## Proceedings of the Annual Meeting

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 $m T_{HE}$  one hundred sixty-first annual meeting of the American Antiquarian Society convened on the above date in Antiquarian Hall at Worcester, Massachusetts, at 10:50 A.M. with the following members present: Thomas Randolph Adams, Rodney Armstrong, Karl John Richard Arndt, Frederick Edward Bauer, Jr., Philip Charles Beals, James Franklin Beard, George Athan Billias, William Henry Bond, Kathryn Clark Buhler, Augustus George Bullock, Lyman Henry Butterfield, Roger Butterfield, Louisa Dresser Campbell, Lammot du Pont Copeland, John Whitin Curtis, Warren Gilbert Davis, Everett Lee DeGolyer, Jr., Henry Bowen Dewey, Ernest Stanley Dodge. Linwood Mandeville Erskine, Jr., David Hackett Fischer, Paris Fletcher, Malcolm Freiberg, Wendell Douglas Garrett, Milton Wheaton Hamilton, Archibald Hanna, Jr., George Laban Harding, Frank Leighton Harrington, Richard Barksdale Harwell, Richard Allen Heald, Richard Carney Higgins, Hudson Hoagland, Harold Hugo, Howard Bonar Jefferson, John Jeppson, 2nd, Cecelia Marie Kenyon, Edward Chase Kirkland, Russell Wallace Knight, Bertram Kimball Little, Nina Fletcher Little, Albert Edgar Lownes, Marcus Allen McCorison, Philip James McNiff, Keyes DeWitt Metcalf, Peter Shepard Morgan, Weld Morgan, Ray Nash, Kenneth Nebenzahl, Mary Gage Rice, Stephen Thomas Riley, Wallace Woodsome Robbins, Ivan Sandrof, Forrest Wilson Seymour, Stuart Capen Sherman, Clifford Kenyon Shipton, Lewis Morgrage Stark, Richard Charles Steele, Roderick Douglas Stinehour, Russell Murdock Stobbs, Robert Waring Stoddard, Roger Eliot Stoddard, James Robert Tanis, Milton Halsey Thomas, Charles van Ravenswaay, Michael Joseph Walsh, Nathaniel Wheeler, Walter Muir Whitehill, James Russell Wiggins, and Richard Samuel Wormser.

President Wiggins presided. The reading of the minutes of the meeting held April 18, 1973, was waived. President Wiggins reported the deaths of the following members:

Theron Johnson Damon April 25, 1973
Bernhard Knollenberg July 6, 1973
Samuel Flagg Bemis September 26, 1973

The report of the Council was presented by Mr. McCorison and, in the absence of Mr. Daniels, the Treasurer's report was presented by Mr. Bullock. Upon motion duly made and seconded it was

VOTED To approve the Treasurer's report.

The following persons were elected by ballot to membership in the Society with George Billias and Kenneth Nebenzahl acting as tellers: George William Hazzard, John Emerson Langdon, William Gerald McLoughlin, Jr., Clarence William Miller, Edgar Preston Richardson, Barnes Riznik, Maxwell Savelle, Lawrence Meredith Clemson Smith, and Arthur Bernon Tourtellot.

The report of the Nominating Committee was presented by Russell Stobbs as follows: President, James Russell Wiggins; Vice Presidents, Bernard Bailyn and John Jeppson, 2nd; Treasurer, Bruce Goddard Daniels; Recording Secretary, Linwood Mandeville Erskine, Jr.; Secretary for Domestic Correspondence, Clifford Kenyon Shipton; Secretary for Foreign Correspondence, Frank Leighton Harrington; Councillors, Walter Muir Whitehill, Keyes DeWitt Metcalf, Clifton Waller Bar-

rett, Robert Waring Stoddard, Bertram Wallace Korn, Everett Lee DeGolyer, Jr., Robert Bruce Hitchman, William Howard Adams, Howard Bonar Jefferson, Henry Schofield Streeter, Henry Bowen Dewey, Philip Charles Beals, and Cecelia Marie Kenyon.

Upon motion duly seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED To close the nominations and to instruct the Secretary to cast one ballot for the slate as nominated. This being done, the slate of officers and council members was declared elected.

A paper entitled 'Political Corruption Past and Present: The "Watergate" in Historical Perspective was presented by David Hackett Fischer.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 NOON to enjoy refreshments as the guests of Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Rice.

Linwood M. Erskine, Jr. Recording Secretary

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