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mind the fact that this is an international organization and there were various suggestions or proposed resolutions that applied to conditions obtaining only in one of the two countries and might interfere with the point of view of the people in the other country. The resolutions which we present to you are four in number, and read as follows:

Whereas forest acres may very properly and should be productive of wild life as a primary forest product;

Whereas to obtain adequate production of wildlife from forest lands necessitates adjustments in forest management practices;

Therefore be it resolved, That the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners at its annual convention at Montreal, Quebec, on September 11, 1934, urges the establishment of land policies which will co-ordinate forest and wildlife production because this co-ordinated use affords greater public returns than would either of the two uses taken separately.

Whereas the development of sound land-use policies now necessitates the removal from agricultural production of low-value lands;

Whereas the highest use of such lands in the public interest is in wildlife production and soil, water and forest conservation;

Therefore be it resolved, That the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners at its annual convention at Montreal, Quebec, on September 11, 1934, urges the fullest consideration in the development of land policies and the use of low-value, technically called submarginal lands, for such public purposes as wildlife production and soil, water and forest conservation, and their removal from agricultural production. And that areas unwisely drained be restored for the purpose of waterfowl and water conservation, and that obviously further drainage of such lands be abandoned.

Resolved that the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners send its salutations and expressions of good will to Mr. W. F. Scott, who while State Game Warden of Montana founded, in 1902, this Association, and who was three times in succession chosen as its president.

Resolved, That the International Association of Game, Fish and Conservation Commissioners, assembled in annual convention in Montreal, Quebec, Canada, deeply appreciate the courtesies extended to us by the Hon. J. N. Francoeur, Minister of Public Works, Game and Fisheries of the province of Quebec; by the province of Quebec Association for the Protection of Fish and Game; by the Honorable T. G. Murphy, Minister of the Interior; and by the city of Montreal and the officials of their organizations.

Be it further resolved, That the hearty thanks of the Association be extended to the Canadian Radio Commission and to the National Broadcasting Company for their cooperation in making widespread radio facilities available.

The Chairman: What is your pleasure with regard to the report of the Resolutions Committee?

Mr. Quinn: I move the adoption of the resolutions as read.

The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

The Chairman: We will hear from the Auditing Committee.