

MacGibbon, and O. J. Walker; Messrs. D. E. Cameron, E. Stansfield, H. P. Mullet, and B. J. Mair.

July 10 and 11—Professor Strickland (the only repeat); Messrs. R. B. Sandin, G. F. K. Buckley, J. Lehmann, W. H. Kutz, A. Mail, A. Revell, L. Wise; Messrs. F. L. Farley and A. Twomey, both from Camrose.

Although this account of our banding is strictly a record of failure rather than of achievement, we can confidently look forward to returns of a particularly valuable kind, for all the birds were banded as young, i. e., at the beginning of their life's journey as well as of their first migration, in one season and from a single colony. Although we fell short of even seven thousand, it is a useful number, for a four per cent return may legitimately be expected from gulls. Our first distance record (about 30 have since come in) is in itself sufficiently remarkable for on July 14—two days after we had banded the last of them—No. 446128, (one of the first five thousand), was picked up near Tioga, N. D., crippled. On June 24 there was not a chick in the marsh that could fly. Not one was as advanced as the largest non-fliers handled on the second trip. No. 446128 could not have been a-wing for two weeks, yet it had covered nearly 600 miles of its long trip to the southern hemisphere, a truly noteworthy performance.

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## PROCEEDINGS OF THE WILSON ORNITHOLOGICAL CLUB

### Thirteenth Annual Meeting

The Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the Wilson Ornithological Club was held at Chicago, Illinois, on Friday and Saturday, November 26-27, 1926. The Inland Bird Banding Association met at the same time and place in conjunction with the W. O. C. During the day the sessions were held in the lecture room of the Chicago Academy of Sciences; on Friday evening a session was held in Fullerton Hall of Chicago Art Institute especially for the public, though all sessions were open to the public. On Saturday the annual banquet was held at the Parkway Hotel. On the following day, Sunday, two parties were formed by those who remained over the week-end; one group assembled at the Field Museum of Natural History; another group visited the new sanctuary, located on reclaimed ground, which is now a part of Lincoln Park.

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### THE CHICAGO PROGRAM

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1926

Forenoon Session, 9:30 O'clock.

*Lecture room of the Chicago Academy of Sciences.*

Address of Welcome. Dr. Henry C. Cowles, President of the Chicago Academy of Sciences.

In extending a cordial welcome to the Academy Dr. Cowles referred to the fact that the Wilson Ornithological Club held its initial meeting in the same room just thirteen years ago.

Response in behalf of the Wilson Ornithological Club and the Inland Bird Banding Association. William I. Lyon.



GROUP AT THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL W. O. C. MEETING, AT CHICAGO

KEY TO GROUP PICTURE: 1, Sherman Coryell. 2, Dr. Alfred Lewy. 3, Mrs. Alfred Lewy. 4, Robert Lewy. 5, Chresswell J. Hunt. 6, Mrs. H. C. Miller. 7, Mrs. W. D. Richardson. 8, Mrs. Howell. 9, C. W. G. Eifrig. 10, O. M. Schantz. 11, Wm. I. Lyon. 12, Benj. T. Gault. 13, Lynds Jones. 14, T. C. Stephens. 15, A. F. Garner. 16, F. C. Lincoln. 17, S. Prentiss Baldwin. 18, Herbert W. Brandt. 19, George Finley Simmons. 20, W. N. Keck. 21, Weir R. Mills. 22, Edward Komarek. 23, Harold C. Wilson. 24, F. W. Rapp. 25, Ruthven Deane. 26, Frank Grassett. 28, Clifford Dorsey. 29, L. Ernil Butler. 30, Mrs. Ruthven Deane. 31, S. E. Perkins III. 32, Wm. Youngworth. 33, Mrs. H. L. Baldwin. 34, Russel Lee Walp. 36, F. H. Lett. 37, Mrs. A. L. Feser. 38, Mrs. E. T. Barody. 39, Oscar P. Allert. 40, Belle Wilson. 42, Dorothy Vent. 43, Catherine A. Mitchell. 44, Marjorie Ruth Ross. 46, Emeline C. Bates. 48, Mrs. S. H. Adams. 49, Mrs. C. Bretsch. 50, Mrs. Thos. Cox. 51, Mrs. W. E. Trainer. 52, Mrs. F. H. Pattee. 54, Helena Wolftman. 55, Mrs. C. O. Decker. 56, Emeline Lutz. 57, F. H. Pattee. 58, Clarence Bretsch. 59, Mrs. Anna M. Neu. 60, Chas. G. Pickett. 61, C. O. Decker. 62, J. W. Magann. 63, Mrs. C. G. Pickett. 64, Mrs. Hiram Towns. 65, J. W. Stack. 66, Warner Taylor. 67, C. W. Melcher. 68, Wm. G. Fargo. 69, M. M. Smith. 70, Pierce Brodtkorb. 71, Mrs. C. W. Melcher. 72, A. Sidney Hyde.

