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If this recognition should come to pass, it is hoped that more contributors will avail themselves of our facilities. Furthermore, if contributors would like reprints of their papers, it would seem quite likely that these could be obtained at moderate cost upon request.

Should it come to pass that EBBA NEWS would be regularly cited in various ornithological journals, it might prove desirable to restrict the first portion of each issue to more or less serious papers, with the latter part being devoted to notes and news, comments, and informal letters, all of which are features which we certainly want to continue. In other words, it is the belief of the Editor that original and significant contributions made in these pages should achieve proper recognition in so far as publication is concerned, yet at the same time he is mindful of the fact that many members like the relatively informal aspects of the publication.

If you have any comments concerning the above, we shall be very happy to have them. * * *

TWO ADDITIONAL SUSTAINING MEMBERS

Merrill Wood, reports that the following persons are to be added to the list of sustaining members for 1954:

Joseph A. Hines

Carl M. Montgomery