

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Held in Room 100G  
On Sunday, March 6, 1955, at 8:00 P.M.  
Shoreham Hotel  
Washington, D. C.

- I. ATTENDANCE:
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| A. C. Lundahl   | W. E. Harman, Jr. |
| W. S. Park  | C. E. Kowalczyk   |
| R. N. Colwell   | B. B. Lane, Jr.   |
| C. E. Palmer  | M. K. Linck       |
| T. W. Norcross  | J. T. Pennington  |
| R. E. Altenhofen  | A. O. Quinn       |
| L. Brundall   | O. S. Reading     |
| <span style="border: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></span> | E. D. Sewell      |
| L. Ray Smart  | F. E. Washer      |
|   | W. A. Radlinski   |

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II. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. in Room 100G Shoreham Hotel, on March 6th by President A. C. Lundahl. Minutes of the February 10th meeting were approved as read.

III. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. A letter was read from FOA expressing Mr. Stassen's regrets for not being able to speak before the ASP-ACSI Consecutive Meetings.
2. A letter was also read from Mr. G. G. Tschume expressing his regrets at having to resign from ASP.
3. Announcement of U.S. National Committee for the International Geophysical Year meeting at 3:00 P.M. on 10 March 1955 at the National Academy of Sciences and an invitation to ASP officers to attend.
4. Letter from Mr. Felix E. Wormser, Assistant Secretary for Mineral Resources, U.S. Department of Interior, accepting key speaker invitation.
5. D. C. Council of Engineering & Architectural Societies staged a very successful First Annual Engineers Day Program on 23 February 1955. President A. C. Lundahl and Secretary-Treasurer C. E. Palmer attended representing the Society.
6. New Photographic Survey Corporation sound movie, "Hands Across The Sky" telling the story of the Canadian Colombo Plan air survey contribution to assist Pakistan to be shown at Annual Meeting.
7. Annual Dinner of D. C. Section, American Society of Civil Engineers, to be held Tuesday, 8 March, at National Press Club, D. C.
8. Copy of ISP letter to Mr. Kaufman and Captain Reading regarding proposed Rules Governing the Award of the Brock Medal.
9. American Society for Metals to present unique program, "Civilization Through Tools" at 8:00 P.M. on 14 March at the National Bureau of Standards, East Lecture Room. Tickets free on request.

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10. Dedication of the Glenn L. Martin Institute of Technology at the University of Maryland at 10:00 A.M., 25 March 1955.
11. Meeting of Photogrammetry for Highway Specifications Committee to be called by Chairman, W. T. Pryor, during week of 7 March. He may be contacted at his office, JA 8-5600 or home, JE 3-1317.
12. An announcement from the Technical Liaison/Office of the Engineering, Research & Development Lab. at Ft. Belvoir indicated that the Research Lab. was making an effort to ferret out and take advantage of the "know how" of over 100 soldier-scientists in the enlisted mens corps of Army Engineers. A copy of this announcement is on file in the National Headquarters Office and has been sent to all the Local Sections, as well as the members of the Board.
13. A letter was also read from Mr. Sherman Fairchild acknowledging with high favor the honorary membership card which had been forwarded to him in the course of business at National Headquarters.

#### IV. CENTRAL COMMITTEES:

1. No Executive Committee meeting scheduled.
2. PUBLICATIONS: Mr. J. T. Pennington reported that the March issue was in galley proof form, was a little over-size but would have to be cut down. Also that the April issue would be behind schedule but that this was due to the new meeting date of the annual convention. Mr. Norcross reported that, with but one exception, all of the regular advertisers had signed up for 1955.

Mr. Norcross also indicated that there was a great deal of material and papers which had been presented at the meeting which he had not received to date but that it was imperative it be mailed to him as promptly as possible.

