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tion of the fish. We want men with experience. We want men of action. We want men to see a thing that is necessary and do it when they see it. I thank you. (Applause.)

Dr. Hornaday: Mr. President, will you listen to a suggestion from a bystander?

The President, Mr. Alexander: Indeed we will, sir.

Dr. Hornaday: Mr. President, it seems to me that in view of all the circumstances, in view of the fact that this Association is now face to face with this constructive question, it would be a great pity for this meeting to adjourn without putting on record some expression of its sincere interest in conditions in Alaska respecting fish and game, and a desire that those conditions should be improved. It does seem to me that if Mr. Garfield and the committee of resolutions would retire for the space of about five minutes they could frame a resolution that would be perfectly satisfactory to this organization to adopt, and that would represent its general interest in the subject, its desire to be helpful, and it would mark the beginning of this great movement.

The President, Mr. Alexander: I thank you.

Mr. Woods: Mr. Chairman, I move this matter be referred as suggested by the gentlemen to the resolutions committee, as stated, and to report back immediately to this meeting.

Mr. Garfield: I second the motion.

The President, Mr. Alexander: All right.

Mr. Burnham: Mr. President, I offer a resolution and ask for its immediate consideration. (Reads following resolution:)

(Cession of Bird Reservation to United States)

8. Resolved, That the International Association of Game and Fish Commissioners, in view of the vital importance of preserving breeding and resting sanctuaries for wild fowl in western United States and in view of the existence within the states of Oregon and California of the Federal Bird Reservations of Klamath and Malheur Lakes, the most notable wild fowl resorts in western North America, urgently recommend that the states of Oregon and California at the next sessions of their legislatures, cede jurisdiction to the United States of such parts of these lakes and surrounding lands as are now held under the title, Federal Bird Reservation.

I move the adoption of this resolution.

(Whereupon the motion was duly put and unanimously carried.)

The President, Mr. Alexander: We will now have a report, while the resolutions committee is at work, from the auditing committee. The resolutions committee will please retire with Mr. Garfield and get the report back to us as quickly as possible. The chairman of the auditing committee, Mr. Cobb, will make his report.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

By Mr. E. W. Cobb, of Minnesota, Chairman.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:

We, your auditing committee, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have examined the books of the treasurer and from them we find that during the year 1917-1918 he has collected \$786.23, and has paid out \$662.65, leaving a balance of \$123.58, as shown by his report.

Respectfully submitted,

**EBEN W. COBB,
W. D. HOUSER,
J. G. JOHNSON.**

Adopted.