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Dear Sirs:

Enclosed you will find copies of the minutes of the Board of Directors and of the 20th Annual Meeting of the State Council held in Wenatchee the week-end of June 5-6, 1954. Also you will find the minutes of the joint meeting of the officers of the Oregon Wildlife Federation, Idaho Wildlife Federation and the Washington State Sportsmen's Council and a roster of all persons attending.

Also enclosed are copies of all resolutions adopted and actions noted on those not adopted.

The time is fast approaching for the annual Orcas Island Boys' Camp to convene, all clubs that have not as yet sent in the fee for a boy and the names of those chosen to attend the camp are urged to do so as soon as possible.

A list of the officers and directors selected to govern the Council for the ensuing year is printed on this letterhead. The Committee chairmen are listed in the minutes.

Copies of the Committee Reports will be mailed to you as soon as the reports are all in and mimeographed.

Sincerely yours,

Fred N. Mintzer, Secretary

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[5 Jun 1954]

DIRECTORS MEETING
June 5-6, 1954
WENATCHEE, WASHINGTON

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m. with all officers and directors present except Porter Carter who was represented by F. H. Cole of Colville. On motion made and duly seconded, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

A detailed financial report was submitted by the Secretary Treasurer and was ordered accepted and placed on file. The Secretary-Treasurer requested that an auditing committee be appointed to check the records of the past year. E. C. Yarwood and Ransom Minkler were appointed.

Applications for membership in the Council of the following clubs were unanimously approved. Methow Valley Packers Assn., North Seattle Archers, Washington State Predator Hunters, Seattle Fire Fighters Rod and Gun Club, Custer Sportsmen's Club, Secoma Bowhunters, Colyak Bowhunters, Lopez Island Sportsmen's Club, Lopez Island Rod and Gun Club, Alcoa Rod and Gun Club, Cascade Archery Club and the Washington Salmon Conservation Council.

The "Status of clubs" report showed 176 clubs in good standing and five delinquent. Lee Hughes reported on the Junior Sportsmens organization and presented a copy of their Constitution and By-laws, and requested authorization to select an outstanding Jr. Sportsmen of the State and present him with a suitable trophy.

Lowell Johnson moved that the directors go on record as favoring the sponsorship of the Jr. Sportsmen's organization after investigating the legality, seconded by Vic DeGarmo and carried without dissent. Lee Hughes then presented the matter of taking a membership in the Conservation Education Association, a national organization, and on motion of Bill Snell, the Education Committee was authorized to take out a membership.

Bill Snell moved that the sum of \$200 be appropriated to the Education Committee to cover expense of sponsoring a news letter for the Jr. Sportsmen's Assn., a substitute motion was offered to postpone action until later in the meeting, which prevailed.

On motion of Vic DeGarmo the president was authorized to appoint such additional standing committees as deemed necessary until the by-laws were amended to provide permanent committees. Vic DeGarmo reported that the Keep Washington Clean committee had been active and had not used any of the \$25 appropriated for their use at the 1953 June meeting.

Six resolutions relating to commercial fishing on the Columbia River, Indian fishing sites on the Columbia River, granting of a permit to the City of Tacoma to construct a diversion dam on the Skokomish river, lowering the minimum flow of water over the Prosser Dam, the cut of funds allocated to the Quilcane hatchery, and the granting of a permit to construct the Bruces Eddy and Penny Cliffs dams on the Clearwater river were declared emergencies.

The secretary was directed to write the City Commission of Wenatchee, commending them for their efforts to construct a sewage disposal plant. On motion of Bill Snell, the directors voted that in the future all emergency resolutions submitted for consideration shall be submitted in proper form and that 300 mimeographed copies be furnished for use of the delegates.

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After a lengthy discussion of the legality of Resolution No. 12, Vic DeGarmo moved that further consideration by the Directors of Resolution No. 12 be indefinitely postponed, seconded by B. W. Lyon and carried unanimously.

The matter of obtaining signatures in Initiative No. 197 was discussed at some length. The secretary reported that eleven directors had voted "yes" on the proposition of underwriting the initial cost of printing the petition up to \$1000 and three voting "no".