1. Intensive Bird Study at Riverside Park. S. E. Perkins III, Indianapolis, Indiana. (Chart).

Intensive observations over an eight-acre area revealed an average of twelve nests per acre. Sixty-four species were found during the year. Fifty-five nests were found in June, twenty-six in July. Ninety-eight fledglings were banded; ninety escaped unbanded. The author's only returns from the Gulf States were birds which had been banded as fledglings.

2. Some Notes on the Junco. Mrs. F. W. Commons, Tanager Hill Station, Crystal Bay, Minnesota.
3. Trapping the Shorebirds. Clarence S. Jung, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Work with the shorebirds was instituted by Herbert L. Stoddard. An attempt was made with a common sparrow trap, but it was discarded as useless. Next day, however, it contained two sandpipers. It is now suggested that a sparrow trap with funnel at both ends be used, thus getting the birds from both directions. A line of netting, two or three inches high, may extend for several feet outward from the trap entrance, thus effecting a very large funnel. Many shorebirds have been trapped by this method especially the Least, Semipalmated, and Spotted Sandpipers. Of eight Spotted Sandpipers banded in one afternoon, six, when released swam under water for a short distance, then arose to use the wings in flight.

4. The Home Life of the Turkey Vulture. Russel Kempton, Richmond, Indiana. (Read by P. B. Coffin).

The female bird makes the "nest" by breaking bits of decayed wood from the walls of the cavity. Nest did not become foul.

5. Developing a District. Mrs. H. C. Miller, Racine, Wisconsin.

There are many methods of arousing interest in birds and their study by the banding method. It is a problem of organization.

Afternoon Session, 1:30 O'clock.

*Lecture room of the Chicago Academy of Sciences.*

6. Banding Franklin's Gulls in Alberta. William Rowan, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. (Read by S. E. Perkins III). This paper appears in full in this number.
7. A Thermo-couple Device for Recording Nest Activities. S. Prentiss Baldwin, Cleveland, Ohio.

In order to secure a complete record of the movements of the parent birds at several nests simultaneously an instrument known as a thermo-couple was devised. A network of wires was placed in the body of the nest before the eggs were laid. The slightest change of temperature affecting the wires caused a flow of electric current to an automatic recording needle. The record sheet would then show the length of time the old bird was on or off the nest. This device keeps a complete and continuous record throughout the twenty-four hours of day and night. A roll of paper about sixty feet in length is necessary for the record of the usual three weeks of nest activities before the hatching.

8. The Mentality of the Crow. William Brewster Taber, Jr., Kansas, Illinois. (Read by C. S. Jung). This paper appears in full in this number.
9. The Voyage of the Blossom. George Finlay Simmons, Cleveland, Ohio. (Lantern slides).