#### V. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

1. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP: Captain O. S. Reading reported that they had met and nominated P. G. McCurdy of the U.S. Navy Hydrographic Office to be named as the honorary member of the Society for the year 1954. President Lundahl asked for a second to the nomination which was made by Mr. Altenhofen. Mr. Norcross indicated that this was a secret ballot and that there was no need for a second.

Ballot slips were presented by the Secretary but before ballots were cast, President Lundahl asked for a discussion on other names which any of the members of the Board would like to bring up. L. Brundall asked if there was a list of honorary members and he was answered in the affirmative. Mr. Altenhofen asked how many vacancies existed and Captain Reading indicated that there were 13 members and 2 vacancies, that T. P. Pendleton had passed away during the year. President Lundahl confirmed Capt. Reading's statement that the Board was not constrained in any sense by the nominations of Captain Reading's committee. He then requested the members of the Board to cast their ballots, fold them

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and hand them to the Secretary and that, while the Secretary was counting the ballots, they would proceed to the next item of business.

#### IV. CENTRAL COMMITTEES:

4. ANNUAL MEETING: President Lundahl called upon [ ] who gave a very STAT interesting resume of the final activities of the Meetings Committee's preparation for the present convention and expressed his appreciation for the outstanding job which William Radlinski had done as deputy chairman, and L. Ray Smart, Exhibits Chairman, while he had been unfortunately confined to a hospital for major surgery.

He informed the Board that, from all indications, it appeared there would be a larger registration than either of the two Societies had ever had in their individual operation. Mr. Smart also gave a very interesting report of the Exhibits Committee with the assurance that the 58 booths which had been contracted for was a sell-out and that the results would show a very profitable figure on the credit side of the activities of the convention.

Mr. Kowalczyk gave a brief report on the finances but informed the Board that it would be probably a couple of months before all the details involved in the financial affairs of the Consecutive Meeting would be consummated.

Mr. Radlinski gave a short report on the technical activities of the meeting. He stated there were 51 speakers scheduled for the papers and panels section of the convention; that of the 51, 27 were Government, 13 commercial, 11 academic, 2 Canadian and 1 British. President Lundahl complimented Mr. Radlinski and the rest of his deputies and assistants for the excellent work which they had done on the entire program.

President Lundahl then briefly outlined the schedule for the ladies' phase of the program.

3. MEMBERSHIP: The Secretary informed the Board that he had very little to report as details embodied in his reports are to be included in all of the reports to be made at the forth-coming convention the next day by the respective chairmen. He announced that with the number of new applications which were received from October 1st to December 31st, the honorary and sustaining members, that the total would be in the neighborhood of 3059 members. Mr. Palmer brought to the attention of the Board the fact that it was at this time of the year when the delinquency was at its highest and at the present time there were 139 foreign, 82 Canadian, 98 students and 1014 in the U.S., with a total of 1333 delinquents as of March 1st.
5. LOCAL SECTIONS: President Lundahl asked Mr. Kowalczyk if he wished to report on the Local Section activities. He outlined in brief the program which is to be held Tuesday afternoon. The Chairman stated he believed the important question to come before the Local Section Meeting

was the problem of area jurisdiction. Mr. Brundall made a comment relative to future activities of Local Sections in that it was a "shot in the arm" when a photogrammetrist or someone from the Washington area or the Society was able to speak at one of their meetings and the desirability of setting up a clearing house or schedule of tours for officers or officials who expect to make either business trips or special trips in other areas.

Mr. Kowalczyk reported he had received a request or a petition for the establishment of a Local Section in Rochester, Pennsylvania. He informed the Board this was to be taken up at the Local Section meeting during the annual convention.

President Lundahl suggested that President-elect W. S. Park assist the Local Sections Chairman as much as possible in order to get their program underway. Mr. Park indicated he intended to make a scheduled trip to take in as many Local Sections meetings as possible between April and Thanksgiving.

President Lundahl also informed the Board that he intended to take some K335 stereo color pictures of the various booths which he would make available for the use of the Local Sections for their local programs.

6. SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING IN LOS ANGELES: President Lundahl informed the Board that, since the Board's acceptance of the invitation to hold the Semi-Annual meeting in Los Angeles September 7th, 8th, and 9th, a request had been received from Charles Vickery, President of the Southern California Section, relative to a series of questions involving the responsibility of the Local Sections versus National Headquarters in terms of operating costs, losses, programming, and other activities. Mr. Park stated he had answered Mr. Vickery to the effect that he would be glad to discuss these questions during the time Mr. Vickery would be attending the annual meeting; but, as Mr. Vickery was not to be present, Mr. Park would endeavor to work out the problems which Mr. Vickery had presented along the lines of the Semi-Annual meetings in Philadelphia and Rochester.

#### V. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

1. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP: (Cont.) President Lundahl then requested the Secretary to report on the ballots cast for the honorary membership candidates. Mr. Palmer announced 10 votes had been cast; 9 for McCurdy and 1 for Fitzgerald. Mr. Pennington promptly brought up a point of order indicating a ballot for honorary membership must be unanimous, so another ballot was taken. The question of further nominees was brought up but because the question before the Board was a vote of a single nomination, the ballot had to be cast for this nomination. Both Mr. W. M. Brown's and Mr. G. Fitzgerald's names had been presented as possible candidates, but, as Mr. McCurdy's name had been placed before the Board by Captain Reading, a second ballot was cast for Mr. McCurdy.

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2. PHOTO-INTERPRETATION: While these ballots were being cast, the President called upon Dr. R. N. Colwell for a brief report for the Photo-Interpretation manual. Dr. Colwell reported:
- (a) That work was continuing on the preparation of a Manual of Photo-Interpretation as a companion volume to our Manual of Photogrammetry.
  - (b) A day-long session for Photo-Interpretation is planned for Tuesday during the annual meeting.
  - (c) The sponsoring of one or two, day-long meetings on Photo-Interpretation in cooperation with the Western Forestry & Conservation Association and with the American Association for the Advancement of Science.
  - (d) Material is being gathered in connection with Commission VII, Photo-Interpretation for the next World Congress to be held in about 15 months.
4. RESEARCH: Dr. Colwell informed the Board that as far as his activities were concerned on the Research Committee as deputy chairman, they related only to Photo-Interpretation and that they would be fully covered at the Tuesday meeting referred to above. The portion on photogrammetry as related to research, he stated, was in the hands of Amron Katz and that he believed there would be very little to report beyond that which had already appeared in the September issue of the Journal.
1. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP (Cont.): President Lundahl asked the Secretary if the ballots for the honorary membership had been completed and Mr. Palmer reported 12 votes had been cast; two having been made later by the two members of the Board who had arrived at the meeting had convened and that all votes had been cast in favor of Mr. McCurdy, making it a unanimous ballot. Mr. J. P. McCurdy was accepted as the honorary membership appointee for the year 1954.

President Lundahl announced that there was still one open end to the equation. The name of somebody else had been entered on the first balloting, and by legitimate constitutional procedures - in view of the fact that we do have a capacity for another member - if it was the wish of the Board to consider another member at this time and if so, to pass another ballot around. President Lundahl intended to pass to the next item of business unless he got some discussion which indicated to him that the Board desired to take another ballot on the name or names. As there was no response, he concluded that apparently it was the Board's wish to suspend their operations with the name of Mr. McCurdy being unanimously accepted as an Honorary Member of the Society.

3. GEOGRAPHIC EXPLORATION COMMITTEE: President Lundahl announced he had received a large amount of material from Miss Louise Boyd, Chairman of the Geographic Exploration Committee, describing the scope of her activities and contacts with such people as Sir Edmond Hillary and the

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assault on Everest and her many trips to Greenland, Jan Mayen Island, up into the Arctic and almost to the Pole but, as she expected to make a short report at the Tuesday night business meeting, he would present her to the membership at that time.

