

**The First 30 Years, 1949-1978**

**History of the Utah Section**

**Society for Range Management**

## Foreword

This effort to reconstruct the significant events associated with the Utah Section of the Society is in my judgement only partially successful. It was simply impossible, given the records that were available, to unravel with precision and describe all the events of the past 30 years.

I am grateful to those who earlier organized the file material. Lamar Mason and J. L. Jacobs especially were helpful in this regard.

There are many who have given valuable assistance in adding to the information in the files and correcting errors in the preliminary draft of the history which was circulated to the membership. Unfortunately there were some discrepancies among these suggestions. Necessarily when such discrepancies occurred I had to weigh the evidence and choose what seemed to be the most logical one knowing that this course does not always lead to the correct solution. I apologize for any errors.

I wish to thank those who took time to examine their files, dust off their memories, and respond to appeals for help. And now that the project is completed I can even forgive Reed Christensen for pressuring me to get on with the project. It may not otherwise have been done. Although it would have been possible to have included information for the years 1979 and 1980, in order to make a neat package I have stuck with the first 30 years.

Arthur D. Smith  
19 January 1981

## Formation of Utah Section

The Utah Section of the Society for Range Management originated on 7 May 1949 at a meeting held in the grand jury room of the Federal Building in Salt Lake City. Twenty-two members of the society were present. Harold J. Burback (BLM) was chosen chairman of the group. After discussions of the aims and objectives to be followed a petition was directed to the national office for establishment of a section. Notification of the acceptance of this petition (with certain modifications to conform to Society requirements) was received in a letter from Pres. F. G. Renner dated 20 June 1949. The petition follows:

Salt Lake City, Utah  
May 7, 1949

We, the undersigned members in good standing of the American Society of Range Management, and in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of said Society, do hereby petition the establishment of a local section, to be known as the Utah Section:

(Sgd.) L. A. Stoddart, Utah Agric. College, Logan, Utah  
Francis T. Colbert, Utah Agric. College, Logan, Utah  
H. Byron Mock, Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake City, Utah  
D. Sheldon Winn, Soil Conservation Service, Ogden, Utah  
Arnold Heerwagen, Soil Conservation Service  
R. B. McAllister, Soil Conservation Service, Murray, Utah  
W. Harold Hirst, Bureau of Reclamation, Salt Lake City, Utah  
P. B. Lister, Soil Conservation Service, Salt Lake City, Utah  
Hugh M. Bryan, Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake City, Utah  
J. Earl Palmer, Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake City, Utah  
Lincoln Ellison, Int. Forest & Range Experiment Station, USFS, Ogden  
Joel Walters, Int. Forest & Range Exp. Sta., USFS, Ogden  
James O. Stewart, U.S. Forest Service, Logan, Utah  
Ben S. Markham, Bureau of Land Management, Spanish Fork, Utah  
Wm. D. Hurst, U.S. Forest Service, Logan, Utah  
Doyle C. Hales, Soil Conservation Service, Tooele, Utah  
Lewis M. Turner, Utah State Agricultural College, Logan, Utah  
David Holmgren, Farmer and Rancher, Tremonton, Utah  
Owen W. Morris, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Salt Lake City, Utah  
D. M. Gaufin, Utah Fish & Game Dept., Salt Lake City, Utah  
Jack H. Berryman, Utah Fish and Game Dept., Salt Lake City, Utah  
Harold J. Burback, Bureau of Land Management, Salt Lake City, Utah

As might be expected, most of those attending were employed by federal conservation agencies--5 each from the Soil Conservation Service and the Bureau of Land Management and 4 from the U.S. Forest Service. The Bureau of Reclamation and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service each had a representative. The Utah State Fish and Game Department (now Division of Wildlife Resources) had 2 present. A single rancher was among the petitioners.

Half of this group are known to have passed on. Others have moved elsewhere and their whereabouts are unknown.

### Chapters

In 1957 interest had developed in establishing a student chapter of the Utah Section among range students attending Utah State University. At a business meeting of the section officers, 13 April 1957, a motion was passed that, subject to subsequent conference with and concurrence of L. M. Turner, Dean of the School of Forestry, Range and Wildlife Management, that students be permitted to organize a student chapter. Section records available do not reveal when the USU chapter was activated, but the 1958 Juniper reported that it was organized in April 1957.

In the 1964-65 school year a student chapter was organized at Brigham Young University with Jordan Pederson as the first president. Lists of presidents of the student chapters insofar as they could be determined are shown in Table 1.

In 1968 plans were advanced to organize chapters among members living away from population centers in northern Utah. The impetus for this was the belief that chapters would increase activity among section membership and facilitate participation of members in outlying parts of the state in

Table 1. Presidents of student and area chapters in Utah, 1957 et seq.

