

NOTES AND NEWS

The Grayson painting reproduced in this issue shows a pair of Yellow Grosbeaks, native of Sinaloa, perched on a flowering silk-cotton tree, *Bombax ellipticum* (Family Bombacaceae).

This colored plate is presented through the generosity of W. J. Sheffler to whom the readers of *The Condor* are greatly indebted.

Dr. Robert W. Storer has recently joined the staff of the Museum of Zoology of the University of Michigan as Assistant Curator of Birds.

COOPER CLUB MEETINGS

SOUTHERN DIVISION

MARCH.—The regular monthly meeting of the Southern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held on March 29, 1949, at 145 Allan Hancock Hall, University of Southern California. The following names were proposed for membership: William M. Hughes, 8755 SW. Marine Dr., Vancouver, B.C., Canada, by Mary M. Erickson; Miss Adelia Mabe, 294 S. Wilson Ave., Pasadena 5, Calif., by Joe T. Marshall, Jr.; Dick Schonert, Rt. 6, Box 1364, Modesto, Calif., by W. L. Chambers; Walter Norton Schneider, 494-B 41st St., Oakland 9, Calif., by Paul F. Covel; Ashley Alvin Thornburg, Vetsville, Trailer J-10, Boulder, Colo., by Gordon Alexander; Clarence A. Barnes, 3742 Coldwater Canyon, No. Hollywood, Calif., Clayton Charlton Denman, 1751 Naomi Place, Seattle 5, Wash., C. Stuart Francis, Spruce Dale Farm, Torch River, Saskatchewan, Canada, William V. Garner, 447 E. Wadsworth, Philadelphia 19, Pa., Bess M. Hoffman, 1112½ S. Orange Dr., Los Angeles 35, Calif., John O. Johnson, 112 7th St., SW., Watertown, So. Dakota, Robert C. Kletzly, U.S.D.A. Bldg., Conservation Commission, Elkins, West Virginia, Charles Corbett Laing, 762 N. Van Buren St., Milwaukee 2, Wis., Jane S. Mengel, 20 E. Shore Dr., Whitmore Lake, Michigan, and Albert Roland Singleton, 3968 Marburg Ave., Cincinnati 9, Ohio, all by C. V. Duff.

Colored motion pictures of an interesting feeding behavior pattern in shoveller ducks and of animal life in the Yellowstone were shown by Mr. J. R. Pemberton and Mr. Melville N. Lincoln, respectively.—D. E. GRONER, *Secretary*.

NORTHERN DIVISION

MARCH.—The regular meeting of the Northern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held on Thursday, March 24, 1949, in Room 2503 Life Sciences Building, University of California,

Berkeley, California. The following names were proposed for membership: Ronald M. Murren, 2629 Maste St., Berkeley 4, Calif., by Lois C. Taylor; Herbert O. Hill, 2420 Ridge Road, Berkeley 9, Calif., by A. S. Leopold; Miss Elizabeth Polhemus, Dept. of Zoology, University of California, Berkeley 4, Calif., by R. A. Ronkin; and Joseph T. Herberger, 959 S. Downing, Denver 9, Colorado, by F. A. Pitelka.

Four reels of Kodachrome movies of common land and water birds of central California taken by Mr. Andrew Shirra Gibb were shown.—H. L. COGSWELL, *Secretary*.

APRIL.—The regular monthly meeting of the Northern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held on Thursday, April 28, 1949, in Room 2503 Life Sciences Building, University of California, Berkeley, California. The following proposals for membership were read: Mr. Darl E. Bowers, 1934 Virginia St., Berkeley, Calif., by Howard L. Cogswell; Harold C. Hedges, Rt. 2, Lake Quivira, Kansas City 3, Kans., by Chas. G. Sibley; Paul H. Johanson, 1285 Marion St., Kingsburg, Calif., by Frank A. Pitelka; Mrs. Marietta Voge, Dept. of Zoology, University of California, Berkeley 4, Calif., by Lois C. Taylor; and Mrs. William (Mary Elizabeth) Newton, 1082 Miller Ave., Berkeley 8, Calif., Mrs. Harold P. Henningsen, 124 Cambridge Way, Piedmont 11, Calif., Mrs. S. R. Bowman, 51 Marr Ave., Oakland, Calif., Mrs. Mark L. Hamlin, 6433 Oakwood Dr., Oakland 11, Calif., James B. Linford, 538 Fairbanks Ave., Oakland 10, Calif., and Mrs. George Neldam, 304 La Espiral, Orinda, Calif., all by Mrs. Junea W. Kelly.

An illustrated talk entitled "A Summer Trip to Alaska on the Alaskan Highway" was given by Mr. Fred L. Jones.—H. L. COGSWELL, *Secretary*.