5. TELLERS COMMITTEE: [ ] Chairman, with the assistance of Lester Doolittle and Harman Avera, had submitted a written report which was in the hands of the President but, because it was an inopportune time to present the results, the President held this report temporarily in abeyance. President Lundahl informed the Board he had also received reports of winners of the several awards, which included the Bausch & Lomb, Fairchild, Abrams, Jack Ammann and Ford Bartlett which were to be reported in detail at the Business and Awards Meeting, Tuesday night.

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Mr. Norcross informed the Chairman that the Board must, of necessity, act on the Talbert Abrams Award at this time. This presented an unusual problem because the winner of the Award happened to be a member of the Board, and the President asked Dr. Colwell if he would forgive the Board's constitutional prerogative and retire for a few minutes.

Following Dr. Colwell's departure, Mr. Park announced that both he and Mr. Pennington with Duncan MacDonald, had unanimously settled on Dr. Colwell's paper "A Systematic Analysis of Some Factors Affecting Photographic Interpretation". President Lundahl placed in nomination Dr. R. N. Colwell as winner of the Abrams Award by unanimous agreement of the three former winners who comprised the committee. This was seconded by Mr. A. O. Quinn and was unanimously approved. A short recess was taken at 9:30 P.M.

#### VI. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Upon reconvening, President Lundahl brought up under old business the issue referring to the California State Interim Committee on Licensing Business & Professions, to which organization the California State Senate has recently referred under Bill 1167, it's readings regarding photogrammetry and surveying, and the question of professional status therein. He also presented a letter from Dugold Gillies which related to this subject which had been received and is now on file in the National Headquarters Office for reference purposes. Copies of the bill which had been attached to the letter were passed around to the members of the Board for their review.

Dr. Colwell reported quite extensively on this issue as related to their area and that they had held four long meetings before his tenure of office as President of the Northern California Section, and finalized his remarks that, in this opinion, the Society should not take a stand on this issue one way or the other; that there were points in favor of both sides but as long as there was <sup>no</sup> unanimity of opinion, it seemed to him there was nothing to be gained by trying to make it a Society function at all. He stated he would like to go back to his group and tell them that the Society, in view of the diversity

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of opinion among its members, would prefer to take a "hands-off" attitude on this; but if this was not the wish of the group, he would like to know. Mr. Altenhofen then reminded the Board of a statement made as part of the activities of the Board of Directors in which it was agreed that the National Society's role should be limited to that of technical advisor in all matters pertaining to state licensing, Civil Service standards and codes of ethics. President Lundahl stated that until a subsequent or more accurate statement or report from the Professional Status Committee was received, made and accepted by the Board, R. Altenhofen's statement would stand until so modified.

Mr. A. O. Quinn reminded the Board of the organization of a committee which had been appointed to review for consideration the professional status problem with 3 members of the American Society of Civil Engineers, consisting of George Whitmore, Brother Austin Barry and himself, who are making a thorough investigation of this particular problem and which was so comprehensive that he could give no idea as to when they might make a report, let alone any recommendations.

2. INVITATION OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN SECTION TO HAVE ASP'S 1956 SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING IN DENVER, COLORADO: Laurence Brundall reviewed briefly the activities of the Rocky Mountain Section and the advantages of holding such a meeting in their City. President Lundahl indicated that as this was a program reaching into the rather distant future, it was not the prerogative of the incumbent Board to take action but that undoubtedly the new Board, under the direction of the incoming President, W.S. Park, would take it under due consideration. Mr. Park informed the Board he had already answered the invitation and had scheduled the subject on the agenda of one of the forthcoming Board meetings.

Mr. B. Lane indicated that the Board would undoubtedly also receive an invitation from the St. Louis Section.

