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**MINUTES ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 6, 1933**

The Annual Meeting of the Korea Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society was held in the Social Room of the Seoul Union, Tuesday, June 6, 1933.

President Dr. H. H. Underwood took the chair and opened the meeting at 4 :15.

The President read his report covering the year’s activities of the Society. (See report).

Rev. N C. Whittemore, Librarian, read his report covering the work of his department (See report).

On motion the Librarian’s request for ¥ 150.00 for buying books in European Languages was granted.

On motion the Librarian’s report was accepted with the thanks of this body.

The Treasurer, Mr. Hugh Miller, rendered his report for the current yean (See report).

It was moved and seconded that the report be accepted with thanks. Carried.

The President asked for nominations for membership and the following names were presented :

Colonel Barr Dr. Kim To Yun

Miss Barbara Koons Rev. L. T. V. Soul Mr. Frank Kim

On motion the persons recommended were elected to Membership in the Society.

Dr. A. I. Ludlow read the report of the Nominating Committee, which was as follows :

President .............................. Rev. E. W. Koons, D. D.,

Vice-President ...................... Rev. C. Hunt,

Secretary ............................... J. Earnest Fisher, Ph. D.,

Treasurer ............................... Mr. Thomas Hobbs,

Cor. Secretary ....................... Rev. W. M. Clark, DD.

Librarian ............................... Rev. Norman C. Whittemore [page 127]

**Councillors :**

Miss Alice R. Appenzeller

Hugh Miller, Esq.

W. Massy Royds, Esq.

Moved and seconded that the Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the officers as recommended by the Committee.

Moved that article IX of the By—Laws be changed to read as follows

“There shall be a standing Committee called the Publication Committee composed of the editor of the Transactions, Corresponding Secretary, and the Treasurer. It shall be ordinarily presided over by the editor.”

The newly elected President, Dr. E. W. Koons, took the chair and Dr. H. H. Underwood read his paper on the History of Korean Ships and Naval Affairs.

Dr. Koons expressed the thanks of the Society to Dr. Underwood for his excellent paper.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15

H. H. Underwood.

President,

 J. Earnest Fisher,

Secretary. [page 128]

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT TO ANNUAL MEETING OF THE KOREA BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY**

June 6th 1933

It is the duty and pleasure of the President of this Society to make a report to the annual meeting, though the greater part of the work is done by the other officers, and members of Council.

Since the last annual meeting two open meetings have been held, at one of which Dr. L. G. Paik read his interesting and valuable paper on the ancient Chinese colony of Nak Ryang and at the second of which I had the honor of reading the first part of a paper on Korean Ships. The Council has met to discuss the affairs of the Society and to more fully promote its various activities.

Vol XXI of our Transactions was placed in your hands not long after last year’s meeting and Vol. XXII is now in the press and will soon be distributed to you. This volume contains Mr. Cumming’s valuable paper on “Korean Birds” and Mr.Oh’s interesting account of the “Life of Mr. Thomas.” The technical nature of the first part of the volume has made the task of seeing it through the press a difficult one and we are indebted to Mr. Whittemore and the publication Committee and also, I believe, to Miss Winifred Davidson for many hours of painstaking labor on it.

We are still in the fortunate state of having more papers prepared than we have been able to print and the following are still awaiting publication:

Korean Arms and Armor I & II Dr. 3. L. Boots

Korean Nursery Rhymes Miss O. Swallen

Nak Ryang Dr. L G. Paik

Korean Ships HL IL Underwood

The number of papers in process of preparation is not so large and it is to be hoped that a number of members will undertake studies along some of the many lines which [page 129] lie open and untouched so that the activity, stimulated by Bishop Trollope in the years of his presidency, may not come to an end. Just at present I know of only three papers either prepared or in preparation. Mr. Bruce Hunt is still working on the “Manufacture and Use of Korean Paper” but is unable to give us any definite date when we may hope to hear the results of his studies. Dr. Crane has promised to attempt the difficult task of unearthing something on the history of the Dutch sailors who were left in Korea when Hamel escaped. Mrs. Royds, at the request of the Council has translated into English the Introduction to M. Courant’s “Bibliographic Coreenne” which I hope will be read before the Society and published.

As the preparation of a paper takes considerable time I cannot too strongly urge upon the Society the necessity of beginning at once a number of studies so that the continuity of our activity may not be interrupted again as it has been at one or two periods in our history.