This intensely interesting narrative of the long voyage of this small sailing vessel, about two-thirds of the size of the Santa Maria under Columbus, was one of the features of the meeting. The speaker defined adventure as "misfortune happening to someone else a great way from home." Starting from the Atlantic coast the cruise of the Blossom led through the Sargasso Sea, to the Cape Verde Islands, south along the coast of Africa, stopping at Ascension, and St. Helena, thence across the Atlantic Ocean to the east coast of Brazil. The story of the trip is to be told in book form.

10. The Gull, Tern, Heron, and Cormorant Campaign. William I. Lyon, Waukegan, Illinois.

This was a narrative account which was published in substance in the last issue of the Bulletin.

11. Trapping Ducks in the Bear River Marshes of Great Salt Lake, Utah. F. C. Lincoln, U. S. Biological Survey Washington, D. C. (Lantern slides).

The Bear River marshes probably provide the largest duck breeding area in the United States, although there are larger ones in Canada. There is also a colony of Snowy Herons in this region. Trapping operations were carried on here, and as many as 300 ducks (mostly Redheads) were trapped and banded in one day. The alkali flat near Bear River becomes very hot in summer, and great cracks appear. Seeds and insects blown by the wind, accumulate in these cracks, and become saturated with the free alkali. Later ducks are poisoned by eating this alkali-soaked material. Thousands of ducks die from this cause, many more doubtless recover. The remedy seems to lie in preventing this strong alkali concentration. A dam across the Bear River would probably accomplish this. The sick ducks recover if placed in fresh water. Of the ducks banded in 1926, forty-three returns had been reported up to November 25, 1926. These returns came from Wyoming, Colorado, Kansas, Texas, Idaho, Montana, California, Nevada, and one came in October from Minnesota. These returns are interesting in showing that the Bear River marshes of Utah are a source of supply of ducks throughout the greater portion of the west.

Evening Session, 8:00 O'clock.

*Fullerton Hall in the Chicago Art Institute.*

12. Introductory Address. Lynds Jones, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.

Dr. Jones presented a general historical account of American ornithology, including, at the end, a brief account of the origin of the Wilson Ornithological Club and other enterprises of the eighties and nineties.

13. The Life History of the House Wren as Worked Out in a Bird Research Laboratory. S. Prentiss Baldwin, Cleveland, Ohio.

Observations are made without the use of blinds. Eggs and young are handled frequently, and are even carried from the nest to the laboratory for weighing. Males are usually in excess of females, and they arrive first in the spring. He builds a nest but no lining is put in until a mate is secured. After acquaintance is established the watchers can distinguish the individuals of a pair, not by color, but by actions. The female does not allow the male in the nest after the eggs are laid. Under these circumstances the male quite often picks up another mate and starts a new household. After the first brood is hatched the female may succeed in turning them over to the care of the parent male, while she becomes interested in the supernumerary males, these facts being easily determined by the numbered bands on the birds. The young birds are banded with safety on the eighth day, having by that time reached their full size.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1926

Forenoon Session, 9:30 O'clock.

*Lecture room of the Chicago Academy of Sciences.*

14. Wild Life Areas for the Protection of Birds and Mammals. Gordon Wilson, State Teachers College, Bowling Green, Kentucky.

A discussion of the sanctuary idea with special attention to local work.

15. Our Changing and Vanishing Bird Habitats. C. W. G. Eifrig, River Forest, Illinois.

A description of seven or eight natural bird haunts in various parts of the country which have succumbed to modern development.

16. A Big Day for the Quartette. W. M. Rosen, Ogden, Iowa. (Read by Miss Catherine A. Mitchell).

An account of a full day's field work in which a very large list of birds was secured, including some rare ones for the locality.

17. Bird Life in the Yukon Delta. Herbert W. Brandt, Cleveland, Ohio. (Lantern slides).

A fascinating narrative of travel and bird study in a far off corner of our western hemisphere. The locality described was 300 miles north of the tree limit, where the Eskimos are at home. Shorebirds were abundant here, including sandpipers, phalaropes, and turnstones. Eider Ducks, Pintails, the Black Scoter, the Emperor Goose, Loons, Ptarmigan, various gulls, and the American Rough-legged Hawk were observed. Pictures of many species, made under difficult conditions, added greatly to the interest of this hour's lecture.