Year	USU	BYU	Southern Utah	Northern Utah
1957-58	Ted Russell			
1958-59	Bill Davis			
1959-60	John Trombel			
1960-61				
1961-62	Gary Oliverson*			
1962-63	Dan Bromley			
1963-64	Don Schmidtlein			
1964-65	James Whittekiend	Jordan Pederson		
1965-66	Tom Baxter	Lamont W. Law		
1966-67	George Wiggins	Brent Nyborg		
1967-68	Karl Simonsen	Jerry Thomas	Bill Little	
1968-69	Stephen L. Hatch	Wm. P. Lee	Jim Butler	
1969-70	John Logan	Gary Fulmer	Carl Thurgood	
1970-71	Harvey Gates	Robert Allen	Vaughan Francis	Les Fluckiger
1971-72	Lee G. Pattison	Robert Allen	Frank Jensen	J. P. Blaisdell
1972-73	Ron Ardissono	James B. Englebright	Ken Satterfield	Lamar R. Mason
1973-74		Jack Topham	Neil Frischknecht	Fee Busby
1974-75	Marty Holmes		Marvin Jensen	Dee Ritchie
1975-76	Marty Holmes	Richard Jaynes	Bruce Reese	Bill Leavell
1976-77	Barbara Roberts		Frank Savage	Fred Gifford
1977-78	Bill Bass		Milo Barney	Warren Brough

\*Contradictory information occurs with respect to the presidency during the years 1960-63. The listing given is from the Utah Juniper. Since only two names appear for three years it is possible that one person served more than one year.

meetings and tours by reducing the travel distances required of them. At a meeting of the Council in Logan in May of that year authorization was given for the formation of four chapters: Northern, Central-Southwest, Uinta Basin, and Southeast (letter Nick Cozakos to Jerry Thomas 15 May 1968). Apparently nothing came of the suggested Uinta Basin and Southeastern Chapters. A group met in Richfield 2 May 1968 under the direction of Nick Cozakos, President, Utah Section, to organize into a chapter.

Those participating were:

Martel Anderson	Max (and Eve) Robinson
Carl Thurgood	Erving Cowley
Jack Hooper	Lynn Leishman
Bill Little	Perry (and Blanche) Plummer
Morgan Jensen	Delmar Vail
Bud Jacobsen	Bill Fallis
Darrell Hoffman	Dale Ross

This became the Southern Utah Chapter which has remained active to this time.

The following year a steering committee with Dee Ritchie and Jack Hooper as chairmen was named to proceed with forming a northern Utah Section. The first records of this chapter being in existence was in 1971 at which time Les Fluckiger was President. Chapter presidents in subsequent years are shown in Table 1.

By 1976 there developed a feeling among many section members that chapters were not desirable. While the southern chapter had functioned well, the northern chapter had not been equally successful in the minds of many. In consequence of apparent widespread disinterest in continuing the chapters, a poll was taken among the membership. Despite the apparent dissatisfaction with the chapter concept, the majority view was that chapters served a useful purpose and should be continued (Bd. of Dir. Minutes, 30/4/76). Thus for the time at least the matter was laid to rest.

## Meetings and Tours

Since the formation of the section an active program of meetings and field tours has been pursued. Meetings have been held annually each fall or winter which were devoted to section business, discussions of currently important range problems, and presentation of papers reporting progress in scientific aspects of range management. With few exceptions these have been held in Salt Lake City (at the Newhouse Hotel through 1967). In 1970 and again in 1978 the annual meeting was held in Price; in 1971 the section met in Ogden, and in 1975 at Provo. The 1975 meeting was held in conjunction with the establishment of the browse laboratory at Brigham Young University by the Intermountain Forest and Range Experiment Station, U.S. Forest Service.

Beginning in 1954 the Utah Section has joined with other professional conservation organizations in Utah in sponsoring an annual meeting each spring on the campus of Utah State University at Logan during Conservation Week (Min. Bd. of Dir., Jan. 1954). These programs have been increasingly important and timely. The program held in 1976 on the decline of mule deer in the West was outstandingly successful and attracted a large body of participants from surrounding western states.

From one to several field tours have been held each summer. Some of these have been under the sole sponsorship of the Utah Section; others have been cooperatively sponsored with other organizations, notably the Utah Cattleman's Association.

The dates and locations of tours are as follows:\*

1949	19 Oct.	Cheatgrass on foothills areas
1950	13 June	Benmore (H. Bryan says Logan in June)

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\*Tours sponsored jointly with other organizations.

