FIRST 35 YEARS

Leadership History of the Society for Range Management

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The Society for Range Management was formally organized as the American Society of Range Management at a meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah, in January 1948 with Joseph F. Pechanec as the first president. By popular vote of the members by mail ballot, the name was changed to the Society for Range Management in 1970, when Bill Hurst was president.

There were 192 range men in attendance at the organizational meeting in 1948. A history was prepared by Joe Pechanec and published in the July 1957 issue of the Journal of Range Management.

The October 1948 issue of JRM carried a listing of SRM members as of July 1, 1948. At that time there were 476 Charter Members and 665 total membership. August 1978 Rangeland's Journal, inside back cover, reported as of July 1, 1978, Charter Members of 156 (missed 9, should have been 165) and 5,526 total members. As of July 1, 1982, we had 156 Charter Members and 4,874 total members. See inside back cover this issue for names of Charter Members.


Beginning in April 1977 Honor Awards have been shown in each April issue of Rangeland's Journal and Rangelands.

To date only three Special Awards have been given: to A.W. Sampson, John G. Clouston and W.R. Chapline; a number of annual Outstanding Achievement Awards have been made beginning in 1967; the annual Frederic G. Renner Award began in 1972 with Peter Jackson receiving the first one; and Fellow Awards began in 1977.

The Journal of Range Management was first published in October, 1948 with 62 pages, only one Journal that year. The next two years, or volumes, had four issues each. Beginning January 1951 and every year since, JRM has published six issues per year. The first six volumes were size 7 by 10 inches. Starting with January 1954, the size was increased to 8½ by 11 inches, the present size. The number of pages per year, or volume, has increased from 288 in 1954 to 520 in 1981. (January, March, and May 1982 issues have 136 pages each.)

Beginning with the January 1960 issue JRM carried a small 5 by 5½ inch picture on the front cover. The picture size was increased in January 1961 to 5½ by 5½. The picture continued on the front cover through November 1977. Beginning with the January 1978 issue the JRM cover has carried a small picture of the SRM Trail Boss, size 2½ by 4½ inches.

Publishing months for JRM are January, March, May, July, September, and November. JRM is a scientific publication. Rangeland's News came into being in June 1969 and was published every other month through August 1974. This publication was mainly about the Society and its members. A few articles were written by Francis Colbert, Executive Secretary, but very few by any one else.

Rangeland's News followed Rangeland's Journal. Its first issue was October 1974. All RJ's carried a picture of a corral, the same corral, on the front cover; some members got tired of this corral. Next was Rangelands, which first appeared February 1979. It carries a 6 by 8½ inch picture of range interest on the front cover. RJ was and Rangelands is a popular style magazine. RJ started with 32 pages in each issue; number of pages per issue has gradually increased until Rangelands is now publishing 48.

Rangeland's News, Rangeland's Journal, and Rangelands have all been size 8½ by 11 inches. Publishing months for these have been, and still are: February, April, June, August, October, and December.

Continuing with the Society's history, there follows in tabular form a list and summary of presidents, secretaries, directors, Sections, JRM editorial board members and editors, and RJ and Rangelands editorial board members and editors.

The following compilation of names, and other information in tabular form, is by no means all who have served and served well in Society leadership roles. It would have been a tremendous job and the results would have been so mountainous that I did not attempt it. I'm referring to the thousands who have served on special, ad hoc, and standing committees of the Society as well as the other thousands who have been Section officers and chairmen and members of the many Section committees over the past 35 years. If someone wants to tackle this horrendous job—just have at it! We'll worry about publishing it after it is done.

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Presidents

No. Year Name Home City Year No.
1 1948 Joseph F. Pechanec Oregon Salt Lake City 1948 1
   Joseph F. Pechanec* Oregon Denver 1949 2
2 1949 Frederic G. Renner Wash. DC San Antonio 1950 3
3 1950 David A. Savage Oklahoma Billings 1951 4
4 1951 Daniel A. Fulton Montana Boneville 1952 5
5 1952 Laurence A. Stoddard Utah Albuquerque 1953 6
6 1953 B.W. Allred Texas Omaha 1954 7
7 1954 Floyd D. Larson** Montana San Jose 1955 8
8 1955 A.P. Atkins Oklahoma Denver 1956 9
9 1956 John D. Freeman Arizona Great Falls 1957 10
10 1957 E.W. Tisdale Idaho Phoenix 1958 11
11 1958 Robert S. Campbell Louisiana Tulsa 1959 12
12 1959 Donald F. Hervey Colorado Portland 1960 13
13 1960 Fred H. Kennedy New Mexico Salt Lake City 1961 14
14 1961 Vernon A. Young Arizona Corpus Christi 1962 15
15 1962 E. William Anderson Oregon Rapid City 1963 16
16 1963 M.W. Taibot California Wichita 1964 17
17 1964 Wayne Kessler Arizona Las Vegas 1965 18
18 1965 C.H. Wasser Colorado New Orleans 1966 19
19 1966 Melvin S. Morris Montana Seattle 1967 20
20 1967 C. Wayne Cook Colorado Albuquerque 1968 21
21 1968 E.J. Dyksterhuis Texas Calgary 1969 22
22 1969 Donald A. Cox Nebraska Denver 1970 23
23 1970 William D. Hurst New Mexico Reno 1971 24
25 1972 Floyd E. Kinsinger Colorado Boise 1973 26
26 1973 Martin H. Gonzalez Chihuahua Tucson 1974 27
27 1974 Peter V. Jackson III Montana Mexico City 1975 28
30 1977 Thadis W. Box Utah San Antonio 1978 31
31 1978 Robert M. Williamson New Mexico Casper 1979 32
32 1979 Daniel L. Merkel Colorado San Diego 1980 33
33 1980 Harold F. Heady California Tulsa 1981 34
34 1981 John Merrill Texas Calgary 1982 35

