

SOCIETY ANNOUNCEMENTS

AMENDMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS

At the meeting of the Board of Governors held on July 13th, a new By-Law consisting of three sections pertaining to the appointment and terms of committees, and a new form of By-Law VI, relating to elections, were proposed and approved. These were published in the September, 1939, issue of the JOURNAL on pages 347 to 349.

The new proposed By-Law and the amended By-Law VI were submitted to the Society in meeting on October 16th, the first day of the 1939 Fall Convention, were approved as published, and are therefore now in effect

At the meeting of the Board of Governors held on October 15th, proposed new paragraphs *c* and *d* of Section 3 of By-Law I, relating to "Membership" were approved as follows:

(c) Applicants for Active Membership shall give as reference at least three members of Active or of higher grade in good standing. Applicants shall be elected to membership by the unanimous approval of the entire membership of the appropriate Admissions Committee. In the event of a single dissenting vote or failure of any member of the Admissions Committee to vote, the application shall be referred to the Board of Governors in which case approval of at least three-fourths of the Board of Governors shall be required.*

(d) Applicants for Associate membership shall give as reference at least one member of higher grade in good standing. Applicants shall be elected to membership by approval of a majority of the proper Admissions Committee."

In addition, new Sections 4 and 5 were proposed for the new By-Law on "Committees" (Sections 1, 2, and 3 of which have already been approved as described above). The newly proposed Sections 4 and 5 are as follows:

Sec. 4.—Standing committees of the Society shall be as follows, to be appointed as designated:

(a) Appointed by the President and confirmed by the Board of Governors:

Progress Award Committee

Honorary Membership Committee

Journal Award Committee

*Admission Committees**

(Atlantic Coast and Midwest Sections)

(Pacific Coast Section)

European Advisory Committee

* See proposed Sec. 5 *infra*.

(b) *Appointed by the Engineering Vice-President:*

Sound Committee
Standards Committee
Studio Lighting Committee
Color Committee
Theater Engineering Committee
Exchange Practice Committee
Non-Theatrical Equipment Committee

(c) *Appointed by the Editorial Vice-President:*

Board of Editors
Papers Committee
Progress Committee
Historical Committee
Museum Committee

(d) *Appointed by Convention Vice-President:*

Publicity Committee
Convention Arrangements Committee
Apparatus Exhibit Committee

(e) *Appointed by Financial Vice-President:*

Membership and Subscription Committee

Sec. 5.—Two Admissions Committees, one for the Atlantic Coast and Midwest Sections, and one for the Pacific Coast Section, shall be appointed. The former Committee shall consist of a Chairman and six Fellow or Active members of the Society of which four shall be members of the Board of Governors. The latter Committee shall consist of a Chairman and four Fellow or Active members of the Society including all officers or members of the Board of Governors of the Society residing in the Pacific Coast Section."

All the amendments given above were approved by the Society in meeting on October 16th, the first day of the 1939 Fall Convention.

46th SEMI-ANNUAL CONVENTION

CHALFONTE-HADDEN HALL, ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., APRIL 22nd TO 25th, INCL.

At the meeting of the Board of Governors, held at New York on October 15th, Atlantic City was selected as the site of the 46th Semi-Annual Convention of the Society, to be held April 22nd to 25th, inclusive. Tentative arrangements are being prepared by W. C. Kunzmann, *Convention Vice-President*; and the Papers Committee, under the direction of J. I. Crabtree, *Editorial Vice-President*, and S. Harris, *Chairman* of the Committee, will begin its work of preparing the papers program shortly.

Members are urged to keep the dates of the Convention in mind, and those who contemplate preparing papers for the meeting are requested to communicate with the office of the Society as early as possible.