- 1951 19 May Bar-B (Browning) Ranch - Salt Creek, Box Elder Co.  
19 July Great Basin Branch, Inter. F. & R. Exp. Sta., Ephraim
- 1952 11 June Benmore\*  
15 July Summit County, Hoytsville and Kamas  
30 July Upper Sevier River Watershed (Sheep Creek)\*  
3 Sept. Desert Experimental Range, Pine Valley
- 1953 9 June Grantsville dust area of 30's, Tooele Ordinance Depot  
27 July Monte Cristo  
11 Sept. Ute Indian Reservation  
Park Valley (Referred to in Hugh Bryan letter)
- 1954 22 May Tour of Pine Valley Mtn. Area  
16 July Joint tour with Fremont River SCS District. Poison  
plant station, UM, brisket disease problem\*  
30 July Powell District, Dixie National Forest, John's and  
Upper Valleys  
3-4 Sept. Moab and LaSal tour
- 1955 17 June Mayfield and Pinchot Ranger Station, Moroni Feed Co. Plant  
25-26 August Uintah & Daggett tour -- Echo Park discussion
- 1956 2 August Wasatch County, Wolf Creek, joint with Wasatch SCD,  
Farm Bureau, Chamber of Commerce  
1 Sept. Santaquin and Payson Allotments, Uinta National Forest
- 1957 24 May Eureka and Tintic Valley (note in file says "rained out")  
12 Oct. W. Box Elder Co.--Snowville and Park Valley, range  
rehabilitation
- 1958 27 May Eureka and Tintic Pastures  
29 Aug. Pines seeding, Blubber Creek (Garfield County)
- 1959 10 July Mt. Nebo Loop  
17-18 Sept. Granger Thye lands, Fillmore; Desert Experimental  
Range; Indian Peak
- 1960 7 May Deseret Livestock Co. Ranch, Rich County  
10-11 June Hancock Flat, Lost Creek, Fishlake N.F.  
10 Sept. Joint tour with Colorado Section, Diamond Mountain  
and Brush Creek, Uinta Co.
- 1961 16 June Dixie State Park, Jackson Spring, Mtn. Meadows, Pinto,  
Richie Flat--Washington and Iron Counties  
11-12 Aug. Manti Mtn., Mt. Pleasant  
22-23 Sept. San Juan Co. (poorly attended)
- 1962 22-23 June Hart's Draw, Gooseberry, Dark Canyon, Milk Ranch Pt.,  
San Juan Co.  
6 Sept. Snowville, Grouse Creek, Curlew National Grasslands  
29-30 Sept. Sinbad, San Rafael and Henry Mountains



- 1963 8 June Wah Wah and Pine Valleys, Desert Experimental Range  
12 July Hardware Ranch and Peterson and Swan Ranches, Cache Co.  
15-16 Aug. Diamond Mtn.-Flaming Gorge\*, Indian Lands
- 1964 12 June Tour of Benmore area  
10-11 Aug. Rich County (with Utah cattlemen)\*  
12 Sept. Sheep Creek watershed
- 1965 25 June Morgan County Tour, Bohman and Rollins Bros. ranches  
16 Aug. Alex Williams' ranch - Cedar Mountain
- 1966 11 June Juniper control, Fairview, Wales cattle allotment,  
Sanpete Co.  
29 July National SRM Tour - Hardware Ranch, Monte Cristo,  
Bear Lake
- 1967 15 July Henry Mountains tour  
19 August Diamond Fork cattle allotment, Uintah N.F.
- 1968 28-29 Joint Arizona-Utah Section tour, Arizona Strip
- 1969 18-19 Nutter's Ranch, Joe's Valley, and Ferron watershed
- 1971 6 August Marysvale chaining, Merchant Valley, Big Flat tree  
planting, Tushar (Beaver) Mtns.
- 1972 27-28 July Great Basin tour\*
- 1973 15-16 June Iron and Washington Counties, P-J eradication,  
Enterprise, black grass bugs, deer pass on  
I-15 near Beaver, predator losses among sheep.
- 1974 16-17 May Kaiparowits power plant site  
21 June 1930 Dust Bowl, Grantsville, and Tooele Ordnance Depot  
9-10 August Morgan County, land planning, stream impacts of  
U.S. 80, rancher relations
- 1975 16-17 May Frisco, Wah Wah and Pine Valleys, Desert Experimental  
Range
- 1976 21-22 May Washington County
- 1977 20-21 May Henry Mountains and Boulder Mountain  
16-17 Sept. Uintah County, alpine ranges and oil shale  
vegetation
- 1978 16-17 June San Juan County, LaSal and vicinity

Two tours have been planned and conducted in cooperation with sections  
in adjoining states. In 1960 a tour of Diamond Mountain and Brush Creek

near Vernal was jointly conducted with the Colorado Section; in 1968 the Arizona Section joined the Utah Section in meetings in St. George followed by a tour of the Arizona Strip.

The summer meeting of the parent organization was hosted by the Utah Section at Logan and adjoining rangeland areas were toured in 1966. An especially significant gathering took place in 1972 in connection with the Intermountain Forest and Range Experiment Station field day held at the Great Basin Experimental Range near Ephraim, Utah. This event attracted people from Utah and other western states, at which time the contribution of Arthur W. Sampson was recognized and the pioneer work in range research at the Great Basin was reviewed.

#### Scholarships and Awards

In 1954 the idea of an award program was accepted by the Utah Section with the formation of an awards committee with Selar Hutchings chairman. Two possible award categories were suggested by the committee: "(1) Stockman of the Year, and (2) [Professional] contribution to range management." (Min. Annual Bus. Mtg., 11 Dec. 1954.) No action was taken at this time on these suggestions.

Subsequently, considerable discussion took place concerning the format of a suitable awards program which continued for several years. In addition to recognizing ranchers and professionals, the desirability of stimulating interest in range conservation among students at the high school level and assisting promising college students through a scholarship award program were among the ideas debated. The awards committee in 1965 proposed for discussion "(1) a Junior Range Managers Award ... and (2) Essay contest ...". No action was taken upon these

proposals at the meeting, and the committee report was offered as a guide to subsequent committee and section action.

