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MONTANA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

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NATURAL RESOURCES AND AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

Place of Meeting: Room 402 in a.m. & Date Meeting Held: 2/1/72
Governor's Reception Room at 1:30. Hour Meeting Held: 10:10 a.m. &
1:30 p.m.
Committee Chairman: Louise Cross

MINUTES OF THE TENTH MEETING OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES AND AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

SUBJECT OF MEETING:

Roll Call:

Louise Cross, Chairman	Present
E. S. "Erv" Gysler, Vice Chairman	Present
John H. Anderson, Jr.	Present
Geoffrey L. Brazier	Present
Douglas Delaney	Present
A. W. Kamhoot	Present
Charles B. McNeil	Present
Donald Rebal	Present
Henry L. Siderius	Present

INTERESTED PERSONS TESTIFYING:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Occupation or Title</u>
Rep. George Darrow	Billings, Montana	Representative, Dist. 8
C. Louise Cross	Glendive, Montana	Delegate, District 3
Robert E. LeProuse	Anaconda Company	Dist. Forester
Cecil Garland	Lincoln, Montana	
Darlene L. Grove	Helena, Montana	
Mavis McKelvey	Missoula, Montana	Rep. League of Women Voters
William D. Tomlinson	Missoula, Montana	Representing Montana Wildlife Federation
C. B. McNeil	Polson, Montana	Delegate, District #17

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DISCUSSION:

Chairman Cross read her summary of the workings of this committee to date. She then turned the meeting over to Mr. Gysler for further work and organization of subcommittees.

Time of recess: 11:30 a.m.

AFTERNOON MEETING

Pursuant to recess, this committee met in joint meeting with the Bill of Rights Committee in the Governor's Reception Room at 1:30 p.m. The subject of this joint meeting was the Environment of the State of Montana.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman W. J. Dahood of the Bill of Rights Committee, who in turn introduced Louise Cross, Chairman of the Natural Resources and Agriculture Committee. He requested those persons wishing to testify to sign Witness Forms and welcomed guests at this hearing.

The first witness to testify was Representative George Darrow of Billings, Montana. He presented two proposals for consideration. (See Attachments Nos. 1 and 2) After questioning by committee members, he was excused and thanked by the Chairman.

Mrs. Louise Cross, Chairman of the Natural Resources and Agriculture Committee, then appeared as "a citizen of the state of Montana". She read her prepared statement to the committee. (See Attachment #3)

Mr. Robert E. LeProuse, an industrial forester with the Anaconda Company, was the next witness to appear. He passed out to the committee a booklet from the School of Forestry at the University of Montana and a copy of Resolutions passed at the fall meeting of the Montana Woodland Council at Billings. (See Attachment #4) He was questioned by committee members, then thanked and excused by the Chairman.

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At this time, the Committee had a ten minute recess.

Pursuant to recess, the committee resumed at 3:10 p.m.

Mr. Cecil Garland of Lincoln, Montana, appeared as the next witness. He gave the committee copies of three newspaper articles applicable to this meeting's subject and stated that he supported the proposals of Rep. Darrow. He was then thanked and excused by the Chairman.

Mrs. Darlene Grove of Helena, Montana, then read a citizen proposal presented by her and her husband. (See Attachment #5)

The next witness was Mrs. Mavis McKelvey of Missoula, who represented the League of Women Voters. Mrs. McKelvey presented (See Attachment #6) a prepared statement and answered some questions of committee members. She was thanked and excused by the Chairman.

Mr. William D. Tomlinson, representing the Montana Wildlife Federation, presented a statement from the University of Montana Wildlife Club. (See Attachment #7). He was thanked and excused.

Mr. C. B. McNeil, Delegate from District No. 17, spoke briefly in behalf of two proposals he has introduced, Nos. 20 and 21.

There being no further business, the joint hearing was adjourned.

Time of adjournment: 4:00 p.m.

C. Louise Cross
Chairman

Claine L. Rung
Secretary