

MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1936: November 27. Meeting of the Executive Committee in Furman Hall, Vanderbilt University. Present: Fountain, Shaver, Rhodes, McGill, and Dr. C. L. Baker, Associate Director and Resident Biologist of the Reelfoot Lake Biological Station. Members elected: Paul J. Arnold, State Teachers College, Jacksonville, Alabama; Dr. Alvin R. Cahn, TVA, Knoxville; Richard L. Caylor, State Teachers College, Cleveland, Mississippi; D. S. Collins, Jr., High School, Union City, Tennessee; Dr. W. P. Fishel, Department of Chemistry, Vanderbilt University; Robert Sugg Fleming, Training School, East Carolina Teachers College, Greeneville, North Carolina; Percy Johnson, Municipal Waterworks, Nashville, Tennessee; Rayburn W. Johnson; Harold C. Jones, Professor of Biology, Berry College, Mount Berry, Georgia; Dr. Amalia Lautz, Department of Chemistry, George Peabody College for Teachers; William Hugh McBride; Ewell B. Pittard; Dr. Harold T. Straw, Professor of Geography, State Teachers College, Murfreesboro; Dr. Frank L. Wren, Department of Mathematics, George Peabody College for Teachers. Dr. Baker presented a report of the work done at the Reelfoot Lake Biological Station during the past summer.

MEETING OF THE BOTANICAL SECTION OF
THE TENNESSEE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

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The meeting of the Botanical Section of the Tennessee Academy of Science was held in the afternoon of November 27, 1936, in Room 115, Buttrick Hall, Vanderbilt University. The Chairman, Dean L. R. Hesler of the University of Tennessee, presided. Approximately forty persons were in attendance.

The fifteen papers and two demonstrations listed on the printed program were presented during the meeting.

A short business meeting followed the program. Dr. Shaver presented the report of the Committee on By-laws (for the Botanical Section) and moved the adoption of a set of By-laws. These were unanimously adopted by the members of the Section. The Chairman then called for nominations and election of officers for the coming year, as required by the By-laws. Dr. Jesse M. Shaver of George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, was unanimously elected to the office of Chairman, and Harold C. Bold of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, to that of Secretary of the Botanical Section. The meeting adjourned at 5:30 P. M.

BY-LAWS OF THE BOTANICAL SECTION OF THE
TENNESSEE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

(ADOPTED NOVEMBER 27, 1936, AT VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY,
NASHVILLE)

1. The main purpose of the Botanical section is to unite all botanists, or those interested in botany, in Tennessee and nearby states, into a compact group. It is hoped that such a group will foster research in the field and stimulate the younger and the older but less active members into renewed activity.
2. Any member of the Tennessee Academy of Science who evinces interest in plants may be enrolled as a member of the Botanical Section.

3. The Officers of the Botanical Section of the Tennessee Academy of Science shall be a Chairman and a Secretary.
4. The duties of the Chairman shall be to preside at all regular or called meetings of the Botanical Section, to call meetings of the Section at his discretion or at the behest of ten or more members of the Section, to appoint such committees as may seem wise, to arrange programs for meetings of the Section (or appoint committees to attend to this duty), and to attend to such other duties as usually pertain to the office of Chairman. In the absence of the Chairman at any meeting of the Section, the Botany Editor of the Journal of the Tennessee Academy of Science shall preside. If both the Chairman and the Botany Editor should be absent, the Chairman of the local committee of the Section shall preside.
5. The duties of the Secretary shall be to keep a roll of all members of the Tennessee Academy of Science that are also members of the Botanical Section, to keep a roll of members of the Botanical Section and visitors present at all meetings of the Section, to keep accurate minutes of all such meetings, to increase as much as possible membership in the Botanical Section by the members of the Tennessee Academy of Science, to try to bring into the Academy and into the Botanical Section all botanists and those interested in Botany in Tennessee and even other states. Thirty days before the regular annual meeting, the Secretary of the Section shall send a nomination ballot to each member of the Botanical Section. The results shall be presented to the Section for its use in the election of officers. The other duties of Secretary shall be those usually pertaining to the office.
6. The officers of the Botanical Section shall be elected annually and usually at the Thanksgiving meeting of the Section. In the absence of a meeting at this time the incumbent officers shall hold over until their successors have been elected. Election shall be by a majority of the votes cast.
7. A majority of the members present at the regularly announced meeting of the Section shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
8. By-laws may be amended or changed at any regular meeting of the Section by a majority vote of the members present, provided that an announcement of such intention has been mailed to each member of the Section at least one month before the meeting.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE JOURNAL OF THE TENNESSEE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

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Once again it is the Editor's pleasure and privilege to report on his activities and on the condition of the Journal for the past year, 1936. As before this can perhaps be done best by tabulating the most important information. With this data (in the table below) has been placed for comparison, a summary for 1933, 1934, and 1935.

The Editor must confess that he has found it increasingly difficult to edit the Journal as it should be, secure advertisements, and collect for same, have reprints made and collected for, etc., in the leisure time at his disposal. This is in part due to the increased demands on his time by the task by which he earns his daily bread, the editing of the Journal being, of course, nonremunerative. Several means of