Out of these, and subsequent suggestions, two ideas were accepted. That of a "rancher of the year" award and a student scholarship to be given to promising students. The essay and junior range manager awards were judged too unwieldy to administer after some initial attempts and were abandoned.

Scholarships. At the annual meeting, 10 December 1963, the Utah Section accepted the recommendation of the Scholarship Committee that a scholarship be given each year to a college senior within Utah enrolled in a recognized range management curriculum. Utah State University and Brigham Young University qualified at that time. The award was to be given on the basis of "scholarship, interest in range management, leadership, promise of success in the profession, and financial need". The award was first given in 1964 to James W. Peterson, a student at Utah State University and three more awards were made through 1967 (Table 2).

Records available provide no information of recipients or indeed whether the award was made in 1968 or in several other years during the early 1970's. During the annual meetings held in Provo, 15-16 December 1972, and in consequence of the Utah Section showing a profit of approximately \$2500 from the 1972 meetings at the Great Basin, a decision was made to create a permanent scholarship fund, the interest returns from which would be used to provide an annual scholarship award (Min. Board of Directors, 15 Dec. 1972). This set the stage for resuming the scholarship program. Pending the activation of the scholarship and establishment procedures to be followed, \$300 was given to Snow College

Table 2. Recipients of Utah Section Scholarship Awards.

Year	Person	University
1964	James W. Peterson	Utah State University
1965	Alma H. Winward	Utah State University
1966	George Wiggins	Utah State University
1967	Niels Leroy Martin	Brigham Young University
1968	Raymond W. Carling	Brigham Young University
1970	Dennis Austin	Utah State University
1974	David B. Hewlett	Utah State University
1975	Richard Jaynes	Brigham Young University
1976	Kevin Allred	Brigham Young University
1977	Forrest Luke	Brigham Young University

to be used as a scholarship for a student enrolled in a pre-range curriculum there. The first award was made to David B. Hewlett, a student at Utah State University in 1974 (1974-75 school year). The scholarship was named for L. A. Stoddart.

At the outset (1964) the cash award was set at \$100 until such time as funds increased so as to permit a larger award. It was further proposed that the University at which the recipient was registered be asked to supplement the grant by waiving tuition fees. Nothing could be found to indicate whether this idea was pursued or if so whether the effort met with success. In consequence of improved financial status of the section, the cash award has been \$300 in recent years.

Awards. The awards program was slow in reaching fruition. The plan to establish an Honor Roll of professionals who had contributed to the advancement of range management aroused widely divergent views which could not be resolved, but what probably led to this plan being dropped was withholding of "blessings" from the parent organization.

The rancher award finally was the only one of those proposed to be inaugurated. Although the idea of a rancher was widely accepted, there were some problems. One complication lay in the fact that the students at Utah State University had been giving such an award by that name for several years in connection with the annual Conservation Week. For several years this award was one of three made by the Forestry Club, the other awards being for persons representing forestry and wildlife, respectively. The student chapter, SRM, at Utah State assumed the selection of the Rangeman Award after its formation. Not only was there a duplication in title and effort, members of the Utah Section were involved in assisting student organizations in the selection process; since the students did

not have the means to conduct interviews and make necessary range examinations especially where candidates lived in remote sections of the state. The question also arose as to where would be an appropriate place and time for making the presentation. The student award had become a part of the annual spring meeting held on the campus at USU during Conservation Week, but there was strong feeling that if the Utah Section were to undertake a rancher award program it would be more appropriate that the presentation should be made at the annual meeting of the section. In view of these and other considerations, in 1958 the awards committee, Ben Heywood chairman, conducted a questionnaire among section members to learn their views (Min. Ann. Bus. Meeting 6 Dec. 1958). To date, no information has been uncovered as to the outcome of this opinion poll. Apparently it was not definite so far as the officers were concerned, for in 1961 a questionnaire again was prepared for response by council members only for resolution of the impasse. Similarly, the results of this poll are not available. A listing of rancher-of-the-year selections is shown in Table 3. It appears that prior to 1964 the award was made by the students at USU and those listed thereafter were selections and presentations by the Section though this conclusion is somewhat conjectural for no definitive statement could be found on this matter. A second possibility is that after 1960 student awards to ranchers were made at the annual section meeting, a reference in the files suggests that Dean Gardner of St. George was the student section awardee that year. In 1961 only one award (Bridger) was made during Conservation Week (Utah Juniper 1951). No rancher award is mentioned. At any rate the first unequivocal reference in the section files of a rancher of the year award was in 1964 when Hyrum Winterton was selected.

Table 3. Recipients of the Rancher of the Year awards in Utah, 1953-1978 by students at USU and Utah Section, SRM.

