

NOTES AND NEWS

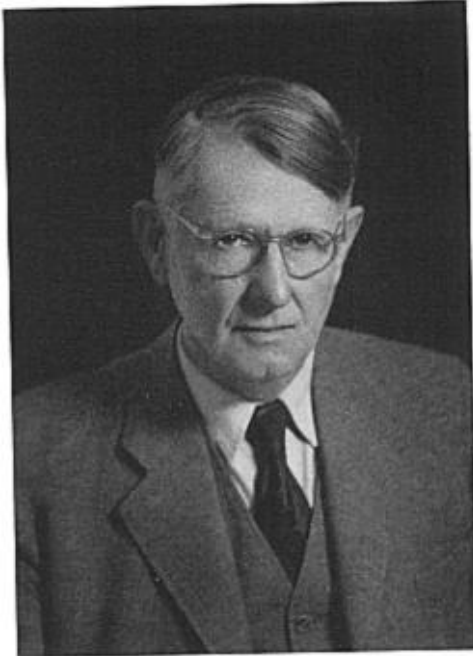


Fig. 13. Robert B. Moran, member of the Cooper Club since June 9, 1897.

The twenty-first Annual Meeting of the Cooper Ornithological Club will be held at Asilomar in the Monterey area on April 14, 15 and 16, 1950. Meetings at Asilomar are characterized by informality and exceptional opportunity for members to become acquainted and to talk of their interests in birds. The costs at Asilomar are very reasonable and should make it easy for members to attend. A major purpose of the Annual Meetings is to develop a scientific program. You are urged now to begin planning a contribution to the program. The committee on arrangements will issue a call for papers and a request for individual reservations at Asilomar about March 1.

The Guatemalan Ivory-billed Woodpecker (*Phloeocastes guatemalensis dorsofasciatus* Moore) which Grayson encountered in Sinaloa was known locally as Pito Real. The specimens on which he based the painting reproduced in this issue were taken on November 1, 1864, at Barone on the Río Mazatlán. All those shown in the group are females; the males are portrayed in a separate drawing less perfectly designed.

Grayson writes: "I have generally found this

woodpecker among large forests or seeking its food high up upon decayed trees and sometimes even green ones when such a tree becomes infected with the wood cutting worm or borer." These are "its general food and the perserverance and industry it exhibits ferreting out with its powerful wedge-shaped bill these destructive insects from the tough wood common to the country, is very interesting to behold. The termite . . . is also a favorite food . . . Its habits are something like the Ivorybill of the southern states, to which it seems to be allied . . . I have always found it alone, excepting in the breeding season."

The frontispiece of the Ivory-billed Woodpecker is presented through the generosity of Jean Delacour, Edgar S. Roth, and Mr. and Mrs. Otto J. Zahn.

The Tenth International Ornithological Congress, to be held at Uppsala, Sweden, from June 10 to 17, 1950, is open to persons of all countries interested in any phase of ornithology. Several excursions based on Lund are planned for the period June 3 to 9 before the sessions, and others departing from Uppsala, June 20 to July 3, following the meetings. Dr. Alexander Wetmore, Secretary, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., is President, and Prof. Sven Hörstadius, Zoologiska Institutionen, Uppsala, Sweden, Secretary, for the Congress. To insure quarters and place on the excursions, applications for registration should be addressed before February 28, 1950, to Tenth International Ornithological Congress, Uppsala, Sweden.

COOPER CLUB MEETINGS

NORTHERN DIVISION

OCTOBER.—The regular meeting of the Northern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held on Thursday, October 6, 1949, at the University of California, Berkeley, California. The following names were proposed for membership: Herbert Girton Deignan, Smithsonian Institution, Washington 25, D.C., by Alden H. Miller; Gilbert Greenwald, 2411 Bowditch St., Berkeley 4, Calif., by Howard L. Cogswell; Mrs. Mabel Holtz Petrishin, 1465 21st Ave., San Francisco, Miss Florence B. Stanton, P.O. Box 738, Berkeley, Calif., Mrs. Ernest Koch, 1188 Dolores St., San Francisco 10, Calif., and Mr. J. Ross McFadyen, 2510 Bancroft Way, Berkeley

4, Calif., all by Mrs. Junea W. Kelly, the last named as a sustaining member. The proposals to elect John McB. Robertson, J. R. Pemberton, and Stanley G. Jewett to honorary membership were re-read; it was voted unanimously so to elect each of these men.

Mr. C. A. Harwell spoke on "The Birds of the Churchill Area, Manitoba" and showed color motion pictures which he took there during the past summer.—HOWARD L. COGSWELL, *Secretary*.