It was then moved and seconded that the directors inform Lee Olwell that the Council would bend every effort to obtain signatures on the petition, which carried by a vote of 12 to 2.

Colwell then moved that pledges for signatures be requested at the regular session of the Council on Sunday. Carried. The board then took up the awarding of the John C. Stevenson trophy, and as the entire board had not had the opportunity of studying the achievement reports submitted, Condon Barclay moved that a committee of one be appointed to study the achievement reports and give a resume of the club achievements. Carried. Vic DeGarmo then moved that Condon Barclay be appointed as said committee and report at a breakfast meeting Sunday a.m. at 7:30. Carried.

Condon Barclay reported on the Insurance program and submitted his letter to the Company on the interpretation of the use of boats and the H. P. of motors used, and the reply of the Insurance Company which is to be filed with the Council's master policy issued by the Company.

H. J. Skelsey, Chairman of the Safety Committee, requested the directors to underwrite the cost of obtaining, not less than 4000 safety bumper stickers for the hunting season of 1954. Bob Colwell moved that the safety program inaugurated by Mr. Skelsey be continued and the cost be underwritten by the Council, which carried unanimously.

After considerable discussion on the expense incurred by the directors in attending regular and special meetings of the directors, Condon Barclay moved that the expense of the Directors attending meetings be paid by the Council. Seconded by Bob Colwell and carried by a vote of 13 to 1. Bob Colwell then moved that the usual bonus of \$300 be allowed to the secretary, seconded by Irvin Stokes and carried without dissent.

Bill Snell moved that the sum of \$200 be allocated to the education committee to be used in sponsoring the Jr. Sportsmen's news letter, seconded by DeGarmo and carried.

Dave Botting reported that the Washington State Resources Committee appointed in 1951 had completed their work and had requested that the Council assist in publishing the text book on State resources to be used in the schools. Condon Barclay moved that \$100 be allowed for that purpose, seconded by Irvin Stokes and carried.

Jorgen Hjelmeland moved that the names of all directors be printed on the Council's stationary, seconded by Dr. Smith and carried.

At 12:00 midnight the meeting recessed to meet at 7:30 a.m. Sunday for breakfast meeting.

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The first order of business upon reconvening was the report of Condon Barclay on the achievements submitted by the Richland Rod and Gun Club, the Thurston County Poggie Club, and the Cowlitz Game and Anglers Club. Mr. Barclay gave a complete evaluation of each club's achievements, and upon vote the Richland Rod and Gun Club was selected for the award.

Vic Degarmo moved that the board recommend to the new board of directors that rules for the reporting club achievements be set up, seconded by B. W. Lyon and carried.

Irvin Stokes moved that a letter of congratulation be sent to the Kittitas County Cattlemen's Assn. for receiving the "Outdoor Life's Conservation Award" and to apologize for not having a representative attend the June 4th meeting, at which the award was present. Carried.

The auditing committee consisting of E. C. Yarwood and Ransom Minkler reported that the accounts had been checked and that the balance shown on the books agreed with the banks letter of certification, and stated that the Secretary-Treasurer has requested that he be bonded, and on motion duly made and seconded, the report was accepted, and the Secretary was instructed to obtain a bond in the sum of \$5,000.

Ed Everett moved, that because of the tremendous amount of business coming before the directors' meeting at the June meetings, that they meet at 8:00 a.m. Saturday preceeding the annual meeting. Carried.

Art Vagts of the Finance Committee reported that, a Council magazine, the raffle of a car, and raising the per capita tax had been offered as means of raising finances for the Council. No action was taken.

At a special meeting of the directors called at 2:40 p.m. Sunday, E. C. Yarwood presented two propositions for consideration: that the sum of \$2000 be deposited to Boys' Camp Fund to take care of the boys' camp expenses, and on motion duly made and seconded, it was so ordered. Second, that the expenses of one delegate from the Junior Sportsmen's Assn. be paid to attend meetings of the Council. It was regularly moved and seconded that the request be granted. Vic DeGarmo questioned the propriety of the motion. Yarwood, Hjelmeland and Stokes felt motion was in order. Motion carried unanimously.