Year	Rancher
1953	Evan Woodbury, St. George
1954	Howard Clegg, Erda
1955	William S. Young, Wanship
1956	Wilford Wintch, Ephraim
1957	Reuel F. Jacobson, Provo
1958	Heaton Brothers, Alton
1959	Berkeley Anderson, Glenwood
1960	Wynn Hansen, Fielding
1961	Dean Gardner, St. George
1962	Charles Redd, LaSal
1963	Not known
1964	Hyrum S. Winterton, Heber City
1965	Johnson and Riley Fitzgerald, Draper
1966	Alex Williams, Cedar City
1967	Woods and Eyres, Minersville
1968	Bill Cunningham, Cisco
1969	Lloyd Adams, Blanding
1970	Richard V. Griffin, Boulder
1971	Martel Anderson, Junction
1972	George M. White, Moab
1973	Stuart Hopkins, Randolph
1974	Richard Leigh, Cedar City
1975	Daniel G. Freed, Salt Lake City
1976	Park Valley Hereford Association, Park Valley, Utah
1977	Nick C. Chournos, Tremonton, Utah
1978	J. C. Smith, Snowville, Utah

In 1977 a new award was instituted by the Section, the Rangeman of the Year Award to be made to a professional in range management in recognition of outstanding professional achievement. Recipients are:

1977 Thomas L. Jensen, BLM, Fillmore

1978 Frank E. Busby, USU, Logan

1979 Mont Lewis, USFS (Ret.), Ogden

#### Youth Activities

Almost from the formation of the Utah Section attention was focused on youth programs as a means of spreading knowledge and understanding of range management principles. To a considerable extent ranchers in Utah were slow to accept these principles and their attention remained focused on animal husbandry and breeding programs. It was not without some justification that one of the early range administrators who had grown up in New Mexico characterized Utah cattlemen as "amateurs" so far as range management practices were concerned. Youth activities centered on range programs were seen as means for speeding up acceptance of range management as a practical tool by ranchers.

These youth activities took various forms--range plant recognition and judging programs among 4-H clubs, essay contests involving high school seniors, sponsoring youths to the annual meeting of SRM to participate in Range Youth Forums, and sponsoring conservation camps for youths were at one time or another sponsored or participated in by the Utah Section.

The record is unclear with respect to section participation in conservation camps. Since the position of range extension specialist was established at USU, the occupant was usually named chairman of the youth committee. For this reason it is difficult to identify what was



Section vis-a-vis Extension Service activity from year to year. The record is clear that the first conservation camp for youths was organized and conducted by Grant Harris in 1954 assisted by the Projects Committee (Newsletter, November 1954). Grant was the first extension forestry-range specialist and the youth committee chairman also at that time. The association of Soil Conservation Districts jointly supported this and the 1955 camp.

Youths were sponsored by various conservation organizations. The Blacksmith Fork Soil Conservation District, Hyrum Wildlife Federation, North Sanpete Future Farmers, Vernal Lions Club, and Brigham City Wildlife Federation were among those sending youth delegates in 1954.

The records available do not indicate when camps were resumed after 1955, but it seems probable that no camps were held after 1955 until 1958. They continued through 1962 when another gap occurred. They were resumed in 1973.

#### Membership

Somewhat boastfully, it was reported at the time of organization of the Utah Section that there were more society members in Utah than in any other state. Although 104 members were claimed at the time, records indicate the total reached 114 later that year. Until 1958 the membership was under 200; throughout the next years, except for 1959 and 1960, it has exceeded 200. The highest membership shown throughout the period 1949-1978 is 273.

The year-by-year totals are shown in Table 4. Too great reliance cannot be placed on these data. In the first place the figures are not

Table 4. Membership in Utah Section based on committee reports or other sources.

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1949	104 (110)	1964	242 (276)
1950	144	1965	271
1952	163	1966	210 (June)
1955	141	1967	249 (276)
1956	161	1968	218 (231)
1957	110 (152)	1969	232
1958	206	1971	238 (30 Nov.)
1959	188	1972	246
1960	190	1973	250
1961	271	1974	269
1962	244	1975	273
1963	261	1976	230 (277)

all reported at the same time of the year. When dates are shown they vary between April and December, thus the effects of delinquency and in-and-out movement are inequally reflected from year to year. It appears that there has been relative stability over the last 15 years.

Fluctuations may have occurred, but there is no discernable trend either to increase or decrease membership throughout that period.

Rancher Membership. A recurrent theme occurring throughout the minutes of meetings of the Utah Section is that of increasing participation and membership of ranchers in the range society, and various means for doing so have been presented. At the organizational meeting one rancher, David Holmgren, was among those in attendance and was elected vice-chairman of the original group of officers. Rancher membership has continued through the ensuing years, but the disproportionate professional:rancher ratio of that time (21:1) has not been consistently bettered. In 1952 there were 15 ranchers among 163 dues-paying members to the parent society; in 1964 there were fewer than 10 ranches among 242 members.

Despite their small numbers, rancher members have been active in section affairs. Wells Robins, Dan Freed and Allan Adams, all prominent in rancher circles, each at one time served as president of the Section. Howard Clegg served as vice-chairman during the second year of the section's existence, and Delbert Holmgren was vice-chairman the third year. These and others have been active participants in meetings and on committees. Among those who remained active over several years are such well known members as Alden K. Barton, Charles Redd, Hardy Redd, Dan Freed, Howard Clegg, Wells Robins, Ned Madsen, D. L. Taylor, and Kumen Gardner.

