

THE SOCIETY'S BUSINESS

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY, 30TH APRIL, 1963, AT 5.30 P.M.

The Marquess of Willingdon, President, in the Chair.

1. *The Minutes* of the last Annual General Meeting were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

2. *Auditor's Report*.—The Chairman proposed and it was carried unanimously that the Report of the Auditors and the Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1962, be approved and adopted.

3. *Annual Report*.—The Chairman proposed and it was carried unanimously that the Report of the Council for the year ending 31st December, 1962, be approved and adopted.

4. *Election of Officers*.—It was proposed by Mr. John Hillaby, seconded by Mr. E. P. Field and carried unanimously that the Marquess of Willingdon be re-elected President of the Society and Mr. I. D. Malcolmson re-elected Honorary Treasurer.

5. *New Vice-Presidents*.—The following were unanimously elected Vice-Presidents :—

Syed W. Ameer Ali, C.I.E.

Sir Landsborough Thomson, C.B., D.Sc.

Sir Solly Zuckerman, C.B., D.Sc., F.R.S.

6. *New Members of Council*.—It was proposed from the Chair and carried unanimously that the following elections to the Council be confirmed :—

Sir Hugh Elliott, Bart., O.B.E.

R. S. R. Fitter, Esq.

Major C. W. Hume, O.B.E., M.C.

Lieut.-Colonel P. G. Molloy, M.C.

E. H. Tong, Esq., F.L.A.S.

7. *Chairman's Address*.—The Chairman, in a brief address, thanked the Meeting, on behalf of Mr. Malcolmson and himself, for their re-election.

The Chairman then said that it was with great regret that he had to announce Colonel Boyle's decision to retire from the Secretaryship of the Society at the end of 1963. He then thanked Colonel Boyle on behalf of the Council and members of the Society for the work he had done and said that there would always be a seat on the Council for him.

The Chairman announced that Mr. R. S. R. Fitter would succeed Colonel Boyle as Secretary, and Mrs. Fitter would become Editor of *Oryx*. Mr. John Hillaby would continue as the Society's Public Relations Officer.

The Chairman told the Meeting that Dr. T. C. S. Morrison-Scott, Director of the Natural History Museum, had agreed to become Vice-Chairman of the Council.

8. *Lecture*.—Immediately after the Annual General Meeting, Mr. John Hillaby gave an illustrated talk entitled "A Foot Safari in East Africa".

GENERAL MEETINGS

The thanks of the Society are offered to the following for lectures kindly given at General Meetings :—

18th October, 1962 : Mr. Anthony Smith, " Balloon Safari."

30th April, 1963 : Mr. John Hillaby, " A Foot Safari in East Africa."

26th June, 1963 : Mr. E. P. Gee, " Wild Life of India and Nepal."

WILD LIFE FILMS

The film library consists of the following 16 mm. films and two 35 mm. film strips. All are coloured unless otherwise stated. They may be borrowed by members and others.

Silent Films (with Captions)

" The African Elephant." 10 minutes.

" Wild Life in Southern Rhodesia." Elephants and other animals in the Wankie National Park, with a commentary. 15 minutes.

" Wild Animals of the Indian Jungle." 20 minutes.

" Foxes and Badgers." 11 minutes.

" Wild Camels of Mongolia." 4 minutes.

Sound Films

" Kinship of the Creature." The animals of East Africa, with a plea for their conservation. 30 minutes.

" Expedition Moose." The protection of the moose in Ontario, Canada. 18 minutes.

" Ring-necked Pheasant." The life-history in Canada of the introduced ring-necked pheasant. 12 minutes.

" Heritage of Natal and Zululand." A tourist film of the Natal National Parks. 12 minutes.

" Wild Life in Uganda." 12 minutes.

" Wild Animals in Uganda National Parks." 22 minutes.

" Tanganyika National Parks." 28 minutes.

" Down in the Forest." Australia (Kangaroos). 6 minutes.

" Kaziranga." The wild animals of the Kaziranga Sanctuary, Assam. 12 minutes.

" Birds of East and Central Africa." 45 minutes.

" Safari South." 40 minutes.

" Big Game Country." 20 minutes.

The above two films have been received on loan from the South African Tourist Corporation and are gratefully acknowledged.

" Rhodesian Wild Life." 45 minutes.

35 mm. Film Strip

" Wild Life in East Africa." Twenty-five coloured pictures of animals, with a written commentary, suitable for an hour's talk.

"ORYX"

Bound and indexed volumes of *Oryx*, Vol. VI, may be bought from the Society at £2 per copy. A few previous volumes are available at the same price.

Members wishing to have their own numbers bound should send them, together with the preliminary pages and index (already distributed with *Oryx*), to Stephen Austin and Sons, Ltd., Caxton Hill, Ware Road, Hertford, Herts. Price 19s. 6d., post free.

Old Numbers.—Copies of most of the later numbers are available at 5s. each, post free.

EXHIBITION CARDS

Sets of eleven cards, each 8 in. by 9½ in., picturing rare Asiatic animals, giving information about them and with maps showing their past and present distribution, are for sale by the Society at 3s. per set, post free. The pictures and maps are reproduced—with permission and grateful acknowledgments—from the original drawings by Mr. Gene M. Christman, Staff Illustrator of the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology, University of California, for Mr. Lee Merriam Talbot's "A Look at Threatened Species" (*vide Oryx*, Vol. V, 4).

CHRISTMAS CARDS

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The Society is most grateful to Mr. Maurice Wilson for again presenting the drawing for its Christmas Card.



THE RUFFED LEMUR

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