18. Birds of the West Coast of Ireland. Benj. T. Gault, Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

Mr. Gault has recently returned from a sojourn of two years in Ireland, during which time he took advantage of every opportunity to study the bird life, especially along the coast. He became interested particularly in the Puffin, Lesser Black-backed Gull, Fulmar Raven, Hooded Crow, etc.

Afternoon Session, 1:30 O'clock.

*Lecture room of the Chicago Academy of Sciences.*

19. The Yellow-crowned Night Heron as a Summer Resident. Albert F. Ganier, Nashville, Tennessee.
20. Bird Study from an Automobile. Lynds Jones, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio. This paper is published elsewhere in this issue.
21. The Wilson Club Endowment Plan. Albert F. Ganier, Nashville, Tennessee.
22. Wild Life in the Land o' Lakes of Wisconsin. Owen J. Gromme, Public Museum, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. (Motion pictures).

One reel depicted the home life of a number of common birds, such as the Kingfisher, the Red-winged Blackbird, etc. Another reel gave glimpses of the Turkey Vulture and several hawks. The pictures of the Loon at its nest were, however, the most unusual and attractive. It is probable that the Loon has never before been so successfully photographed.

23. Catching Chimney Swifts and the Results. Herbert L. Stoddard, Beachton, Georgia. (Motion pictures).

An account of remarkable results in trapping and banding a single species. It is comparatively easy to capture Chimney Swifts in quantity by placing traps over chimneys in which they are roosting. Considerable improvement has been made in the construction of these traps with the experience of several years. In 1924 only 74 Chimney Swifts were banded; in 1925 the number banded was increased to 2,264; while 3,530 were banded in 1926. From one chimney alone 856 were trapped and banded. Apparently the birds do not follow a definite line of movement. One of the 1924 swifts was captured in New Hampshire; another which was banded in 1925 was retaken in Massachusetts. A swift banded in Florida in August was retaken in Georgia in September. They may even travel somewhat northward in their fall movement.

Evening Session and Dinner, 6:30 O'clock.

*Egyptian Room of the Parkway Hotel.*

Annual Dinner of the Wilson Ornithological Club, with the Inland Bird Banding Association.

Exhibition of the motion pictures made by Norman McClintock, of Pittsburg, at Larchmound, the home of Robert Ridgway, near Olney, Illinois. The pictures were explained by O. M. Schantz.

Following this a number of persons were called upon informally for remarks. Reference was made to the absent founders and honorary members, and the officers were asked to send greetings to these gentlemen in behalf of the Club.

**BUSINESS SESSION.** During the regular program sessions on Saturday, November 27, the following committees were appointed:

Committee on Nominations: C. W. G. Eifrig, Chairman, Warner Taylor, Herbert W. Brandt.

The thirteenth regular business session was called to order at 5:00 P. M., November 27, 1926, with President A. F. Ganier in the Chair. Miss Marjorie Ruth Ross was appointed Secretary *pro tempore*.

The Endowment Committee, consisting of V. C. Bonesteel, Chairman, O. M. Schantz, and Clarence Bretsch, offered a report through Mr. Bretsch. The Committee recommended that (a) the Wilson Ornithological Club become incorporated, (b) that a campaign to raise a permanent endowment fund be inaugurated at the earliest possible time, (c) that such funds, when collected, be deposited with a corporate trustee under a trust agreement to be approved by the Club. These recommendations were adopted. The Committee also presented for approval a proposed trust agreement. This agreement was adopted as presented, with the exception of a clause relating to certain geographical limitation; and the Committee was instructed to re-write the document with the alteration. Some members misapprehended, perhaps, the intent of the original wording; it was not intended to limit the "dissemination of knowledge" nor the distribution of the magazine, but only the disposition of the fund itself in case the W. O. C. should become defunct. The re-written document is printed in full below.