## Section Officers

Confusion exists with respect to the terminology and titles of section officers. The original draft of the proposed constitution stipulated a president, vice-president, and secretary. These together with the immediate past-president formed the Council. However, in all early correspondence, chairman and vice-chairman appeared under the signatures of officers. These titles appeared in the 1955 revision of the constitution. Another undated missive (circa 1965) proposed changes in the constitution and read to the effect that officers should consist of President, President Elect and three council members rather than Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Directors. Presumably this change was effected.

Whatever their titles, from 1949 through 1956 the governing council was composed of three elected persons and the immediate past presiding officer. After 1956 the secretary was no longer elected but was appointed. In addition three directors or councilmen were elected by the section membership.

Changes proposed in 1971 were that chapter presidents should be added to the council. Apparently this served only to confirm a practice established when chapters were formed, for chapter president's names appear in council lists before 1971. Hopefully Table 5 is an accurate identification of section officers. Table 6 identifies standing committees organized and the committee chairman of each over the years, although there are many gaps which could not be filled.

There are other topics that properly should be treated in a history of the Utah Section during this 30-year period. At present the information in the files is too sketchy to permit any elaboration of these. Hopefully, section records covering the next 30 years will be more complete.

Table 5. Officers of Utah Section SRM, 1949-1978.

Year	President	Vice-President	Secretary <sup>1</sup>	Director/Council
1949	Harold J. Burback	David Holmgren	W. Harold Hirst	
1950	George Stewart	Howard Clegg	Marcellus Palmer	Harold Burback Harold Hirst
1951	C. Wayne Cook	Delbert Holmgren	Odell Julander	
1952	Albert Albertson	A. Perry Plummer	Max Robinson	
1953	Howard B. Passey	Basil Crane	Grant A. Harris	
1954	A. Perry Plummer	Ben S. Markham	Robert Roundy	
1955	Arthur D. Smith	Wm. N. Anderson	R. Clark Anderson	
1956	Myrvin E. Noble <sup>2</sup>	D. Sheldon Winn	J. Deloy Hansen	
1957	D. Sheldon Winn <sup>3</sup>	A. C. Hull	J. Deloy Hansen	Arthur D. Smith J. Wells Robbins James L. Jacobs <sup>4</sup>
1958	Orval Winkler	Neil Frischknecht	Garth Colton	Owen Despain Arthur D. Smith J. Wells Robbins
1959	J. Wells Robbins	Garth Colton	Nyles L. Humphrey	Norman V. Hancock Owen Despain Arthur D. Smith
1960	DuWayne L. Goodwin	Oliver Cliff	John F. Vallentine	J. Kent Giles Norman V. Hancock Owen Despain
1961	S. L. Cuskelly	D. Greenland	Nick Cozakos	T. W. Box J. Kent Giles Norman V. Hancock
1962	Richard Greenland	Dan Freed	Norman V. Hancock	Al Bleak T. W. Box Richard Huffman
1963	Daniel G. Freed	Arthur D. Smith	Grant Rogers	Norman V. Hancock Al Bleak John L. Hougard
1964	A. C. Hull	D. L. Goodwin	Grant Rogers	Nick Cozakos Norman V. Hancock Al Bleak

Table 5. Continued.

Year	President	Vice-President	Secretary <sup>1</sup>	Director/Council
1965	B. B. Heywood	Hallie Cox	Grant Rogers	Karl G. Parker Nick Cozakos Norman Hancock
Year	President	President-Elect	Secretary	Council Members
1966	Hallie Cox	Norman V. Hancock	D. Sheldon Winn	Karl G. Parker Don Fulton Nick Cozakos
1967	Norman V. Hancock	Nick Cozakos	Julian Thomas	Don Fulton Karl G. Parker Frank W. Bohman
1968	Nick J. Cozakos	Jim B. Grumbles	Fred Fuller	Odell Frandsen Frank Bohman D. L. Taylor
1969	Allan Adams	Joseph Zylinski	Gerald F. Gifford	Frank Bohman D. L. Taylor Reed Christensen James Butler - Pres. So. Ut. Ch.
1970	Jack F. Hooper	James Butler	Gerald F. Gifford	D. L. Taylor Reed Christensen Cyrus M. McKell Nick Cozakos - Past Pres. <sup>8</sup>
1971	James Butler	T. W. Box	A. T. Fillingim	Reed Christensen Cy McKell Ross Butler
1972	Thadis W. Box	Lynn James	John Workman	Cy McKell Ross Butler Ned Madsen
1973	Lynn James	Frank Jensen	John Malechek	Ross Butler Ned Madsen Carl Thurgood
1974	Frank Jensen	Jim Bowns	W. J. Padden	Ned Madsen Carl Thurgood Merlin Bishop

Table 5. Continued.

Year	President	President-Elect	Secretary	Council Members
1975	Jim Bowns	Neil Frischknecht	W. J. Padden	Carl Thurgood Merlin Bishop Fee Busby
1976	Neil Frischknecht	Chuck Birkemeyer	Ben Wood (Jack Brotherson)	Merlin Bishop Fee Busby Al Logosz
1977	Chuck Birkemeyer	Reed Christensen	Dan Baird	Fee Busby Al Logosz Homer Stapley
1978	Reed Christensen	LaMar Monroe	Douglas Reid	Al Logosz Homer Stapley Richard Baird

<sup>1</sup>Section secretaries were elected through 1956, after which they were appointed by the President.