Irvin Stokes moved that a previous motion to pay expenses of directors attending meetings be amended to read a maximum of \$15 be paid each director on expenses for each meeting attended. The motion was seconded by Ed Everett and carried.

Dave Botting raised the question of his attendance at Educational meetings and his expenses connected therewith, which was left for action of the new board, the new board later approved a motion to allow up to \$50 for his expenses in attending the Teachers' workshop during the year 1954.

The past recipients of the Weisfield Trophy were called in to meet with the board to select the individual whose contribution to conservation was considered the most valuable the past year. Minkler and Lake were excused as not being eligible to vote. The names of B. W. Lyon, Howard Gray and Edgar Burkebile were submitted for the award, which resulted in the selection of Edgar Burkebile for the honor.

Condon Barclay moved that greetings be sent to the Washington State Grange now in session, seconded by F. H. Cole and carried. Dave Botting volunteered to present the greetings.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Secretary

(Secretary's Note: WASHINGTON STATE SPORTSMEN'S COUNCIL
Minutes of the 20th Annual Meeting
June 5-6 Wenatchee, Wash.
committees will be mimeographed and mailed)

The 20th annual meeting (81st Quarterly) of the Washington State Sportsmen's Council was called to order at 3:20 p.m. Saturday, June 5th at 3:20 p.m. in the Holiday Room of the Columbia Hotel by President Bob Lake.

The roll call of officers showed all present and all directors present except Porter Carter of District 12, who was represented by F. H. Cole. A quorum was declared present and the meeting was duly opened for business.

Lowell Johnson gave a complete resume' of the Sportsmen's Tri-State meeting held at Pendleton, Oregon on May 15 and 16, 1954. (The minutes of this meeting will accompany these minutes)

Les Dams reported on the accomplishments of the Migratory Bird conference recently held at Las Vegas, Nevada, with delegates from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Utah in attendance. Lee Olwell reported on the progress of Initiative No. 197 and urged that everyone help in securing signatures.

The Secretary then read six emergency resolutions that would appear on the agenda for Sunday's meeting. A. E. Boyington, reporting for the "Keep Washington Green" committee, stated that over 3000 acres were burned over each year.

The following committee chairmen reported: Les Hughes for the Education Committee, Norman Richardson for the Pollution Control Committee, W. S. Vickerman for the Big Game Committee, Howard Gray for the Steelhead Committee, H. J. Skelsey for the Safety Committee, Art Vagts for the Finance Committee, John Carlson for the Farmer-Sportsmen's Committee.

At this time the meeting recessed until 9:30 a.m. Sunday, after which the delegates enjoyed the remainder of the day with refreshments, banquet and entertainment. The highlight of the evening was the showing of Hunting Big Game pictures in Africa by Jack O'Connor, Gun Editor of the Outdoor Life Magazine.

The meeting resumed at 9:30 a.m. Sunday with 110 clubs represented, with attendance by Districts as follows: District No. 1 (7); District No. 2 (8) District No. 3 (10); District No. 4, (9); District No. 5 (29); District No. 6 (7); District No. 7 (9) District No. 8 (7); District No. 9 (7); District No. 10 (3); District No. 11 (5); District No. 12 (4); District No. 13 (3); and District No. 14 (2), with approximately 180 registered for the meeting.

The roll call showed all officers and directors present, and following the recitation of the Sportsmen's Pledge, the minutes of the previous meeting as submitted to member clubs were approved.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of two good sportsmen, George Adams and Mark Gary who passed to their reward recently.

The reports of committee chairmen resumed with the following making reports: Edgar Burkebile for the Spiney ray committee, A. H. Goracke for the Land Acquisition committee, Dawn Holbrook for the Trout Committee stated that the trout committee report would be submitted later, Paul Duffy for the Forestry Committee.