NOVEMBER.—The regular monthly meeting of the Northern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held at the University of California, Berkeley, on November 3, 1949, at 8:00 p.m. A resolution was adopted expressing regret at the death of Henry Ward Carriger. The following proposals for membership were read: Mrs. Karl W. Onthank, 1653 Fairmount Blvd., Eugene, Ore., by Gordon W. Gullion; Donald James Burdick, 1148 Martin Ave., San Jose 11, Calif., by Charles G. Sibley; Archie Stanton Mossman, Museum of Vertebrate Zoology, University of California, Berkeley 4, Calif., by Howard L. Cogswell; Edwin Philip Pister, Bowles Hall, University of California, Berkeley 4, Calif., by S. Kent Carnie; and Mrs. Charles B. Andrews, High Bridge, New Jersey, Harry B. Goldstein, 5939 Addison St., Philadelphia 43, Pa., Mrs. Osborne Mitchell, Streetsville, R. R. 1, Ontario, Canada, and Jason Alison Walker, 89 Church St., Waterloo, N.Y., all by Junea W. Kelly.

Junea W. Kelly reviewed Maurice Broun's "Hawks Aloft," and James Fisher's "Bird Recognition." Seth Bailey reported a Red-bellied Hawk between Stinson Beach and Olema on October 16. Lawrence Curl reported an Osprey at Stinson Beach on the same date.

Charles G. Sibley gave a talk entitled "A Wyoming Field Trips," illustrated with Kodachrome slides and motion pictures.—HOWARD L. COGSWELL, *Secretary*.

DECEMBER.—The regular monthly meeting of the Northern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held at the University of California, Berkeley, on December 1, 1949. The following proposals for membership were read: Dr. Prentis T. Burtis, 2500 Edwards Ave., El Cerrito, Calif., by S. Kent Carnie; Richard Bailey, 2226 Blake St., Berkeley 4, Calif., by Junea W. Kelly; Miss Evelyn Van Scyoc, 2940 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco 9, Calif., and Miss Florence Plymell, 1865 California St., San Francisco 9, Calif., by

Mrs. Vee K. Curtis. Mrs. Kelly named the following as a nominating committee for officers for the Northern Division for 1950: Alden H. Miller, John Chattin and W. I. Follett.

Gordon Gullion reported seven Starlings in El Cerrito on November 25. Cogswell reported a Solitary Vireo singing from a willow thicket near San Pablo Reservoir on November 27.

Alden H. Miller gave a talk entitled "New Bird Acquaintances in Colombia," illustrated with Kodachrome slides of the upper Magdalena Valley and adjacent mountains and with specimens.—HOWARD L. COGSWELL, *Secretary*.

SOUTHERN DIVISION

NOVEMBER.—The regular monthly meeting of the Southern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held on November 29, 1949, at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles. The following names were proposed for membership: C. B. Edwards, Box 105, Jamul, Calif., by L. M. Huey; Ruth E. Ernsberger, 302-G Groves St., China Lake, Calif., and Donald W. Moore, Fleming House, Cal. Tech., 1301 E. California St., Pasadena 4, Calif., by Wm. R. Fish; William M. Rubey, 16 Westwood Dr., Washington 16, D.C., by John McB. Robertson; Roland D. Walters, Box 148, La Sierra College, Arlington, Calif., by A. H. Miller; Frank C. Winter, 210 W. 7th St., Los Angeles 14, Calif., by Harold Michener; Mrs. La Prella Edens, 4415 W. 5th St., Los Angeles 5, Calif., and Robert L. Pyle, 851 Malcolm Ave., Los Angeles 24, Calif., by D. E. Groner; Elizabeth B. Hone, 633½ N. Friends Ave., Whittier, Calif., John Francis McClure, 7050 N. Oatman, Portland 17, Ore., and Francis Harold Rudkin, Jr., 458 Fillmore St., Fillmore, Calif., by Sidney B. Peyton; Richard H. Adelson, 34 Wensley Dr., Great Neck, Long Island, N.Y., Mary A. Bennett, Western Illinois State College, Macomb, Ill., Lois Garrett, 1709 Chestnut St., Kenova, West Va., Frederick Greeley, 1121 Rutledge St., Madison 3, Wis., William C. Grimm, Pocono Lake, Penn., Lawrence I. Grinnell, 710 Tripphammer Rd., Ithaca, N.Y., A. M. Guhl, Dept. of Zoology, Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kan., Donald Crosby MacBrine, 2730 S. Normandie, Los Angeles 7, Calif., and Fred P. Roullard, Fresno State College, Fresno 4, Calif., all by C. V. Duff.

Two colored motion pictures, "Fine Feathers" and "Bird Migration," were shown, followed by informal discussion.—DOROTHY E. GRONER, *Secretary*.