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SAGELANDS VISITED BY RESOURCE SAGES

Forty-two members and guests of the Idaho Chapter of the Wildlife Society attended the second annual summer field meeting, held at Dubois, Idaho last August 20, 1965.

Following introductions Superintendent Henry Wright gave a description and summary of work being done at the U. S. Sheep Experiment Station. Hugh Harper, served as vice president and master of ceremonies for the trip. Don Klebenow discussed his Ph. D. research on the sage grouse of the Experiment Station.

In a car-truck caravan, the group visited the several grouse trapping and observation sites. After a description of the history of the area and its use, Biologist Duane Pyrah discussed his research and that of Master's degree student Gene Gray. Management practices and problems on the area were narrated by representatives of the BLM.

After a sack lunch, Dr. Edson Fichter of Idaho State University told of his studies of antelope behavior.

Time, some rain, and threatening skies blocked the trip to mountain mahogany rehabilitation areas but Darrell Fluckiger, USFS, described the site and management practices while the group observed the site from a distance. The caravan broke up at 5:30 p.m. Some statements of "successful" were heard by participants who represented the BLM, Idaho Fish and Game, University of Idaho, Idaho State University, U. S. Soil Conservation Service, U. S. Forest Service, Utah State University, and the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife (Olympia, Washington).

ELECTIONS AND MEMBERSHIP

A nominating committee has been appointed of the following members:

Elwood Bizeau, Chairman Vern Sylvester Don Klebenow

On the ballot, there will be a place to suggest to your new officers how you react to having the next Chapter meeting in conjunction with the Idaho Academy of Science meeting to be held in Moscow on April 29-30, 1966.

Radio Telemetry as Field Meeting Double Feature

On Saturday morning, August 21, 1965 an informal wildlife radiotelemetry field session was held. Fourteen people participated.

Late Friday evening a "bring-and-brag" round table discussion, equipment comparison, and slide talk was held as prelude to the field work.

Phil Schladweiler demonstrated how the Markusen radio is prepared for placing on a bird and also demonstrated the receiving unit.

Paul Martin, Paul Hegdal, and Rex VanWarner demonstrated the simplicity of the radio they make and use on mammals. A jackrabbit was radio-equipped, released, and relocated by the D-ll receiver they use in the field.

Send me a buck for your: "Make Your Technical Writing Useful" by Werner Nagel. This Wildlife Society publication should at least be in every district office library.

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Treasurer's Report 1965-65

Total Income

\$41.00

\$33.50

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Balance on hand

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Robert H. Giles, Jr. Treasurer

Mailings of newsletters etc, have been a service of the Idaho Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit and the College of Forestry, Wildlife and Range Sciences.

Special Meeting - Idaho Chapter - The Wildlife Society

Professor Ralph T. King of Syracuse University, is making a visiting Scientist appearance at the University of Idaho. He will be making a number of appearances on November 18, 19, and 22.

One lecture is sponsored by the Idaho Chapter. Professor King's topic is "Denmark's Land Use and Wildlife Management". This lecture is scheduled for Friday, November 19 at 4:00 p.m. in Room 335, Forestry Building.

Regional Representative Report

At the Denver Meeting of the Wildlife Society Council in August, action was taken on the regional boundary revisions. In Idaho and in the Northwest Section we have long worked for these changes and will have an opportunity to vote for these changes on the Society ballot this fall. Changes are described in the current Wildlife Society news, but briefly they include Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Montana and Alaska in one region with Alberta and British Columbia to be added in several years. Let's all support this change.

> Ken Hungerford Region VI Representative