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(Secretary's Note: The written reports of the above committees will be mimeographed and mailed as soon as received)

Lee Olwell took the floor and requested pledges to get signatures on In. 197 petition, the clubs responding to the tune of 84,001 signers.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee, Art Vagts, suggested three ways of raising funds to finance the Council as reported in the Directors Minutes.

George Zahn introduced Hugh Payton, Supt. of National Recreational areas on the Roosevelt Reservoir, explaining use of the areas held very few restrictions, that the use of the areas were governed by state laws and that 220 table and fireplace areas would be available after July 1, 1954.

Perry Elliott presented a very interesting discourse on the activities of civilian handicapped persons.

The secretary read a detailed report of the finances of the Council for the past year, and on motion of Lee Olwell, the report was accepted and ordered filed.

Consideration of Resolutions was the next order of business.

Resolution No. 1 submitted by the Vashon Sportsmen's Club, requesting the Toll Bridge Authority to take immediate action to carry out the recommendations for improved access to the Olympic Peninsula by a system of cross sound bridges. The sponsoring club moved that it do pass. A telegram was read from the Bainbridge Island Sportsmen's Club opposing the passage. A motion was then made and duly seconded that the Resolution be tabled, which carried.

Resolutions No's. 2 and 3 and 4 were withdrawn by the sponsoring clubs.

Resolution No. 5 submitted by the Steelhead Trout Club of Washington, requesting the Department of Game to limit the daily catch of steelhead during the winter run to two fish per day, possession limit of four and season limit of twenty-four. McLeod moved to adopt, seconded by Howard Gray of the Steelhead committee who reported that this committee voted for passage 10 to 2. A voice vote was taken, but the sponsors, not being satisfied, called for a roll-call. Being sustained by 10 member clubs the roll call proceeded, with a result being 56 voting for and 60 voting against. The resolution was declared to be not adopted.

Resolution No. 6 submitted by the Mt. Adams Fish and Game Club requesting a special doe hunt at the first part of the season with 800 permits good for one week, October 10 to 17. On motion duly made and seconded, the motion was tabled.

At this time the meeting recessed until 1:30 p.m. The president instructed district caucuses to choose directors for the ensuing year.

The meeting reconvened at 1:30 p.m. at which time the election of Directors for the ensuing year was announced as follows:

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District 1, Ed Everett, Satsop, Wash.	District 8, Irvin Stokes, Carleton, Wash.
District 2, Howard Nelson, Vancouver	District 9, Stan Petersen, Ellensburg
District 3, H. J. Skelsey, Shelton	District 10, Lowell Johnson, Richland
District 4, B. W. Lyon, Puyallup	District 11, James Ralls, Wilson Creek
District 5, Howard Gray, Seattle	District 12, Porter Carter, Colville
District 6, Dr. Lawrence Smith, Everett	District 13, E. C. Yarwood, Spokane
District 7, L. J. LaFreniere, Belling.	District 14, Glenn Christiansen, Clarkstn.

The consideration of resolutions was then resumed.

Resolution No. 7 submitted by the Mt. Adams Fish and Game Club requesting that an area be set aside in Klickitat County for bow and arrow hunting. On motion duly made and seconded, the resolution was referred back to sponsoring club.

Resolution No. 8 submitted by Mt. Adams Fish and Game Club requesting legislation for a dog tax on all dogs, and that any dogs found running domestic and game animals be destroyed by officers if no identification was found on said dogs. On motion duly made and seconded, the resolution was referred back to sponsors by a vote of 45 for to 24 against referral.

Resolution No. 9 was withdrawn by sponsoring club.

Resolution No. 10 submitted by Tacoma Sportsmen's Club Aux, requesting the Game Department to prohibit fishing from boats and rafts during steelhead season on the Wynoochie, Satsop and Puyallup Rivers, on motion duly made and seconded the resolution was adopted.

Resolution No. 11 was withdrawn by sponsoring club.