*Joe Pechanec presided at the first two meetings.
**Floyd Larson was on foreign assignment. Red Atkins, VP, presided at the San Jose Meeting in 1955.

SRM Secretaries

1948-Harold F. Heady, Sec-Treas, Texas A&M College
1949-Melvin S. Morris, Treasurer, University of Montana, Missoula
1949-W. James Anderson, Secretary, Grazing Service (now BLM), Washington, D.C.
1950-E.H. Mcllvain, Secretary, Plains Field Station, USDA, Woodward, Oklahoma
1950-H.R. Hochmuth, Treasurer, Bureau of Agriculture Economics, Utah State Agriculture College, Logan
1951-Gene F. Payne, Secretary, Montana State College, Bozeman
1951-C. Kenneth Pearse, Treasurer, FS Research, Tucson
1952-W.T. (Terry) White was named Executive Secretary, January, 1952 and served until his death on December 10, 1956. There is a writeup on Terry, page 57, March 1957 JRM. Another on page 156, Rangelman's Journal, October 1977. The SRM office was in Portland during White's term as Executive Secretary.
1957-John G. Clouston was appointed Executive Secretary effective March 1, 1957. There is a writeup on John on page 156, Rangelman's Journal, October 1977. John served 11 years.
1968-Francis T. Colbert was appointed Executive Secretary on January 1, 1968, and served until his death on April 11, 1974. The SRM office was moved from Portland to Denver early in 1968. There is a writeup about Francis on the first page of Rangelman's News, April 1974. Another on page 173, JRM, May 1974 and a third writeup on Francis on page 191, Rangelman's Journal, December 1977.
1974-David A. Smith took up duties as Executive Secretary on October 1, 1974. A writeup on Dave is on page 192, Rangelman's Journal, December 1977. David served until February 28, 1979.
1979-Loren F. Bredemeier became Executive Secretary on March 1, 1979, and served until a permanent replacement was found.
1982-Jan Duck was appointed Executive Secretary Feb. 1, 1982, and will serve until a replacement is found and hired.
SRM Board of Directors

B.W. Alrred, 1948
David F. Costello* 1948
Fred G. Renner, 1948
George Stewart, 1948
L.A. Stoddart, 1948
Vernon A. Young*, 1948
Milo H. Deming, 1949-50
W.L. Dutton, 1949-51
R.S. Campbell, 1949
Kenneth W. Parker, 1949-50
A.W. Sampson, 1949-51
J.A. Campbell, 1950-52
J.S. McCorkle, 1950-52
A.P. Atkins, 1951-53
Bruce Orcutt, 1951-52
E.J. Dyksterhuis, 1952-54
Harold F. Heady, 1952-54
David F. Costello*, 1953-55
Vernon A. Young*, 1953-55
Fred H. Kennedy, 1953
Mont H. Saunders, 1954-55
Harold Josendal, 1956
George E. Weaver, 1954-56
Leslie R. Albee*, 1955-57
Donald F. Hervey, 1955-57
John M. Cross, 1956-58
Lyman L. Richwine, 1956
Joe A. Wagner, 1957-58
Kenneth Conrad, 1957-59
E. William Anderson, 1957-59
James L. Finley, 1958-60
Melvin S. Morris, 1958-60
John Chohlis, 1959-61
C.H. McKinnon, 1959-61
Karl G. Parker, 1960-61
Gerald W. Thomas, 1960-62
Wayne Kessler, 1962
Avon Denham 1961-63
Otto J. Wolf, 1961-63
C.H. Wasser, 1962-64
Robert A. Darrow, 1962-63
Don Cox, 1963-65
Leslie R. Albee*, 1963

* Asterisk denotes men who served twice. Four did: Costello, Young, Albee and Hyatt. To date 81 different men have served on the SRM Board of Directors.

