MINUTES OF THE 1933 BUSINESS MEETING OF THE SOILS SECTION

The first regular meeting of the Soils Section of the American Society of Agronomy was called to order at 1:45 P.M., November 16, 1933, in the Stevens Hotel, Chicago, Ill., by Chairman Richard Bradfield.

No unfinished or new business was presented and the Section proceeded to the election of officers. The Nominating Committee placed Professor C. F. Shaw in nomination for Chairman and Dr. W. A. Albrecht for Secretary. There were no nominations from the floor, and Professor Shaw and Dr. Albrecht were elected without dissenting votes. The meeting was then adjourned.

C. E. MILLAR, Secretary

MEETING OF AMERICAN MEMBERS OF INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF SOIL SCIENCE

Immediately upon adjournment of the Soils Section of the American Society of Agronomy on November 16, 1933, in the Stevens Hotel in Chicago, Ill., a meeting of the American members of the International Society of Soil Science was called, with Dr. A. G. McCall presiding as American representative of the Society.

Dr. McCall raised the question of payment of dues to the Secretary, Dr. Hissink. It has been the custom for American members to forward their checks for dues to Dr. McCall, who in turn forwarded the money to the International Secretary. The constitution states that dues paid to Dr. Hissink shall be equivalent to 10 Dutch gilders. Inasmuch as the rate of exchange is now in favor of the Dutch gilders, it requires considerably more than $4 to cover the dues, and the amount needed is more or less fluctuating. Under the circumstances, Dr. McCall proposed that he return checks now in his hands to those who had forwarded them to him and that each member pay Dr. Hissink directly through a postal money order equivalent to 10 gilders. A motion to this effect was made by Dr. Kellogg and was carried.

Dr. Bradfield discussed the relation of the Soils Section of the American Society of Agronomy and of the American Association of Soil Survey Workers to the International Society of Soil Scientists. In order to determine what group of soils workers in America shall constitute the American Section of the International Society of Soil Science, Dr. Bradfield moved that a committee consisting of the Chairman and Secretary of the Soils Section of the American Society of Agronomy, the President and Secretary of the American Soil Survey Association, and the Past-President (Dr. J. G. Lipman) and the American Secretary of the International Society of Soil Science be requested to examine critically the Constitution and By-Laws of the Soils Section of the American Society of Agronomy and recommend such changes as seem desirable in order to provide as follows:

1. For a single association of soil scientists, organized on a sectional basis similar to the International Society of Soil Science which shall function as the American Section of the International Society of Soil Science.