Resolution No. 12 submitted by the Methow Valley Sportsmen's Assn. to correct implications contained in Resolution No. 5 adopted at the March meeting in Tacoma. George Zahn speaking on the resolution stated that consideration of Resolution No. 12 at this time was contrary to the by-laws and that a vote of 2/3 majority would be necessary to consider the resolution, and moved that the by-laws be suspended and resolution No. 12 be considered at this time, and on a standing vote, the result was 73 for consideration and 3 against. The sponsoring club then moved that the resolution be adopted. Speaking for the resolution was George Gibson, W. S. Vickerman, George Zahn, John Carlson and Paul Duffy. Against the resolution was B. W. Lyon and Vic DeGarmo. Vic DeGarmo then called upon John Biggs, Director of Game, to state his opinion on the resolution, who responded in his usual pleasing manner, stating that he hoped the resolution was passed, and complimented the Council on their good sportsmanship in considering the resolution at this time to correct an apparent error. The motion carried without further debate.

An amendment to Section 3, Article VII of the By-laws was adopted as follows:
Section 3: Cooperative members may be admitted to the Council by the Board of Directors at a fee basis of \$5.00 per year, said membership being open to any person, entitling the holder thereof to certain insurance benefits and to attend all meetings of the council, but without vote.

At this time the Emergency Resolutions were taken up for consideration.

Emergency resolution No. 1, requesting the Fisheries Dept. to refrain from legalizing commercial salmon fishing on the Columbia River and its tributaries from December 1 throughout the following April 25 of each year. The adoption was moved and seconded. Carried without dissent.

Emergency Resolution No. 2, protesting any further negotiations by the U. S. Engineer Corps. which might establish a new fishing area for Indians without the approval of the Fisheries Depts. of Washington and Oregon. Motion to pass carried without dissent.

Emergency Resolution No. 3, opposing the granting of a permit to the City of Tacoma for a diversion dam on the Skokomish River. Motion to adopt carried without dissent.

Emergency Resolution No. 4, protesting the lowering of the stream flow of 200 cfs on the Prosser River to a minimum flow of 50 cfs over the Prosser Dam. On motion duly made and seconded, the resolution passed without dissent.

Emergency Resolution No. 5, protesting the cut of funds allocated to the Fish and Wildlife Service for Hatchery operation. On motion duly made and seconded, the resolution passed without dissent.

Emergency Resolution No. 6, protesting the granting of a permit to construct dams at the Penny Cliffs and Bruces Eddy on the Clearwater River in Idaho. On motion duly made and seconded, the resolution passed without dissent.

Lee Olwell was then called upon to present the Leo Weisfield Trophy for the State's outstanding sportsmen for the year, 1953. Edgar Burkebile was awarded this trophy and cited for his untiring efforts in behalf of spiny ray fishing and the Junior Sportsmen of the State.

President Bob Lake then presented the John C. Stevenson Trophy to the Richland Rod and Gun Club for the outstanding club achievements of the year 1953, which was graciously accepted by Bill Watts on behalf of the Club.

Dave Botting reported on the activities of the Teachers' Workshop, stating that 29 were enrolled for the year 1954 but that 40 was necessary for the success of the workshop.

A. E. Boyington spoke on the good of the order and stated that the Governor had stated that as long as the Council proceeded as they had in the past that the states' game matters would stay out of politics. Ransom Minkler made a few remarks on the progress of the Council and the good of the order. Les Dams reported on the sale of Duck stamps and the use of the money derived therefrom.

At this time the new directors reported on the election of officers for the ensuing year as follows:

President, Ransom Minkler, Aberdeen, Wash.
1st Vice President, Frank Bunker, Amber, Wash.
2nd Vice President, Dave Botting, Auburn, Wash.
3rd Vice President, W. S. Vickerman, Ellensburg, Wash.
Secretary-treasurer, Fred Mintzer, Wenatchee, Wash.

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Freeman Cochran moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the host club, the motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Frank Bunker, Dave Botting and W. S. Vickerman thanked the delegates electing them to their respective offices. President Bob Lake thanked the attorneys for their services on behalf of the Council.

It was announced that at the September meeting of the Council to be held at Lake Wilderness the Farmer-Sportsmen's Relations Committee would meet at 10:00 a.m. Saturday the 11th of September, the place to be announced on arrival.