Sections Organized and/or Approved

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JRM Editorial Board

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2 R.S. Campbell
3 Robert A. Darrow
4 H.R. Hochmuth
5 Warren C. Whitman
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7 D.F. Costello
8 F.W. Alberson
9 Walter P. Cottam
10 Fred B. Kennedy
11 William C. Weir
12 Kenneth B. Platt
13 E.W. Tisdale
14 Harold F. Heady
15 George E. Weaver
16 A.L. Hafenrichter
17 W.R. Hanson
18 John G. Roberts
19 Joseph H. Robertson
20 John T. Cassady
21 E.R. Jackson
22 C.A. Rechenthin
23 Ben O. Osborn
24 Clinton H. Wasser
25 Frank Gyrberg
26 E.J. Woolfolk
27 Arnold Herwagen
28 Donald R. Cornelius
29 Jack R. Harlan
30 L.T. Burcham
31 Lynn Rader
32 Geo. E. Glendening
33 F.A. Branson
34 W.J. McGinnies
35 Alex Johnston
36 Harold A. Paulsen
37 Donald F. Burzlaff
38 Robert W. Lodge
39 John L. Launghbaugh
40 C. Wayne Cook
41 V.L. Duvall
42 Howard B. Passey
43 Odell Julander
44 Martin H. Gonzalez
45 Russell D. Lloyd
46 Alan A. Beetle
47 Evan L. Flory
48 Robert W. Harris
49 Horton M. Laude
50 Lorenz F. Bredemeier
51 Charles L. Leinweber
52 Frank W. Stanton
53 Jack F. Hooper
54 John H. Ehrenreich
55 J.B. Hilmoe
56 Alastair McLean
57 Frederick C. Hall
58 Kendall L. Johnson
59 C.M. McKell
60 E.W. Anderson
61 R.E. Eckert, Jr.
62 Ned W. Jefferies
63 Hudson G. Reynolds
64 C. Kenneth Pearse
65 Sylvester Smolik
66 Elvis R. Beaty
67 Don Dwyer
68 Lowell K. Halls
69 Robert L. Ross
70 G.W. Tomanek
71 Henry A. Wright
72 Dwight R. Cable
73 John P. Workman
74 Russell J. Lorenz
75 Lewis L. Yarlett
76 Phillip L. Sims
77 Rex D. Pieper
78 Minoru Hironaka
79 Mark R. Kilcher
80 James B. Newman
81 Walter F. Muegler
82 Darrall N. Ueckert
83 David G. Wilson
84 William T. Barker
85 John Malechek
86 C.F. Scifres
87 Clifford E. Lewis
88 Raymond Evans
89 James O. Klemmedson
90 George W. Scottor
91 M.J. Trlica
92 J. Ross Wight
93 Donald A. Klebenow
94 James T. Nichols

Affiliation
19 Ranchers
18 University
9 SCS
7 Forest Service
5 ARS
5 FS Research
5 Extension Service
4 BLM
2 Canada Research
1 BIA
1 Consultant
1 Business
1 Provincial Govt.
1 Experiment Station
1 State Land Dept.
1 Wildlife
81 total

Location
9 Colorado
8 Montana
7 Washington DC
7 Canada
7 Oregon
6 Texas
5 Arizona
5 Utah
4 California
4 Wyoming
3 Oklahoma
3 New Mexico
3 South Dakota
3 Nevada
2 Idaho
2 Mexico
2 Nebraska
1 Louisiana
81 total

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R.J. and Rangelands Editorial Board

Ivan R. Porter                James A. Young
Bob J. Ragsdale              Deen E. Boe
Ed Robertson, Jr.            William J. Harvey
Edmundo L. Aguirre V.        Robert W. Lodge
Thomas E. Bedell             Joseph C. Zacek
Kenneth O. Fulgham          Richard A. Coon
Raymond Schnell              Luis Carlos Fierro
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William C. Krueger           Leo B. Merrill
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S. Clark Martin              A.D. Brownfield, Jr.
John Chohlis                 Thane J. Johnson
Alex Johnston                Michael C. Stroud
Robert L. Ross               Raymond A. Demarchi
Robert M. Williamson         F. Robert Gartner
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Don C. Edgerton              Kenneth D. Sanders
Kel M. Fox                   Barbara Lemont
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Claude C. Dillon             Dennis Philippi

Above people are listed in chronological order from 1974 through 1982. Most served 3-year terms.

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BIA locations:
- 1 Florida
- 1 Oklahoma
- 1 Mexico
- 1 Wisconsin
- 1 North Carolina
- 1 Georgia

Rangerland employees:
- 2 years
- 8 years
- 3 years
- 4 years
- 8 years
- 5 years
- 1 year

Total 35 years through 1982.
First issue of RJM was October 1948.

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- 1 North Dakota
- 1 South Dakota
- 1 Florida
- 44 Total

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