

### CHICAGO SECTION

The organization meeting of the Chicago Section of the Society was held May 31, 1930, at the City Club. Mr. O. B. DePue and Mr. O. F. Spahr were elected governors. Mr. J. A. Dubary, Mr. Fred Kranz, and Mr. E. S. Pearsall, Jr., were elected to serve on the Papers and Program Committee. Mr. B. W. Depue was appointed as a Publicity Committee of one.

Boundaries of the Section were proposed as follows: The eastern boundary shall be a north and south line through a point 50 miles west of Cleveland; the western boundary shall be a north and south line running through a point 50 miles west of Denver; the north and south boundaries shall be those of the United States.

A motion was passed that a dinner meeting be held once a month in a place to be selected by the governors, and that the meeting of any month might be cancelled by the governors at their discretion.

### LONDON SECTION

April, 1930

Sir Oliver Lodge, making his first appearance at a cinematograph trade function, was guest of honor at the first annual dinner of the London Section. A program of films, starting with the first Lumière film shown upon its original instrument by Matt Raymond, its original projectionist, and ending with a showing of present day talkies with equipment installed by Western Electric, followed the dinner.

The last general members' meeting of the session was held at the headquarters of the Royal Photographic Society on April 14th, when Mr. N. Fleming of the National Physical Laboratory read a paper on the "Acoustics of Buildings."

### NEW YORK SECTION

A meeting of the section was held in the Engineering Societies Building, April 16, 1930.

Papers were presented by Mr. Hall of the *New York Times* on "The Critic's Viewpoint on Talking Pictures," by Mr. Mendoza on his experiences in orchestra direction before the microphone, and by Mr. Cook on "The Aperture Effect." A schedule of eight meetings per year has been adopted by the section.

A meeting is scheduled for June 12, 1930, at the Engineering Societies Building. At this meeting Mr. Townsend will present the report of the Projection Committee and Messrs. Lette and Wolf will present a paper on "Factors Governing Size of Sound Reproducing Equipment in Theaters."

### PACIFIC COAST SECTION

The third meeting of the season was held on one of the sound stages of the Metropolitan Sound Studios, Inc. An open discussion of the type of programs desired by the Section and of regular *vs.* irregular meeting times was held. It was decided to continue the present policy of flexible meeting dates.

Mr. Richardson was elected as delegate to the spring convention in Washington. Mr. George Mitchell was selected to represent the Section in discussions of wide film problems at the convention.

Results obtained with the Douglass wide film panorama lens were demonstrated by projecting pictures from standard 35 mm. film.

Recent Multicolor films were shown by Mr. Harry Fisher.

### SOCIETY NOTES

At the meeting of the Board of Governors held at the Engineering Societies Building, New York, N. Y., Tuesday, June 3rd, a large number of business matters were transacted including the following:

1. A committee was appointed to draw up a report for circulation to the sections of the Society, explaining in detail what expenditures are justifiable, and also to consider the desirable geographical boundaries of the various sections in the United States. The Board was in doubt as to whether the boundaries of the various sections should be limited to an area within a definite radius from the section's headquarters or whether the three sections, namely, New York, Chicago, and the Pacific Coast should include the entire United States.

2. The Board having satisfied itself that the financial situation of the Society justifies the appointment of an editor-manager, a motion was made and passed as follows: "A person of high caliber shall be secured to edit and publish the JOURNAL from a central office and also to transact the routine business of the Society, this individual to be supplied with qualified editorial and clerical assistants."