd.

FLORIDA STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Lem P. Woods, Treasurer

Tampa

Balance Sheet

October 30, 1950

Receipts:

Cash on hand 10/26/49.....	\$ 118.07
Deposit 11/4/49 by former treasurer.....	715.14
Dues received for:	
1949	\$2,032.00
1950	2,331.00
1951	6.00
One Patron and Life Membership.....	50.00
Total Dues Received.....	\$4,419.00
Registration Fees for 1950.....	187.00
Sale of Proceedings.....	174.75
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$5,613.96

Disbursements:

1949 Expenses:	
Convention	\$ 400.52
Miscellaneous	15.90
Proceedings	1,742.65
Total 1949 Expenses.....	\$2,159.07
1950 Expenses to Date:	
Convention	\$ 76.83
Miscellaneous	36.05
Stationery, Printing and Stamps.....	119.52
Total 1950 Expenses to Date.....	\$ 232.40
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS TO DATE.....	\$2,391.47
CASH BALANCE AS OF OCTOBER 30, 1950.....	\$3,222.49

GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

Winter Haven, Florida

October 31, 1950

The report of the Treasurer, Mr. Lem P. Woods, was read and accepted.

The report of the Necrology Committee was read by Mr. Frank M. O'Byrne.

The report of the Executive Committee was read by Dr. Ernest L. Spencer, Secretary.

A recommendation of the Executive Committee was reported by Dr. J. R. Beckenbach, Chairman, as follows:

That the fee of a Life Member be raised to \$100.

The above recommendation was then adopted.

The meeting was then adjourned.

November 2, 1950

The resolutions as listed elsewhere in this Proceedings were passed as read.

Mr. Frank Alexander gave the report of the Nominating Committee. The nominees as listed at the front of this Proceedings were unanimously elected.

The motion was made by Treasurer Lem P. Woods and duly seconded that the registration fee be absorbed and the dues for an Annual Member be raised to \$4.00 per year, beginning 1951. Motion carried.

The question as to whether the Annual Meetings of the Society should be held in the Spring or in the Fall was discussed at some length. The motion was passed that the Society continue to hold its Annual Meeting in the Fall of the year.

The meeting was adjourned.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas the sixty-third Annual Meeting of the Florida State Horticultural Society has been most successful and

Whereas the local arrangements committees, expending much time and effort both prior to and during this meeting, have contributed greatly to its success

Therefore be it resolved by the Florida State Horticultural Society, that the Society thank

1. The local arrangements.
2. The Hon. Nathan Mayo, Commissioner of Agriculture, Mr. George Copeland and Mr. Charles Hughes for the use of the facilities of the Florida Citrus Building and Nora Mayo Hall.
3. The City of Winter Haven for the use of the Civic Center and Youth Center Buildings and particularly

Mayor L. H. Recker for special courtesies extended.

4. Mr. E. L. Davis, Secretary, Winter Haven Chamber of Commerce, for his help in publicizing the meeting.
5. The Haven Hotel for their facilities and services.
6. Representatives of press and radio for help in publicizing the meeting.

Whereas the Food and Agriculture Committee of the United Nations has drafted an International Plant Protection Convention or Agreement providing for the inspection, certification and movement of plants and plant products in International Trade, which agreement will be presented for approval at the November meeting of FAO in Washington, D. C., and

Whereas, representatives of the Nations Agricultural Industries who are intensely interested in this agreement have not been afforded opportunities to study its several provisions, now,

Therefore, be it resolved by the members of The Florida Horticultural Society at its Sixty-third Annual Meeting held in Winter Haven, Florida, this 2nd day of November, 1950, that they go on record as opposing hasty approval of the Agreement; and furthermore, that the Secre-

tary of the Society be, and hereby is, instructed to request the Hon. Charles Brannon, Secretary of Agriculture, to take all action within his authority to bring about the postponement of the approval of the Agreement by the U. S. Delegates to FAO until such time as representatives of the nation's agricultural industries be afforded opportunities to study it and to express their views and offer their recommendations with respect to it.

NECROLOGY

Royal J. Wilmot

Royal J. Wilmot, Horticulturist at the University of Florida and nationally-known authority on camellias, died May 7, 1950, in Gainesville at the age of 52 years.

During his 17 years on the staff of the Agricultural Experiment Station he attained national recognition for his work on camellias and developed the largest camellia variety planting in the United States. When the American Camellia Society was organized in 1945, Mr. Wilmot became its secretary, a post which he held up to the time of his death. He was also editor of the Society's yearbook.

He served as vice president and chairman of the Ornamental Section of the Florida State Horticultural Society in 1948.

Joshua C. Chase

Joshua C. Chase, pioneer Florida Citrus developer and chairman of the board of Chase & Co., died January 7, 1948, in Winter Park at the age of 89.

During his lifetime he was active in civic affairs in Jacksonville. While in Jacksonville he organized the first troop of negro scouts and was himself a Silver Beaver Scouter and Chief Scout Com-

missioner. He was also director of the Florida Children Home Society. In 1930 he was elected President of the Florida Citrus Exchange. In point of both age and length of service he was the oldest director of the Barnett National Bank, one of the greatest financial institutions of Florida and the South.

Lemuel R. Woods

Lemuel R. Woods, Founder and President of the Gulf Fertilizer Company in Tampa, died at his home at the age of 81.

In 1903 he founded the Manatee Fertilizer Company in Palmetto, at that time the only fertilizer manufacturing concern south of Jacksonville. In 1905 the plant was moved to Tampa and the firm name changed to The Gulf Fertilizer Company. Mr. Woods did much to further the progress of agriculture in the state of Florida.

His son, Lem P. Woods, is Treasurer of the Florida State Horticultural Society.

Charles E. Bell

Dr. Charles E. Bell, 65, chemist at the Agricultural Experiment Station for more than 28 years, died of a heart attack in Gainesville Oct. 15, 1949.

At the time of his death he was a member of the Florida Academy of Science, American Society of Agronomy, Soil Science Society of America, and Soil Science Society of Florida. He published in many scientific journals in the field of soil chemistry.

Mary E. Keown

Miss Mary E. Keown, State Home Demonstration Agent for nearly 14 years, died at her home in Tallahassee on August 11, 1950, at the age of 56.

In 1934 while on loan from the Florida Agricultural Extension Service, she established home demonstration work in Puerto Rico. "Progressive Farmer," well known Southern farm journal, named her Woman of the Year 1945 in service to Florida's agriculture and rural home life.

Harry S. (Rox) Pollard

Harry S. (Rox) Pollard, age 61, passed away in Lakeland December 5, 1949, after a short illness.

For many years he was associated with the Gulf, Lyons and Florida Favorite Fertilizer Companies. He was one of the pioneers in the use of sec-

ondary elements in fertilization programs. At the time of his death he was Production Manager for the Wm. P. McDonald Corporation. In spite of his active business life, he had time for Cub Scout work, P.T.A. and other youth work in the city of Lakeland.

Wilhelm L. Pederson

Wilhelm L. Pederson, 85, prominent citrus grower and president-emeritus of the Waverly Growers Cooperative, died at his home in Winter Haven, July 28, 1950.

A native of Denmark, he emigrated to this country and settled in Iowa in 1884. In 1914 he moved to Winter Haven where he is credited with introducing into the citrus industry many of the agricultural cooperative ideas for which his native Denmark has become famous. He became president of the Waverly Growers Cooperative around 1920 and served in that capacity until his retirement in 1935.

Mr. Pederson maintained a life-long interest in his native country and held two decorations from the King of Denmark in honor of his services to Denmark, especially during the last war.