

SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIPS

EBBA has two classes of membership, regular and sustaining. At the last Annual Meeting dues for regular membership were increased from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per year, while the dues for sustaining membership were not changed. Sustaining members have no privileges or responsibilities beyond those accruing to regular members but do have the satisfaction of contributing something more to the Association's budget, most of which is used for the publication of the News.

It begins to look to your Editor as though the time is not far distant when he will have to either become very selective of the material published or add more pages to the News. Readers with good memories will remember that it was planned to publish one or two biographies each month and also that maps showing the geographical distribution of our membership were to be published. These features have been eliminated from this issue because of lack of space. While the selection of material is a matter of judgment on the part of the Editor, and his judgment may often be bad, some choice must be made. For these reasons your Editor would prefer to increase the number of pages in the News, but the Association just can't afford it at the present time. In fact, it will be a very tight squeeze to continue the present form of the News for the full year.

It may now be apparent why the preceding paragraph was placed under the heading "Sustaining Memberships". If we can secure enough new members or enough sustaining members, we can afford to expand the size of the News. Ask another bander to join today, or if you can afford it and think that it is worth while, write to Treasurer Merrill Wood asking him to change your membership to the sustaining classification--enclosing, of course, the extra dollar.

STARLINGS

Dr. Paul H. Fluck of Lambertville, N.J., has an interesting project on Starlings. He paints the tails of the birds white, remarking that they are easy to pick out of a group of normal Starlings. B. S. Bowdish of Demarest captured six of these birds and turned them over to Dr. Fluck who gave them his identification treatment and released them at Lambertville. Two of them have been seen--one in Brooklyn and the other in Englewood, N.J., both places being more than 50 miles north of Lambertville. Dr. Fluck asks that any bander who can tell him of an accessible Starling roost within a hundred miles of Lambertville, which is in central western New Jersey, let him know so that more white-tailed Starlings can be sent on their conspicuous way.