GOVERNORS' MEETING

The 24th annual meeting of the Board of Governors of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held on April 8, 1949, at the University Club, 614 South Hope Street, Los Angeles, California. President Ed N. Harrison called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m., with the following members present: W. Lee Chambers, C. V. Duff, Dorothy E. Groner, W. C. Hanna, Ed N. Harrison, Hildergarde Howard, Junea W. Kelly, Alden H. Miller, R. T. Moore, H. R. Painton, J. R. Pemberton, Sidney B. Peyton, Frank A. Pitelka, Howard

Robertson, W. J. Sheffler, K. E. Stager, and S. F. Wood. Guests present were Lois C. Taylor and Stanley G. Jewett.

Minutes of the 23rd meeting were read and approved. The report of the Business Manager was submitted by W. Lee Chambers. A discussion of printing costs ensued. The report was accepted following a motion by Miller, seconded by Duff. On the motion of Moore, seconded by Pemberton, the business managers were extended a vote of thanks for able handling of the club's finances.

The report of the Auditing Committee was submitted by S. F. Wood, indicating the the accounts and securities of the Club were in order. This report was accepted on the motion of H. Robertson, seconded by Mrs. Kelly.

A. H. Miller presented the report of the editors of *The Condor*. Costs of publication have not increased over the previous year and are fractionally less. Noteworthy features of volume 50 were reviewed. It was emphasized that procurement of good papers continues to be a problem. Following Miller's statement, plans for the publication of reproductions of paintings by Andrew Jackson Grayson were described by F. A. Pitelka and Mrs. Lois C. Taylor. On the motion of Wood, seconded by Moore, the report of the editors was accepted.

It was suggested by W. Lee Chambers that the Club should initiate a policy of having its treasurer and business managers bonded. On the motion of H. Robertson, seconded by Painton, this suggestion was tabled.

On the motion of H. Robertson, seconded by Moore, President Harrison was directed to appoint a committee to study the by-laws with regard to revisions, need for which has been increasingly apparent.

Mrs. Junea W. Kelly was elected as alternate representative on the Council of the American Ornithologists' Union. Results of election of officers were as follows: president, E. N. Harrison; vice-president, Frank A. Pitelka; secretary, Kenneth E. Stager; editor, A. H. Miller. On the motion of H. Robertson, seconded by Moore, A. H. Miller was authorized to appoint such editorial associates as required.

Adjourned.—FRANK A. PITELKA, *Secretary*.

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

The first session of the annual business meeting of the Cooper Ornithological Club was called to order by President Alden H. Miller at 10:10 a.m., Friday, April 8, in the lecture hall of the Los Angeles County Museum, Exposition Park, Los

Angeles, California. The minutes of the last business meeting, held in Asilomar in May, 1948, were read and approved. The President appointed the following committees: Committee to examine proxies, Kenneth E. Stager, chairman, Sidney B. Peyton and J. R. Pemberton; committee to present nominations for the Board of Directors, W. Lee Chambers, chairman, Stanley Jewett and Robert W. Storer.

As there was to be no meeting of the Southern Division in April, the following proposals for membership were read: Clifford James MacFayden, 816 Duplex Ave., Toronto 12, Ontario, Canada, and Reverend Edward Cronin Greer, 422 East 10th St., Davenport, Iowa, both by C. V. Duff; E. J. Wellington, 11711 Ohio Ave., Los Angeles 25, by W. Lee Chambers; and John J. Cleary, 2806 Glen Ave., Altadena, by Mary M. Erickson. The first session was then adjourned.

The second session of the annual business meeting was called to order in the lecture hall of the Los Angeles County Museum by President Miller at 9:50 a.m., April 9, 1949. Mr. Stager, reporting for the proxy committee, stated that of the 1307 members eligible to vote at this time, 666 were represented by proxies. Sixty members were present in person. A quorum was declared present.

Dr. Miller called upon C. V. Duff to give a report for the business management. After indicating the sound financial condition of the Club, Mr. Duff said that by continuing to build the membership we may be assured of continuing success and suggested that each member present endeavor to get at least one new member. He brought out the need for more life memberships and indicated that these may be purchased in four annual payments. Mr. Duff further stated that owing to the generosity of certain members of the Club, money is now available for publication of two more Grayson plates in the *Condor*. He expressed the hope that in response to the letter which all members are about to receive relative to the Grayson plates, it would be possible to print several more.

Mr. Chambers, reporting for the nominating committee, proposed names of the following persons for membership on the Board of Directors: C. V. Duff, W. I. Follett, Ed N. Harrison, Hildegarde Howard, Jean M. Linsdale, Alden H. Miller, J. R. Pemberton, Sidney B. Peyton, and Kenneth E. Stager. It was moved, seconded and carried that the nominations be closed and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the nominees.

Adjourned.—HILDEGARDE HOWARD, *Secretary*.