

Society Announcements

CHICAGO CONVENTION, OCTOBER 16-18, 1933

The semi-annual Convention of the Society was held at Chicago, Ill., October 16-18, with headquarters at the Edgewater Beach Hotel. The success of the meeting was due in large measure to the efforts of Mr. W. C. Kunzmann, chairman of the Convention Arrangements Committee; Mr. O. M. Glunt, chairman of the Papers Committee, and his associates; and to the following individuals and firms:

Mr. H. Griffin, of the International Projector Corp., for providing and installing the projection equipment; Electrical Research Products, Inc., for supplying the sound reproducing equipment; the Bausch & Lomb Optical Co., for supplying the projection lenses and the balopticon; the Strong Electric Co., for the rectifiers; Mr. J. E. MacAuley, for the Peerless projection lamp; National Theater Supply Co., for the projection booth, reels, rewinds, *etc.*, and the Day Light Screen Co., for the projection screen. Thanks are also due to the Chicago Film Board of Trade; to Messrs. S. A. Lukes and T. Maloy, of Local No. 110, of Chicago; to Mr. J. H. Goldberg; to Messrs. W. Immerman and L. Lipstone, of Balaban & Katz, for providing the banquet entertainment and engaging the orchestra; and to Mr. B. Pearlman, of the National Theater Supply Co. Mr. and Mrs. H. DeVry very kindly entertained the ladies visiting the Convention on a cruise on their yacht, viewing the Chicago beach and the World's Fair from the lake. Films for projection on Monday and Tuesday evenings were provided through the courtesy of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Corp., Paramount Publix Corp., RKO Pictures, Inc., United Artists, Fox Film Co., and Mr. H. T. Cowling.

At the luncheon that opened the Convention on Monday, October 16, addresses were delivered by Mr. C. F. Strodel, executive officer of Balaban & Katz; Mr. Donald P. Bean, of the University of Chicago; Dr. Allen D. Albert, of the Century of Progress Exposition; and Mr. W. H. Strafford, of Chicago.

PROGRAM

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

The morning was devoted to the organization of the Convention, registration, meetings of Committees, *etc.*

12:30 p.m. Luncheon (for members, their families, and friends.)

Speakers: Mr. C. F. Strodel, Executive Officer, Balaban & Katz; Mr. Donald P. Bean, University of Chicago; Dr. Allen D. Albert, Century of Progress Exposition; Mr. W. H. Strafford, of Chicago.

2:30 p.m. *East Lounge.* Business Session.

Opening of Convention, A. N. Goldsmith, *President.*

Report of the Secretary, J. H. Kurlander.

Report of the Treasurer, H. T. Cowling.

Report of the Convention Arrangements Committee, W. C. Kunzmann, *Chairman*.

Society Business: election of officers for 1933-34; proposals for amendment of the Constitution and By-Laws.

Report of the Membership and Subscription Committee, E. R. Geib, *Chairman*.

"A Brief History of the Kinetograph, the Kinetoscope, and the Kinetophone-graph," by W. K. L. Dickson, La Haule, Jersey, Channel Islands, England.

"The Control Frequency Principle," by J. E. Jenkins, Jenkins & Adair, Chicago, Ill.

8:00 p.m. *East Lounge*. Exhibition of recent motion pictures, including pictures of the Century of Progress Fair, taken by Mr. H. T. Cowling.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

9:30 a.m. *East Lounge*. **Wide Range Session**, Dr. A. N. Goldsmith presiding.

"Wide Range Recording," by F. L. Hopper, Electrical Research Products, Inc., Hollywood, Calif.

"Acoustic Requirements for Wide Range Reproduction," by S. K. Wolf, Electrical Research Products, Inc., New York, N. Y.

"Wide Range Sound Reproduction," by F. C. Willis, Electrical Research Products, Inc., New York, N. Y.

Report of the Historical and Museum Committee, E. Theisen, *Chairman*.

Report of the Committee on Laboratory and Exchange Practice, R. F. Nicholson, *Chairman*.

"Some Practical Applications of Acoustics in Theaters," by G. W. Baker and M. A. Smith, U. S. Gypsum Co., Chicago, Ill.

2:00 p.m. *East Lounge*. **Photographic Session**, Mr. J. I. Crabtree presiding.

