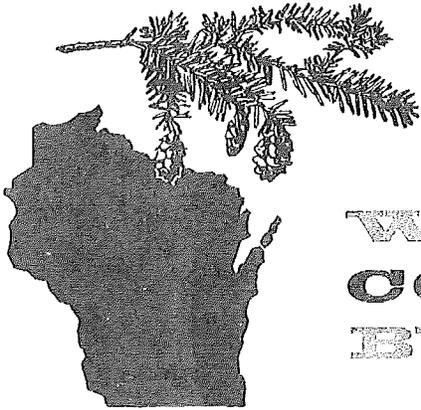


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Cover That's Ray Lensmeyer, Sturgeon Bay, with his 16-pound, 4-ounce rainbow trout. The fish was a Lake Michigan record—but maybe only temporarily, since chances are good that even bigger rainbows are out there.

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THE COMMAND CHANGES

The Wisconsin Conservation Commission and the Resource Development Board went out of existence July 1.

Replacing these policy-makers is the Natural Resources Board, which now guides the entire new Department of Natural Resources.

Changes in policy, if any, can be expected to be moderate, in the nature of evolution dictated by needs. Because all members of the Natural Resources Board are former members of the Conservation Commission and the Resource Development Board, they understand their

responsibilities and the problems involved, and they are interested in obtaining smooth continuity of accomplishment.

There will, however, be changes in organization. This is essential to eliminate duplication, effect coordination, and otherwise promote maximum efficiency when formerly separate agencies are welded together.

The Natural Resources Board has its history largely ahead, and it will be chronicled as it develops.

At this moment it is appropriate

to pay respect to the phased-out Conservation Commission and Resource Development Board.

The six-man commission was established in 1927 to reform abuses that had shown up in Wisconsin conservation, that were prevalent in other states, and that have continued to this day in some quarters.

Fierly young idealists of the 1920's who fought to set up the commission can rest easy. Their creation performed well. No other state conservation policy-making unit achieved more constructive



Memorize the name, NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD. This is the group of citizens now directing both conservation and resource development. Sitting, from left: Russell G. Lynch, Wauwatosa, chairman; Herbert F. Behnke, Shawano, secretary; Charles F. Smith, Wausau, vice-chairman. Standing: Gerard A. Rohlich, Madison; L. P. Voigt, the board's top administrator as secretary of the Department of Natural Resources; Arthur R. MacArthur, Janesville; Daniel K. Tyler, Phillips; John M. Potter, Wisconsin Rapids.

progress or earned more respect than did the Wisconsin Conservation Commission in the past 41 years.

The Resource Development Board, much younger than the Conservation Commission, performed creditably during its relatively brief history and laid much groundwork for its successor to build on.

Ideals of 1927 are with us yet, for the new Natural Resources Board is designed on the same principles as the commission and board it succeeds. It is an unpaid citizen board, its members serving overlapping terms to assure that programs will evolve in an orderly and waste-free manner. In effect, the Conservation

Commission and Resource Development Board live on in their successor.

Regrettably, six members of the former board and commission are missing from the new seven-man board.

Retirees from the Conservation Commission are Chairman James R. Smaby, La Crosse, and Guido Rahr, Manitowoc.

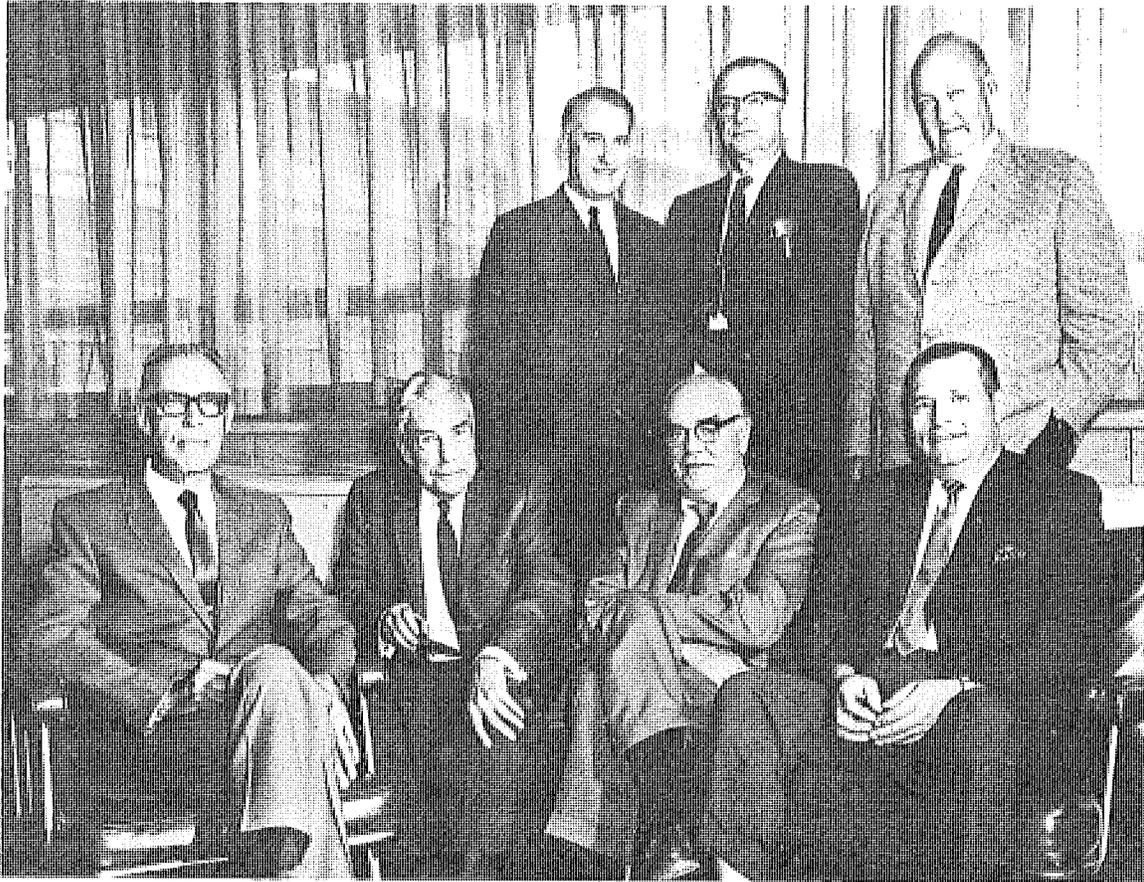
From the Resource Development Board: Richard W. Cutler, Milwaukee; John G. Strange, Appleton; Ralph F. J. Voigt, Merrill. O. J. Muegge, Madison, died recently.

All these men served with credit. One compiled a legendary record.

Guido Rahr gave 23 years of outstanding work to the Conservation

Commission—a fortune in donated time—while contributing generous financial support to the conservation causes he considered most deserving, particularly conservation education. His conservation activities won him numerous honors, including the National Conservationist of the Year award in 1966. Other conservationists have won more fame on the national scene, but few have done so much so well for their own state over so many years.

On the citizens who are retiring after contributing generous time and capable talent to the guidance of conservation and resource development, Wisconsin bestows a sincere "Well done—and thank you."



This is the last of the six-man Conservation Commissions that served Wisconsin well for 41 years, but now belong to history. Sitting: James R. Smaby, La Crosse, chairman; Charles F. Smith, Wausau; Guido Rahr, Manitowoc; Herbert F. Behnke, Shawano, secretary. Standing: L. P. Voigt, departmental secretary; Daniel K. Tyler, Phillips; Arthur R. MacArthur, Janesville.