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Fred N. Mintzer

Fred N. Mintzer, Secretary

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Washington State Sportsmen's Council
June 5, 6 - 1954.

RESOLUTION NO. 10 - WHEREAS the fishable areas of the Wynoochie, Satsop and Puyallup Rivers are accessible without the use of boats or rafts, and

WHEREAS the practice of drift fishermen of drifting through the fishing holes with utter disregard to bank fishermen who may be fishing there, is, to our way of thinking, very unsportsmanlike conduct, and

WHEREAS it is the practice of some drift fishermen to drag chains or some other object behind their boats to steady them, thus further adding to the disturbance of the fish, the bottom and confusion of the bank fishermen, now therefore be it

RESOLVED by the Washington State Sportsmen's Council, assembled this 6th day of June at Wenatchee, Washington, to go on record requesting the Washington State Department of Game to prohibit fishing from boats and rafts during the steelhead season on the Wynoochie, Satsop and Puyallup rivers where their courses lie outside of Indian reservations. (Submitted by Tacoma Sportsmen Club Auxilliary)

RESOLUTION No. 12 - WHEREAS the Washington State Sportsmen's Council did rightly pass at the March, 1954, Tacoma meeting the Emergency Resolution #5 aimed at showing strong disapproval of unamended Senate Bill #2548 pending in the U. S. Congress which would have given objectionable privileges to large range users of the National Forests, and

WHEREAS included in that Emergency Resolution #5, but not of an emergency nature, was the paragraph as follows: "NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

that we make known to the representatives and senators of the State of Washington 83d Congress, that the sportsmen of the State of Washington stand willing and able to pay either through direct assessment or special taxation the sum now paid into Forest Service funds by grazing permittees on Federal Forest Land in the State of Washington", and

WHEREAS this paragraph implies that the Council and Sportsmen are willing and anxious that stockmen lose all their range rights to the National Forests in the State of Washington, and

WHEREAS the range users of the National Forests are required and do own large commensurate acreages of private land (approximately 10 acres for every head of cattle ranging the National Forests) and

WHEREAS private lands of stockmen are in the main part the winter range areas of our big game herds affected by the above paragraph and our winter ranges are the limiting factor on the numbers and size of herds of those big game animals that we can maintain, and

WHEREAS the loss of National forest range permits by the stockmen due to sportsmen's actions would adversely affect good Farmer-Sportsmen's relations and result in the justified posting of those vast private range lands where a large part of our present big game and bird hunting now take place, and also result in the closures of many privately owned roads and trails, giving access now to enclosed fishing streams and lakes, and

WHEREAS the grazing stock on the National Forests are now managed by the Forest Service so that they mainly utilize only those areas and forage plants of which there is not shortage for our big game herds (i. e. summer and fall range); and the removal of these stock from the National Forests would not allow much of an increase of that small percentage of our big game herd that winter on such national forests and

WHEREAS the payment of range fees to the National Forests by the Game Department or Sportsmen for our big game herds would give legal rights

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to the National Forests entitling them to demand the range management practices of salting, movement to other areas, removal of animals from the ranges, reduction of herds, and such as the management practices they now rightly demand of the stockmen. Such could result in great costs to our Game Department; and contrary to the constitution and by-laws of this Council, encourage the management of our state game resources by a federal agency.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Washington State Sportsmen's Council that the part of the Emergency Resolution #5 of the March, 1954, Tacoma meeting dealing with the payment of National Forest range fees within this state by sportsmen with resulting exclusion of stockmen from those forests was a serious mistake on our part, and is hereby cancelled. (Submitted by Methow Valley Sportsmen's Association)

EMERGENCY RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

No. 1 - WHEREAS, Oregon and Washington fishery statistical reports disclose that during the last week in January and closing March 1 that approximately 10,000 steelhead are taken commercially each year and

WHEREAS for the same period for the years of 1950 through 1952 the steelhead averaged 73 percent and the Chinook averaged 27 percent of the total commercial take and

WHEREAS the winter commercial take constitutes but approximately 1 percent of the total annual catch and

