

A Message from the New President:

Robert S. Campbell 1958 President, American Society of Range Management

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Author of numerous articles and bulletins on range management, range ecology, and range livestock management. Charter member of the American Society of Range Management. Member Board of Directors, 1949; Editor, Journal of Range Management, 1950-1952. Chairman, Southern Section, 1954. Vice President of the Society, 1957.

Greetings to grassland managers everywhere!

Our Annual Meeting at Phoenix, Arizona provided a great stimulus for the work ahead. And there is work a plenty for all of us, both as individuals and as a Society. It is through the Society that each of us can make his greatest contribution to grassland conservation and management.

Innumerable details require attention to keep the Society running smoothly and efficiently. We plan to cooperate with other societies in discussions of grazing problems and research techniques. We must maintain the outstanding quality of our Journal, by giving it increased financial support to meet higher printing costs. We must find ways to lighten the contributed time load of the Editor. We must find means to finance other Society publications which are nearing completion. Inevitably these activities necessitate higher dues to keep up with increasing costs.

The Society, through active committees and Sections, must continue to strive for more interchange of ideas between ranchers and range workers in the public agencies. We must help maintain high standards in the education, employment, and advancement of technical range men.

We are looking forward to the Annual Meeting at Tulsa next January. Start making your plans now to attend. But even more important than the Society Annual Meeting is active participation by each member in his Section activities. It is through our Sections that we reach the greatest number of range men, increase our membership, and enlarge our usefulness as a Society.

Beyond our responsibility to the American Society of Range Management is our duty to all

human society. There is urgent need for each of us to think and work for better human understanding, tolerance, and ultimate World peace. Such peace will be brought about by men who work with plants, with animals, and with the soil. A dedicated mental attitude is necessary to make the right decisions and do the right things in each crowded day. As Isaac Watts has said: "Though reading and conversation may furnish us with many ideas of men and things, yet it is our meditation must form our judgement."

I sincerely appreciate the opportunity to serve as President of the Society in 1958. I am grateful for the fine work done by President Tisdale, Executive-Secretary John Clouston, and other officers and members last year. With your help, I am confident this will be another good year.

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