3. INVESTIGATION OF:

- (a) Building and Loan Associations as Related to Investment Security: Mr. Gomer McNeil who had been assigned to prepare a report on Building Loan Associations and Investments submitted such a report based on time limitation, dividends, first trust mortgages, with-drawals, etc. The report made no attempt to offer any recommendations for either the Board or the Budget & Finance Committee to make any changes, modifications or additions to the present recommendation to invest \$500 per month until a total of \$5000 had been reached. The entire purpose of the report was to protect and confirm the security of the Society's investment and this report was referred to the Budget & Finance Committee.
- (b) Pension Plan: No report was made on the pension plan.

## VII. NEW BUSINESS:

1. President Lundahn referred to a letter from Mr. W. S. Higginson, Chairman of the Education Committee, D. C. Council of Engineering & Architectural Societies requesting names of local engineers to assist in various projects being sponsored by the D. C. Council. This item was turned over to Mr. Park for further consideration.
2. A request from the Sheraton-Park Hotel to hold our annual meeting at their new hotel, based on their remodeling and additional facilities was introduced but referred to the Chairman of the Meetings Committee for review and consideration.
3. G. E. Kowalczyk brought up the question of planning for the 1956 meeting in Stockholm. President Lundahl suggested that the subject be reviewed with Mr. Fred Doyle, Chairman of Foreign Affairs Committee, Mr. Park and possibly Mr. Aschenbrenner, with the idea of canvassing various agencies to ascertain who planned to attend the International Congress. He also suggested an announcement be placed in the Journal.
4. The Secretary-Treasurer announced that about a year ago he had instigated an inquiry with the proposed Air Force Academy in Denver, relative to their plans or provisions for photogrammetry in their course of training, and that in Friday's mail, he had received a bid with the manual included among 280 books for the new Air Force library.
5. Eldon Sewell brought up the question of a small attendance of local members at the annual convention, some who represent large corporations and that the interest of local members usually never went beyond the interest of superiors but that greater effort should be based on promoting the annual meeting among the higher group. Mr. Lundahl indicated he had, with the Program Committee, written several letters to top-ranking people where large groups were employed doing work on surveying, maps radarscope photography and related kinds of reconnaissance work to encourage them to permit as many people as possible to attend.
6. PHOTO-INTERPRETATION: Dr. R. N. Colwell called the attention of the Board to a point relative to the publication of the Manual of Photo-Interpretation. He reminded the Board they had authorized the present Photo-Interpretation Committee to proceed with this quite some time ago. On the basis of that authority <sup>only</sup> they have made certain decisions among the committee as to what the over-all length of the book should be, about how many photos should be included, about what it should sell for. He is now getting more specific inquiries from certain individuals as to whether they are the final authority as to what goes into their chapter, etc. and is wondering whether he has interpreted the latitude of the committee to too great an extent, if there is any desire for periodic review for what their decisions are to be brought before the Board of Directors or the Executive Board as a final review authority, or whether it is all right just to give a periodic report and if no one objects, to proceed from there. President Lundahl informed Dr. Colwell that it seems the latter procedure



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had been the acceptable one to the Board, at least during the past year.

Mr. C. E. Kowalezyk asked the President whether he had received any information on the publication of the International Archives. President Lundahl stated he had written to Mr. E. Massey and that just as soon as he could give us the date or the time the Argus people could publish them, he would inform the Board, and, also, in the form of an article, T. W. Norcross would make it known to the membership at large, but that he had not heard from Mr. Massey up to the present time.

President Lundahl, in his closing remarks before adjournment, said that it had been a pleasure on his part to work with the Board during the last 14 months. He really appreciated the support they had given him, the long hours spent together and the even longer hours which the Board members individually and collectively had spent away from the Board. It had been only as a result of these that the group as a team had made any accomplishments this year, some of which he intended to list point by point at the Business Meeting Tuesday night, and wished all who were going to carry on in the new year much success.

Mr. Park requested that after the meeting Tuesday night, the new directors and carry-overs meet to elect a new Executive Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P. M.



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U. E. Palmer,  
Secretary-Treasurer

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L. C. Lundahl  
President