WHEREAS out of approximately 1000 licensed gill net fishermen, an average of less than 200 landings have been recorded in any one day which indicates that very few gill net fishermen participate in the winter commercial season and

WHEREAS the small count of steelhead going over Bonneville dam for the same period indicates that the major portion of the winter steelhead are spawned in the lower Columbia River tributaries which are mainly on the Washington side.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Washington State Sportsmen's Council assembled at Wenatchee on the 6th day of June, 1954, that the Fisheries Department of Washington be requested to refrain from legalizing commercial salmon fishing on the Columbia and its tributaries for the period of December 1 through the following April 25 each year. (Submitted by the Washington Lower Columbia River Sportsmen's Council as an emergency.)

No. 2 - WHEREAS the Indians fishing at Celilo Falls have taken salmon and steelhead trout not only for subsistence purposes as provided in the Treaty of 1855, but also in huge quantities which they have diverted into commercial channels, and

WHEREAS these Indians already have been properly and adequately compensated for the loss of primitive fishing areas which will result from the construction of the Dalles Dam, and

WHEREAS the Corps of Engineers is presently considering making new fishing sites available to these Indians, which are near the mouths of fish ladders on major dams, or streams leading to fish hatcheries and

WHEREAS such new fishing sites will seriously jeopardize the survival of remaining runs of salmon and steelhead trout,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washington State Sports Council protest any further negotiations by the Corps of Engineers which might lead to the establishment of new Indian fishing sites which would endanger any runs of salmon or trout, and further that the Corps of Engineers grant no fishing sites or

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privileges to the Indians without prior approval of the Fisheries and Game Departments of the States of Washington and Oregon.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Secretary of Interior, Congressional delegation from Washington, Oregon, and Idaho, Corps of Engineers U. S. Army, and Directors of Fisheries and Game Depts. of the States of Washington, Oregon, and Idaho. (Submitted by Richland Rod and Gun Club)

No. 3 - WHEREAS the City of Tacoma in the year 1927 did build a hydro-electric dam called Cushman Dam, on the North Fork of the Skokomish River in Mason County, Washington; then, subsequently built Dam No. 2, known as Lower Cushman Dam, taking water directly from the lower reservoir through tunnels, to Hood Canal, thus by-passing the river channel with the water used for power,

WHEREAS the loss of the water from the North Fork of the Skokomish River has destroyed the spawning ground and depleted the migratory fish run

WHEREAS the City of Tacoma has not, in all these years, made proper provisions to compensate for the loss of the fish

WHEREAS said City of Tacoma now contemplates building a dam on the South Fork of the Skokomish River and tunnel the water into the present reservoir, thus by-passing the stream bed of the South Fork as well as the stream bed of the North Fork, with all waters used for power.

WHEREAS contrary to popular belief the permit for this dam has not yet been issued

WHEREAS this dam would cut the water flow in the river to the extent a salmon and steelhead run would become non-existent and

WHEREAS the loss of this stream means the loss of any sufficient spawning area for salmon in the lower Hood Canal watershed which means a great reduction of fish to both sports and commercial fisherman and an untold loss for future generations

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the W.S.S.C. in convention June 6, 1954, go on record as opposing the issuance of the permit for this dam as a conservation measure, and release publicity to this effect to arouse public opinion against the dam to such an extent that the permit will not be issued. (Submitted by Hood Canal Sportsmen's Association and Mason County Sports and Skeet Club)

No. 4 - WHEREAS the Yakima River is a primary migration route for salmon and steelhead, and sustains large resident populations of small-mouth bass, German brown trout and several other species, and

WHEREAS the Department of Game has set 200 c.f.s. to be the minimum flow of water that must pass over the Prosser Dam and be available between said Dam and the Power House discharge twelve months of the year, and

WHEREAS the proposed Bureau of Reclamation plan known as the Kennewick Project would allow this minimum amount to pass only during a period in the Spring and Fall, reducing the flow to 50 c.f.s. in the other months, and