"Recent Improvements in the Bell & Howell Automatic Printer," by R. F. Mitchell and A. S. Howell, Bell & Howell Co., Chicago, Ill.

"Effect of Film Shrinkage on Sound Film Printing," by J. Crabtree, Bell Telephone Laboratories, Inc., New York, N. Y.

"Film Noise in Sound-on-Film Reproduction," by H. C. Silent, Electrical Research Products, Inc., Hollywood, Calif.

"Further Investigation of Ground Noise in Photographic Sound Records," by O. Sandvik, Eastman Kodak Co., Rochester, N. Y.

"Color Photography for Industrial and Business Films," by R. H. Ray and H. W. Cress, Ray-Bell Films, Inc., St. Paul, Minn.

"Automatic Change-Over Device," by A. Pritchard, Coronado, Calif.

7:30 p.m. *Ball Room*. **Convention Banquet**.

Dancing, motion pictures, and entertainment.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

9:30 a.m. *East Lounge*. **General Session**, Mr. R. F. Mitchell presiding.

"The Use of Talking Pictures as an Additional Tool at the University of Chicago," by H. B. Lemon, University of Chicago.

"Sixteen-Millimeter Film and Film Recording Problems," by J. O. Baker, RCA Victor Co., Camden, N. J.

"Sprocket Dimensions for Visual and Sound Projection Equipment," by H. Griffin, International Projector Corp., New York, N. Y.

Report of the Committee on Standards and Nomenclature, M. C. Batsel, *Chairman*.

Report of the Projection Practice Committee, H. Rubin, *Chairman*.

"A New 35-Mm. Portable Projector," by H. Griffin, International Projector Corp., New York, N. Y.

"The New DeVry Sound Recording Camera," by H. DeVry, Chicago, Ill.

2:00 p.m. *East Lounge*. General Session, Mr. R. E. Farnham presiding.

"Manufacturing Problems Involved in the Production of Sound Picture Equipment," by H. E. DeCamp, Western Electric Co., Chicago, Ill.

"The Rotambulator—a New Type of Camera Stand," by J. A. Dubray, Bell & Howell Co., Los Angeles, Calif.

"Economics of Advertising Projector Lamps," by E. W. Beggs, Westinghouse Lamp Co., Bloomfield, N. J.

"A Non-Rotating D-C. High-Intensity Arc," by D. B. Joy and A. C. Downes, National Carbon Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

"A New Type of Carbon Arc Broadside Lamp for Use in Motion Picture Production," by P. Mole, Mole-Richardson, Inc., Hollywood, Calif.

"A New Carbon for Use in Photography," by A. C. Downes, National Carbon Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE CONVENTION

Note: The Society of Motion Picture Engineers will not be responsible for statements made by authors.

Convention Committee,
W. C. KUNZMANN, *Chairman*.

Papers Committee,
O. M. GLUNT, *Chairman*

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

At a meeting held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel at Chicago, October 15, amendments were formulated for presentation to the Society on the following day, for effecting a general revision of the administrative policies of the Society. These included changes in dues, admission fees, subscription fees, and the appointment of five vice-presidents whose work it would be to maintain a close supervision over the various phases of the Society's activities, to coördinate the work of the various committees, and thus, in the interests of economy, to relieve the General Office of a considerable part of its labors. The proposals include also the plan to establish three grades of membership, to take the place of the two now in force. The three grades would be known as Fellow, Active, and Associate.

The amendments were voted upon by the general Society on Monday, October 16; the proposed amendments of the By-Laws being approved contingent upon the subsequent approval, by letter ballot, of the proposed amendments of

the Constitution. Complete drafts of the proposals and the discussion held on them at the meeting, will be mailed to all Active members in the near future, together with a letter ballot form for voting upon them.

ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS

The returns of the letter ballots cast recently by the Active membership, counted at the Chicago Convention, indicated the following results:

A. N. GOLDSMITH, *President.*
O. M. GLUNT, *Junior Vice-President.*
J. H. KURLANDER, *Secretary.*
T. E. SHEA, *Treasurer.*
H. GRIFFIN, *Governor.*
W. B. RAYTON, *Governor.*

The remainder of the officers and Board of Governors are as listed on the reverse of the Contents page of this issue of the JOURNAL. In addition, the Board of Governors elected Mr. H. T. Cowling to serve as governor in the place of Mr. W. C. Hubbard, recently deceased, for the remainder of his term.