<sup>2</sup>Myrvin Noble was transferred from the section in mid-year and was replaced by D. Sheldon Winn.

<sup>3</sup>Lowell G. Woods was originally elected chairman for 1957 but was transferred from the section before taking office. D. Sheldon Winn was elected by popular vote to replace him.

<sup>4</sup>James L. Jacobs was appointed director in 1957 to replace Floyd Iverson who resigned.

<sup>5</sup>Richard Huffman finished unexpired term of Kent Giles.

<sup>6</sup>Grant Rogers assumed duties of secretary when Bob Anderson was transferred to Monticello.

<sup>7</sup>John Hougard filled unexpired term of Thad Box

<sup>8</sup>Nick Cozakos served for Allan Adams as past president.

Table 6. Committee Chairmen, Utah Section of Society for Range Management, 1949-1978.\*

Year	Committee	Chairman
1949	Membership Program Nominations	Harold Burback L. A. Stoddart Lincoln Ellison
1950	Membership Program Nominations	Howard Clegg D. S. Winn Perry Plummer
1951	Membership Program	Ben Markham H. B. Passey
1952	Membership Program Publicity	C. W. Cook Perry Plummer Hugh Bryan
1953	Membership Program Nominations Publicity Newsletter Projects Constitution	Wayne Cook A. D. Smith Doug Henriques John Bradshaw Section Council Jerry Klomp Shelley Winn
1954	Membership Program Nominations Publicity Newsletter Projects Awards Constitution	Clark Anderson Hugh Bryan Wesley Keller Emer Tangren Section Council Grant Harris Selar Hutchings D. S. Winn
1955	Membership Program Nominations Publicity Newsletter Projects Awards Youth	Hugh Bryan Ward Huffman Wesley Keller Doug Henriques R. A. Roundy Hal Mickelson Nyles Humphrey Grant Harris
1956	Membership Program Nominations Publicity Projects Awards	Lowell Woods Odell Julander Mike Deming Val Richman D. L. Goodwin Kenneth Platt



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Year	Committee	Chairman
1957	Membership Program Nominations Publicity Projects Awards	Lamar Mason Odell Julander Ben Markham Val Richman D. L. Goodwin Kenneth Platt
1958	Membership Program Nominations Publicity Projects Awards History	Marcellus Palmer Selar Hutchings Wm. D. Hurst Wendell Keck D. L. Goodwin Ben Heywood Albert Albertson
1959	Membership Program Nominations Publicity Projects Scholarship	Jim Jacobs Kent Giles Keith Meyers Wendell Keck D. L. Goodwin L. A. Stoddart
1960	Membership Program Nominations Publicity Projects Youth Research Resolutions	Lamar Mason Dan Freed Wells Robins J. R. Allred Royal Holl (Conway Perry) Thad Box C. W. Cook L. A. Stoddart
1961	Membership Program Nominations Publicity Newsletter Projects Youth History Scholarship Research Resolutions	Grant Williams Norm Hancock D. L. Goodwin Wm. L. Reavely Max Robinson John Vallentine Thad Box Stan Colby Dan Freed C. W. Cook L. A. Stoddart

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Year	Committee	Chairman
1962	Membership Program	Dean Gardner
	Nominations	Nick Cozakos
	Publicity	D. S. Winn
	Newsletter	Julian Thomas
	Projects	Bob Anderson (Wendell Keck)
	Youth	Joe Murdock - Bill Leavell
	History	John Vallentine
	Scholarship	Stan Colby
	Research	Dan Freed
	Resolutions	D. L. Goodwin
		A. D. Smith
1963	Membership Program	J. Deloy "Dee" Hanson
	Nominations	A. C. Hull
	Publicity and Newsletter	D. S. Winn
	Projects	Jim Jacobs
	Awards	Hallie Cox
	Youth	Perry Plummer
	History	Odell Julander
	Scholarship	Stan Colby
	Research	L. A. Stoddart
	Resolutions	D. L. Goodwin
		C. W. Cook
1964	Membership Program	Bill Davis
	Nominations	Ben Heywood
	Public Relations and Newsletter	Dan Freed
	Projects	D. L. Goodwin
	Awards	J. B. Grumbles
	Youth	Perry Plummer
	History	Karl Parker
	Scholarship	A. D. Smith
	Research	L. A. Stoddart
	Resolutions	C. W. Cook
		H. E. "Mike" Jones
1965	Membership Program	Vern Hugie
	Nominations	Hallie Cox
	Publicity and Newsletter	A. C. Hull
	Projects	Neil West
	Youth	J. B. Grumbles
	History	Karl Parker
	Scholarship	A. D. Smith
	Research	Dan Freed
	Resolutions	C. W. Cook
		D. S. Winn

Table 6. Continued.