The bare facts of the Treasurer’s and Librarian’s reports will speak for themselves but I feel sure that you will remember and appreciate the work of our secretaries, corresponding and recording and of the councillors all of whom have given generously of time, energy and advice for the Society.

For myself I can only express very inadequately my deep appreciation of the honor of serving as President for the past two and a half years and of the hearty co-operation of the Council and all the members of the Society.

Respectfully Submitted,

H. H. UNDERWOOD [page 130]

**TREASURER’S REPORT Cash Statement 1932―1933**

RECEIPTS:

Dues ....................................................................... ¥ 607.69

Cash Sales ........................................................... 344.43

Interest :

Fixed Deposit 87.47

Current a/c 4.22 .91.69

Refund on Library a/c 1.25

Total 1,045.06

Balance brought forward from last a/c : -

Reserve a/c … 1,200.00

Fixed Deposit ................................. 305.87

Current a/c 648.44 2,154.31

 3,199.37

EXPENDITURES :

Printing 500 copies Transaction (Vol. No. XXI) ¥ 379.30

Library:

Books Purchased 222.29

Korea Mission Field file 44.46

Rebinding 4 copies Transactions 4.80

1 Book Case made 45.00 316.55

Plate for Mr. Cumming’s paper & telegram 3.35

Printing Post Cards for Notice of Meeting 8.42

Stationery, 10 Pads Blanks for Statements 4.00

Sundries:

Fee for Secretarial Service ................... 10,00

,, for Clerical Work for

Treasurer .................................. 10.00

Postage for Treasurer’s a/c ............... 6.76

Picture Frame .................................. 1.20 27.96

Total 739.58

Balance on hand :

Reserve a/c ........................................ 1,200.00

Fixed Deposit........................................ 793.34

Current a/c .................................. 466.45 2,459.79

 3,199.37

Audited and found correct June 5th, 1933. GERALD BONWICK [page 131]

**LIBRARIAN’S REPORT**

Lack of time has prevented my carrying out many of the things for our Library that I would like to have done. However, something has been accomplished.

1. An additional bookcase deep enough to hold the large albums that we have been purchasing has been installed in the C. L. S. Board Room.

2. A picture of our first president, the late Hon. H. N. Allen, which was presented by Miss Wambold, has been framed and placed in the Library.

**Accessions.**

“Grass Roof” Yung Hil Kang Gift

“The Passing of Korea” H. B. Hulbert

“Prince Yee Museum Album”

“Journeys in North Manchuria” 2 vols.

 Rev. A. Williamson.

“Korea’s Fight for Freedom’’ McKenzie

“Ten Years in Manchuria’’

“Unbeaten Tracks in Japan”

“Basic Treaty Issues in Korea between Japan &

China” Gift

“Foreign Policy Reports” December 28, 1931. Gift “Willard Straight” Croly

“Buried Treasure in Eastern Turkestan’’

“The Menace of Colour”

“Les Coreens’’

“Religions of Eastern Asia”

“The Far Eastern Question’’

“Illustrated Catalogue of Ancient Monuments and Historical Remains of Korea.” Vols. I一VI, IX―XII

The total number of new titles is not large but a considerable part of the money has been invested in the copies of “Ancient Monuments and Historical Remains of Korea” of which we now have ten out of a set of twelve volumes. The missing ones are Vols. VII and VIII which are extremely [page 132] rare. The Government authorities themselves have no copy of Volume VII. The Research Departments of the Government General are from time to time bringing out very valuable albums descriptive of their work. The editions are exceedingly small and are not put out on a commercial basis. It is my opinion that the Society would do well to authorize the Council to secure as many as possible of these illustrated albums-

Back copies of our Transactions; as distributing agents for our Transactions, the C. L. S. is constantly having inquiries for copies of volumes X & XI which we are unable to supply. I would again call the attention of our members and friends who may have copies of these two volumes which they do not care to preserve, that we would be glad to purchase them for other libraries and friends who need them to complete their files.

Library Account. The Library Account is as fellows

Balance 1931-32 unexpended Yen 7.93

1932-33 regular appropriation 150.00

Special appropriation for

“Ancient Monuments and Historical

Remains” 115.00

Appropriation for book-case 45.00

Expense for book-case 45.00

‘‘Historical Remains, etc.” 140.50

Expense for miscellaneous books 111.65

For binding 14.70

For incidentals 4.50

 ¥ 317.93 ¥ 316.35

 1.58

Unexpended Balance ¥ 317.93 ¥ 317.93

**Recommendation.**

That ¥ 150.00 be appropriated for the purchase of books in European languages.