

THE SOCIETY'S BUSINESS

Annual General Meeting.—The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at the Offices of the Zoological Society of London, Regent's Park, N.W. 1, on Wednesday, 1st April, 1953, at 5 p.m.

The Marquess of Willingdon, President, in the Chair.

Tea will be served at 4.30 p.m., price 1s.

Agenda

1. Reading and confirmation of the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
2. Presentation of the Auditors' Report.
3. Discussion of the Auditors' Report.
4. Presentation of the Council's Annual Report.
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6. Election of Officers of the Society.
7. Election of members to fill vacancies on the Council.

NOTES

1. The Auditors' Report, the accounts for 1952, and the Council's Annual Report are published in this number of *Oryx*.

2. The Council recommends that the following shall be elected as Officers of the Society for 1953 :—

President : The Marquess of Willingdon.

Honorary Treasurer : I. D. Malcolmson, Esq.

3. In accordance with F.P.S. Rule 5, the following members of the Council retire on 1st April, 1953, and are not eligible for re-election for one year :—

G. Dent, Esq., M.C.

A. Ezra, Esq., O.B.E.

Sir William Gowers, K.C.M.G.

4. The following have been appointed to fill vacancies on the Council and their names are submitted for confirmation :—

F. S. Collier, Esq., C.B.E.

Sir Geoffrey de Havilland, C.B.E.

Lecture and Films.—Immediately after the Annual General Meeting, Miss Frances Pitt will give a talk and will show her film "A Naturalist in Norway".

THE COUNCIL

Meetings of the Council were held on 8th January, 1953, and 26th February, 1953. Points of interest to members generally,

not already touched upon in this number of *Oryx*, are given below:—

Resignation.—The resignation of Dr. T. C. S. Morrison-Scott, D.S.C., owing to pressure of other work, was regretfully accepted.

International Committee for Bird Preservation.—Mr. Alfred Ezra expressed his regret that he could no longer represent the Society on the British Section of the International Committee for Bird Preservation. The Secretary was nominated in his place.

Times of General Meetings.—It was decided to alter the normal time of General Meetings from 4.15 p.m. to 5 p.m.

OTHER MATTERS

General Meetings.—General Meetings were held on the 28th October and the 2nd December, 1952. At the first an interesting talk on “The Balance of Nature” was given by Captain C. R. S. Pitman, C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., and the Society’s film “Wild Life of the Indian Jungle” was shown.

At the second meeting Mr. R. I. G. Attwell, B.Sc., showed his film of the Luangwa Valley, Northern Rhodesia, and gave an excellent description of the game reserves and fauna of the valley.

Change of Postal District.—The Society’s postal district is now London, N.W. 1.

Wild Life Films.—The following 16 mm. coloured films may be borrowed from the Society:—

“The African Elephant.” F.P.S. Film No. 1, 10 minutes, silent.

“The Wild Life of East Africa.” F.P.S. Film No. 2, 45 minutes, silent.

“Animals of Ceylon.” F.P.S. Film No. 3, 20 minutes, silent.

“Wild Animals of the Indian Jungle.” F.P.S. Film No. 4, 30 minutes, silent.

“Animal Kingdom.” A tourist film of the Kruger National Park, 25 minutes, sound.

Subscriptions, 1953.—Will members who have not paid their subscriptions for 1953 please do so now.