

3. The Officers of the Botanical Section of the Tennessee Academy of Science shall be a Chairman and a Secretary.
4. The duties of the Chairman shall be to preside at all regular or called meetings of the Botanical Section, to call meetings of the Section at his discretion or at the behest of ten or more members of the Section, to appoint such committees as may seem wise, to arrange programs for meetings of the Section (or appoint committees to attend to this duty), and to attend to such other duties as usually pertain to the office of Chairman. In the absence of the Chairman at any meeting of the Section, the Botany Editor of the Journal of the Tennessee Academy of Science shall preside. If both the Chairman and the Botany Editor should be absent, the Chairman of the local committee of the Section shall preside.
5. The duties of the Secretary shall be to keep a roll of all members of the Tennessee Academy of Science that are also members of the Botanical Section, to keep a roll of members of the Botanical Section and visitors present at all meetings of the Section, to keep accurate minutes of all such meetings, to increase as much as possible membership in the Botanical Section by the members of the Tennessee Academy of Science, to try to bring into the Academy and into the Botanical Section all botanists and those interested in Botany in Tennessee and even other states. Thirty days before the regular annual meeting, the Secretary of the Section shall send a nomination ballot to each member of the Botanical Section. The results shall be presented to the Section for its use in the election of officers. The other duties of Secretary shall be those usually pertaining to the office.
6. The officers of the Botanical Section shall be elected annually and usually at the Thanksgiving meeting of the Section. In the absence of a meeting at this time the incumbent officers shall hold over until their successors have been elected. Election shall be by a majority of the votes cast.
7. A majority of the members present at the regularly announced meeting of the Section shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
8. By-laws may be amended or changed at any regular meeting of the Section by a majority vote of the members present, provided that an announcement of such intention has been mailed to each member of the Section at least one month before the meeting.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE JOURNAL OF THE TENNESSEE ACADEMY OF SCIENCE

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Once again it is the Editor's pleasure and privilege to report on his activities and on the condition of the Journal for the past year, 1936. As before this can perhaps be done best by tabulating the most important information. With this data (in the table below) has been placed for comparison, a summary for 1933, 1934, and 1935.

The Editor must confess that he has found it increasingly difficult to edit the Journal as it should be, secure advertisements, and collect for same, have reprints made and collected for, etc., in the leisure time at his disposal. This is in part due to the increased demands on his time by the task by which he earns his daily bread, the editing of the Journal being, of course, nonremunerative. Several means of

solving the problem have suggested themselves: (1) Give up the Editorship and let someone with more time and energy carry on.

TABLE 1

Cost and income, 1936, Journal of the Tennessee Academy of Science

Number of Journal	Total Pages	Printing Cost	Cost of Engravings	Total Cost	Income from Advert's	Net Cost to Academy
January.....	76	\$211.75	\$ 43.91	\$ 255.66	\$116.60	\$139.06
April.....	76	\$211.75	\$ 63.82*	\$ 275.57	\$107.60	\$164.35
July.....	76	\$211.75	\$ 24.38†	\$ 236.13	\$ 85.10	\$151.03
October.....	76	\$211.75	\$ 50.78‡	\$ 262.53	\$ 95.60	\$166.93
Total, 1936.....	304	\$847.00	\$182.89*	\$1029.89	\$404.90	\$621.37
Total, 1935.....	320	\$865.88	\$256.29†	\$1122.17†	\$395.30	\$636.20
Total, 1934.....	336	\$869.09	\$148.80‡	\$1017.69‡	\$332.25	\$572.68
Total, 1933.....	436	\$930.59	\$302.73°	\$1233.32°	\$303.75	\$548.04

* Less \$3.62 for engraving paid by State Dept. of Geology.

† Less \$90.67 paid by members towards publication.

‡ Less \$113.00 paid by members towards publication.

° Less \$381.50 paid by members towards publication.

The Editor was loath to even make this suggestion during the worst years of the depression. It looked too much like lying down on the job. Now that times are better, the suggestion is in better taste. (2) Continue as Editor but arrange to transfer portions of the work to the departmental editors and perhaps to a business manager. (3) Prepare guides for authors in order to lessen correspondence about the form of the paper. (4) Publish no papers or reports of officers received later than one month before the Journal is scheduled to appear. Other suggestions will be made a little later on. Have the members suggestions?