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possible remain over for the Convention of the American Fisheries Society. We will have with us a great many of the leading fish culturists of the United States, including the Chiefs of Divisions from several of the States, and I am sure that the southern members especially will be interested in our work. I would also suggest that those of you who are interested should become members of the American Fisheries Society, either as individuals or as state members. At present we have fifteen state memberships out of forty-eight, but I hope they will ultimately all become members.

Mr. Titcomb: I merely wish to say that we have on hand a large number of the Minutes of Proceedings of our conferences held in previous years. This Society is the oldest one of its kind in the country, and it is practically the only medium through which you can keep in touch with the progress of fish cultural work from year to year. The papers and deliberations, therefore, are well worth having in your libraries. I feel that many of the commissioners are not sufficiently interested in the Society; they leave it to their fish culturists to attend the meetings, or perhaps are not represented at all. If you cannot join as a state, you can do what some of the commissions have done, namely, order a certain number of the Transactions and thus assist the Society, which is impecunious, merely having sufficient to maintain itself and publish its Transactions. If you do not want any of the past publications, you can put in your order now for the proceedings of the forthcoming meeting.

President LeCompte: I was authorized to appoint a committee in reference to Mr. Ringland's proposition of Coordination of Outdoor Recreation Associations, and so forth. I will name on that committee Mr. Carlos Avery, Chairman; Dr. A. H. Hadley, and Mr. J. S. Hunter.

I will call for the report of the Resolutions Committee.

Mr. Avery read the Resolutions as follows:

Your Committee begs leave to report the following declarations for your consideration:

Black Bass Law.

This Association welcomes and approves the so-called "Hawes Law" for the better protection of black bass which was passed at the last session of Congress as a valuable and meritorious measure, but desires to call attention to the fact that it is deficient in provisions for enforcement, and

It is therefore resolved by this organization that adequate provision should be made for its enforcement, and that the President of the Association be requested to appoint a committee to take such steps as may be necessary to bring the matter to the attention of Congress and carry out the intent of this resolution.

Group Organization Plan.

This Association realizes the merit of the so-called Group Organization Plan for coordination of all agencies interested in the conservation of wild animal life which was approved at the last convention and reaffirms that approval, but believes that it is outside its province to attempt to carry it out.