

## **SOCIETY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

The regular January meeting of the Board of Governors was held at the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York, N. Y., on January 14th. New members present at the meeting were E. A. Williford, Financial Vice-President, and R. E. Farnham, Governor. (A complete list of members of the Board of Governors will be found on the reverse of the Contents page of this issue.)

Messrs. W. C. Kunzmann and J. I. Crabtree reported on preliminary plans for the Washington Convention, to be held April 25th-28th, inclusive, at the Wardman Park Hotel. Some details of the Convention are given in the preceding section of this issue of the JOURNAL, and a complete program will be mailed to the membership in the near future. Detroit was selected for the Fall, 1938, Convention.

Mr. O. M. Glunt, retiring Financial Vice-President, reported very satisfactory fiscal conditions for the year 1937, and in presenting the budget for 1938, Mr. E. A. Williford, Financial Vice-President elect, prognosticated an equally successful year for 1938. The membership is continuing to grow, having reached an all-time high of nearly 1300 members.

The remainder of the Board meeting was concerned mainly with routine matters. The next meeting will be held at Washington, D. C., April 24th, the day preceding the opening of the Spring Convention.

### **MID-WEST SECTION**

On January 18th, the Mid-West Section held its regular monthly meeting in the Engineering Building, Chicago, Ill., at which time Mr. A. F. Conto, formerly Chief Engineer of the Western Television Corp., presented a paper on the subject of "Trends in Television." The program was long and interesting, and the meeting was very well attended. The next meeting of the Section will be held on Tuesday, February 15th.

### **STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

At a meeting held at the Office of the Society on January 7th, the work of reviewing the present standards of the Society was completed. The material is being set in type and proofs are being mailed to all the members of the Standards Committee, together with ballots for voting upon adoption of the revision.

The revision is based upon the previous edition of the Standards, published in November, 1934, and contains all the changes and additions that have evolved in the interim as a result of developments in the motion picture art. A few new drawings have been added in the 35-mm. and 16-mm. categories, as also a complete set of 8-mm. drawings. Quite a number of tolerances have been added that were lacking in the previous edition.

It is hoped that the voting upon the revision by the Standards Committee will be completed in time to publish the entire body of standards in the March issue of the JOURNAL, at which time comments from the membership of the Society will be solicited. If no objections arise, the Board of Governors will take action at their next meeting (April 24th) on adopting them as SMPE standards, after which they will be submitted to the Sectional Committee on Motion Pictures (ASA) for approval by the American Standards Association. Although a number of these standards have already been approved by the ASA, the complete body of standards will be re-submitted in view of the new plan of numbering and the single-sheet format.

#### **PROJECTION PRACTICE COMMITTEE**

At a meeting held at the Paramount Building, New York, N. Y., on January 20th, an agenda was established for the new year, and work continued on matters left unfinished from the previous year. Analysis of the theater survey charts is progressing, and it is anticipated that a report on the subject will be forthcoming at the approaching Washington Convention.