Year	Committee	Chairman
1966	Membership Program	Vern Hugie
	Nominations	Norm Hancock
	Publicity	Ben Heywood
	Newsletter	A. C. Hull
	Projects	J. B. Grumbles
	Youth	George Coltharp
	History	Karl Parker
	Scholarship	A. D. Smith (J. L. Jacobs)
	Research	J. B. Low
	Resolutions	Bill Laycock
		Odell Julander
1967	Membership Program	Ben Heywood
	Nominations	Nick Cozakos
	Publicity	Hallie Cox - Don Fulton
	Newsletter	Vern Hugie
	Projects	Homer Stapley
	Youth	J. B. Grumbles
	History	Karl Parker
	Scholarship	Lamar Mason
	Research	J. B. Low
	Resolutions	Bill Laycock
		Odell Julander
1968	Membership Program	Ben Heywood
	Nominations	J. B. Grumbles
	Publicity	Lester Fluckiger
	Newsletter	Joe Zylinski
	Projects	Jerry Thomas
	Youth	Karl Simonsen
	History	Glen Secrist
	Scholarship	Shelley Winn
	Research	Earl M. Christensen
	Resolutions	Bill Laycock
		Neil Frischknecht
1969	Membership Program	Bill Little
	Nominations	Joe Zylinski
	Publicity	Jim Bowns
	Newsletter	Buck Cuskelly
	Projects	Jerry Thomas
	Awards	Steve Hatch
	Constitution	Delmar Vail
	Youth	Neil Frischknecht
	History	Conway Parry
	Scholarship	Jim Jacobs
	Research	Dick Murdock
Resolutions	Paul Conrad	
	Ben Heywood	

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Year	Committee	Chairman
1970	Membership	Jack Hooper
	Program	Jim Butler
	Nominations	Jim Bowns
	Publicity	Karl Parker
	Newsletter	Jack Hooper - John Workman
	Awards	Lew Campbell
	Constitution	Neil Frischknecht
	Youth	Conway Parry
	History	Jim Jacobs
	Research	Paul Conrad
	Resolutions	Ben Heywood
1971	Membership	Carl Thurgood
	Program	Odell Frandson
	Publicity and Newsletter	Lamar Mason
	History	Jim Jacobs
1972	Membership	Carl Thurgood
	Program	Frank C. Shields - Ken Satterfield
	Nominations	Reed Christensen
	Publicity	Dick Weissert
	(Information and Education)	
	Newsletter	A. C. Hull
Youth	Karl Parker - Dee Ritchie	
1973	Membership	Ben Heywood
	Nominations	Thad Box
	Publicity and Newsletter	A. C. Hull and F. E. Busby*
	Awards	A. T. Fillingim
	Scholarship	Don Dwyer
	Resolutions	Cy McKell
1974	Nominations	Lynn James
	Publicity	Craig Whittekiend
	Newsletter	Jim Bowns
	Awards	Ned Madsen
	Youth	Dee Ritchie
	Resolutions	Lynn James

\* In 1973 both Fee and A.C. were listed as Newsletter Editors.

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Year	Committee	Chairman
1975	Membership	Merlin Bishop
	Program	Neil Frischknecht
	Nominations	Frank Jensen
	Publicity	Neil Frischknecht
	Awards	Karl Parker
	Youth	A. T. Fillingim
	Scholarship	Ben Wood
	Resolutions	Cy McKell
1976	Membership	Mike Ralphs
	Program	Chuck Birkemeyer
	Nominations	Jim Bowns
	Publicity	Lamar Mason
	Newsletter	F. E. Busby
	Projects	Frank Jensen
	Awards	Howard Clegg
	Constitution	Bruce Hronek - Frank Savage (Minutes at USU April 76)
	Youth	Louis Cervantes
	History	A. C. Hull
	Scholarship	Erwin Larson
	Resolution	Norman Hancock
	Energy	Warren Brough
	Off-road Vehicles	Phil Urness
	Predators	Dick Weissert
	Endangered Species	Ed Schlatterer
Land Use Planning	Cy McKell	
1977	Membership	Mike Ralphs
	Nominations	Neil Frischknecht
	Publicity	Jim Cook
	Newsletter	Fee Busby
	Projects	Lowell Decker
	Awards	Carl Thurgood
	Constitution	Dee Ritchie (Lynn James)
	Youth	A. T. Fillingim
	History	A. D. Smith
	Scholarship	Jack Brotherson
	Resolution	John Vallentine
	Energy	Paul Packer
	Off-road Vehicles	Joel Frandsen
Predators	Dick Weissert	
Endangered Species	Ed Schlatterer	

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Year	Committee	Chairman
1978	Membership	Dan Baird
	Program	Lamar Monroe
	Nominations	Chuck Birkemeyer
	Publicity	Clair Huff
	Newsletter	Bob Graves
	Projects	Frank Jensen
	Awards	Carl Thurgood
	Constitution	Bob Ferguson
	Youth	Jim Bowns
	History	A. D. Smith
	Scholarship	John Malechek
	Resolutions	John Vallentine
	Off-road Vehicles	Joel Frandsen
	Predators	Darwin Nielsen
Producer Affairs	Vern Wilson	

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\*Where additional names appear in parenthesis they indicate replacements for one reason or another.