WHEREAS an amount that small would have a very serious effect upon resident populations of fish and very possibly could result in serious interference of upstream-downstream movements of migratory fish as a result of shallow water, temperature blocks, and making the fish readily accessible to poachers and gaffers now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Washington State Sportsmen's Council, in convention assembled at Wenatchee, Washington this 6th day of June, 1954, that in event the said Kennewick Project is carried to completion, the Bureau of

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of Reclamation be required to channelize sections of the Yakima River to insure passage of fish, to build new fishways and reconstruct existing fishways at all Reclamation dams on the Yakima River system, including satisfactory fishways for the Horn Dam where there are none at present, and, in any other way, comply with fisheries requirements concerning the Yakima River system. (Respectfully submitted by the Lower Valley Sportsmen's Club - Yakima Valley Sportsmen's Assn.)

No. 5 - WHEREAS it has been reported by Senator Warrent G. Magnuson that the House of Representatives has cut the funds allocated to operate the Fish & Wildlife hatcheries by \$863,000 over the nation. "If this cut is permitted to stand," Magnuson said, "The Quilcene hatchery cannot be operated at the level that is presently maintained."

WHEREAS at this time when many organizations are striving to rehabilitate and restore the Salmon runs and all possible means should be utilized, it is imperative that these funds be restored to the Fish and Wildlife Service of the Interior Department for the purpose of operating Fish and Wildlife Service hatcheries, particularly in the Pacific Northwest where such hatcheries are primary producers of Salmon.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Washington State Sportsmen's Council in convention assembled in Wenatchee, Washington, on the 5th day of June, 1954; that the Washington State Sportsmen's Council and its member clubs write to their respective United States Senators and Representatives that this matter be given due consideration and the funds be restored to the Fish and Wildlife Service for their hatchery programs. (Submitted by the Olympic Conservation Association, Port Townsend, Washington)

No. 6 - WHEREAS the Penny Cliffs and Bruces Eddy Dams as now proposed on the Clearwater River in Idaho would be highly destructive to the fish and wildlife resources of the region and particularly to one of the world's greatest elk herds,

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Washington State Sportsmen's Council in convention assembled at Wenatchee, Washington, on the 6th day of June, 1954, that we firmly oppose the construction of the Penny Cliffs and Bruces Eddy dams on the Clearwater river in Idaho;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to congressional delegations of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington, the Secretary of the Interior and the Corps of Engineers of the U. S. Army. (Submitted by the Board of Directors)

RESOLUTIONS WITHDRAWN BY SPONSORS

Resolution No. 2 by Vashon Sportsmen's Club relating to opening portions of Giffort Pinchot and Snoqualmie National Forests to bear hunting from second Sunday of April to second Sunday in May.

Resolution No. 3 by Rainbow Anglers Club of Vancouver relating to Commercial salmon fishing on the Columbia River.

Resolution No. 4 by Hood Canal Sportsmen's Assn. relating to sports salmon fishing licenses.

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Resolution No. 9 by Grays Harbor Poggie Club relating to killing of does and fawns west of the Cascade mountains.

Resolution No. 11 by McCleary Sportsmen's Club relating to opening all areas to bow hunting instead of certain designated areas.

RESOLUTIONS DEFEATED

Resolution No. 5 by Steelhead Trout Club of Washington relating to catch limit and season limit of Steelhead trout of winter run steelhead.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED BACK TO SPONSORS

Resolution No. 7 by Mt. Adams Game and Fish Assn., relating to bow and arrow season in Klickitat County.

Resolution No. 8 by Mt. Adams Fish and Game Assn. relating to licensing of dogs and dogs running domestic and game animals.

RESOLUTIONS TABLED

Resolution No. 1 by Vashon Sportsmen's Club relating to immediate action by Toll Bridge Authority to construct a system of cross sound bridges and highways.

Resolution No. 6 by Mt. Adams Fish and Game Assn. relating to doe hunting by permit at beginning of season and issuance of 800 permits.

AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS ADOPTED

Section 3, Article VII

Cooperative members may be admitted to the Council by the Board of Directors at a fee basis of \$5 per year, said membership being open to any person entitling holder thereof to certain insurance benefits and to attend all meetings, but without vote.