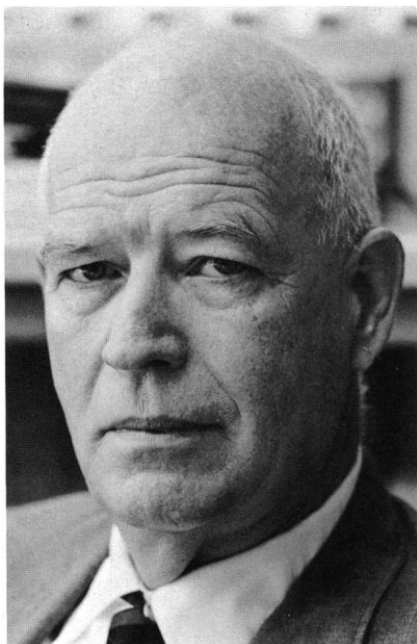


AIBS Officers for 1972



W. Frank Blair

The new AIBS president, W. Frank Blair, is a professor of zoology at the University of Texas in Austin. Dr. Blair went to Texas after leaving the University of Michigan where he had served as a research associate during the years 1936-46.

Born on 25 June 1912 in Dayton, Texas, Dr. Blair attended the University of Tulsa during his undergraduate years. He completed his master's work in 1935 at the University of Florida and received his doctorate from the University of Michigan in 1938. In 1944, he joined the Air Force as a private and was discharged as a First Lieutenant AUS in 1946.

Through the years, Dr. Blair has held many positions of leadership in a variety of societies and organizations. In 1963, he served as president of the Ecological Society of America, and in 1953 he was vice-president of the American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists. From 1966-69, he was a member of the advisory committee in the division of biology and medicine of the National Science Foundation. He is currently the chairman of the International Biological Program and program director of the Origin and Structure of Ecosystems Integrated Research Program of IBP. He is a past AIBS Governing Board Representative and is currently a member of the AIBS Executive Committee.

Dr. Blair is primarily interested in population genetics, the ecology and the speciation of mammals, reptiles and amphibians; mating call as an isolation mechanism in anurans; population dynamics of terrestrial vertebrates; and the biogeography of North America.



Robert W. Krauss

The new vice president of AIBS, Robert W. Krauss, brings to the organization both familiarity with the challenges and problems of the organization learned during his 5-year term as secretary-treasurer and an office near to AIBS headquarters at the University of Maryland in College Park. At Maryland, Dr. Krauss is professor of plant physiology and head of the department of botany. He has pursued a career in biology begun at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History in 1941, where he served as park naturalist during the summer recesses from Oberlin College. His studies were interrupted by service as a Lieutenant in the infantry and the Chemical Corps during World War II, after which he obtained an M.S. in botany from the University of Hawaii in 1949 and a Ph.D. from the University of Maryland in plant physiology in 1951. Moving through the professorial ranks from research associate to professor at the University of Maryland, he has held concomitant appointments in the division of plant biology, Carnegie Institution of Washington; the Coastal Studies Institute, Louisiana State University; The Marine Biological Laboratory at Woods Hole; the Chesapeake Biological Laboratory, and has served as a visiting scientist with the department of marine science, University of Puerto Rico.

A member of numerous scientific societies, Dr. Krauss has served as president of the Phycological Society of America, The Washington Botanical Society, the Washington area section of the American Society of Plant Physiologists, as well as of Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi at Maryland. He has served on the Council of AAAS and the Governing Board of AIBS for many years. He has also served in staff and consulting positions with the National Science Foundation,

the National Institutes of Health, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and the Office of Naval Research. He is currently a member of the Board of Directors of Educational Projects, Incorporated of Pittsburgh, and is chairman of the Editorial Board of the Journal, *Environmental Biology and Medicine*. He is currently serving as a special advisor to the administrator of NASA dealing with US/Soviet cooperation in space biology.

Dr. Krauss has pursued a scientific career devoted to studies of the physiology and biochemistry of the algae in both fresh water and marine environments. Authoring over 70 papers in this field, he has been awarded the Darbaker Prize of the Botanical Society of America and the Scientific Achievement Award of the Washington Academy of Sciences for his studies on algal metabolism and nutrition.



Richard Cowan

Richard Cowan has been elected to his fourth consecutive term as secretary-treasurer of AIBS for the calendar year 1972. Born on 23 January 1921 in Crawfordsville, Indiana, Dr. Cowan attended Wabash College where he received his A.B. in 1942. After service with the U.S. Navy during 1943-45, he resumed studies at the University of Hawaii, receiving an M.S. in 1948. He completed his formal academic training at Columbia University in 1952 with a Ph.D. in botany. While a graduate student at Columbia, he served as a technical assistant at the New York Botanical Garden becoming an assistant curator in 1952, a position he held until 1957.

In 1957, he joined the Museum of Natural History at the Smithsonian Institution, serving as associate curator in the Department of Botany until 1962. In that year, Cowan was selected as assistant director of the Museum of Natural History. He was appointed to his present position as director in 1965.

Other committee activities include membership on the Commission of the Organization Flora Neotropica, Advisory Committee for Flora North America, Advisory Committee of the Hunt Botanical Library, Organizing Committee for the 17th General Assembly of International Union of Biological Sciences, Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the Organization for Tropical Studies, Council of American Society of Plant Taxonomists, and Secretary of the National Committee for the XI International Botanical Congress.

Election to the AIBS Executive Committee

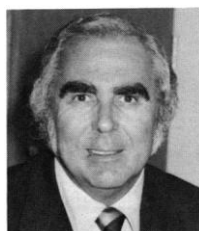
The Governing Board has elected David G. Frey, Professor of Zoology, Indiana University; Horace W. Norton, Professor of Statistical Design and Analysis, University of Illinois (Urbana); and George Sprugel, Jr., Chief, Illinois Natural History Survey to the AIBS Executive Committee to serve from 1 January 1972 through 31 December 1974.

Elections of Members-at-Large to the AIBS Governing Board

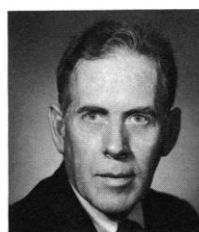
The membership of the AIBS has elected the five individuals listed below to serve on the Governing Board from 1 January 1972 through 31 December 1974.



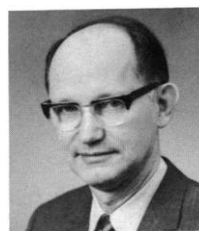
Ralph Baker
Professor of Botany and Plant Pathology
University of California, Berkeley



Martin D. Brown
Chairman, Division of Life Sciences
California State College



Edward S. Deevy, Jr.
Research Professor
Florida State Museum



Paul G. Pearson
Chairman, Dept. of Zoology, and
Director, Graduate Program of Zoology
University of Florida



Alfred S. Sussman
Professor of Botany and Associate Dean,
College of Literature, Science, and Arts
University of Michigan