The officers were instructed to make arrangements for life membership, drawing up, if necessary, an amendment to the Constitution.

The Committee on Nominations presented the following report:

For President—Lynds Jones.

For Vice-President—Thomas H. Whitney.

For Treasurer—J. W. Stack.

For Secretary—Howard K. Gloyd.

For Councilors—P. B. Coffin, Dr. Alfred Lewy, Chreswell J. Hunt, Clarence Bretsch, A. F. Ganier.

The report of the Committee was unanimously adopted, and the gentlemen named were declared the elected officers for the ensuing year



THE NEW TREASURER  
J. W. STACK

HOWARD K. GLOYD, *Secretary*.

## THE REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE AT THE CHICAGO MEETING

From the DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Frederick C. Lincoln, Washington. From PENNSYLVANIA: Marjorie Ruth Ross, State College. From GEORGIA: Herbert L. Stoddard, Beachton. From TENNESSEE: L. P. Bellah, Edwin B. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Ganier, Nashville. From MINNESOTA: Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Commons, Minneapolis. From MICHIGAN: Wm. G. Fargo, Jackson; F. W. Rapp, Vicksburg; M. M. Smith, Negaunee; Prof. J. W. Stack, East Lansing; Mr. and Mrs. Edw. R. Ford, Grand Rapids. From INDIANA: Mrs. Wm. C. Gardner, Mrs. Robert Geddes, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Perkins III, Indianapolis; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bretsch, Gary; Patrique Menigue Hogan, Williamsburg; Henry A. Pershing, South Bend. From OHIO: S. Prentiss Baldwin, Herbert W. Brandt, Mr. and Mrs. George Finlay Simmons, Cleveland; Russell Lee Walp, Youngstown; Prof. Lynds Jones, Oberlin. From IOWA: O. P. Allert, McGregor; Prof. Charles Reuben Keyes, Mount Vernon; Weir R. Mills, Pierson; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Nelson, Des Moines; William Youngworth, T. C. Stephens, Sioux City. From WISCONSIN: O. J. Gromme, Clarence S. Jung, Mrs. Hiram Towns, Milwaukee; Prof. Warner Taylor, Harold C. Wilson, Madison; Mrs. H. C. Miller, Clarke C. Miller, Racine; Prof. Warren N. Keck, Milton. From ILLINOIS (outside of Chicago): Esther A. Craigmile, Prof. C. W. G. Eifrig, River Forest; Pierce Brodkorb, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick H. Pattee, Mrs. Lester W. Jones, Evanston; Orpheus Moyer Schantz, W. F. Schantz, Nellie J. Barody, Berwyn; Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Rosenblum, Wm. I. Lyon, Mary C. Lyon, Waukegan; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Mason, Elsie Potter, Zion; J. Wilbur Magann, E. V. Komarek, J. G. Hufmeyer, L. Ermil Butler, Clifford Dorsey, Oak Park; Frank H. Letl, Sublette; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Melcher, Hinsdale; E. Seymoor Burge, Willmette; Gladstone Califf, Deerfield; George E. Hawkins, Lake Zurich; Catherine A. Mitchell, Riverside; A. Sidney Hyde, Urbana; B. F. Berryman, Elgin; Frank G. Grasset, Glencoe; Benj. T. Gault, Glen Ellyn; Mrs. W. E. Trainer, La Grange. From CHICAGO: Dr. Henry C. Cowles, Cheswell J. Hunt, Sherman Coryell, Mrs. A. L. Feser, Mrs. A. J. Cramp, Emeline C. Bates, P. B. Coffin, Mr. and Mrs. Ruthven Deane, Dr. R. M. Strong, Lucy V. Baxter Coffin, Alta R. Cox, Dr. and Mrs. W. D. Richardson, Mrs. H. L. Baldwin, Helena Woltman, Mrs. Charles C. Pickett, Mrs. S. H. Adams, Mrs. Anna M. New, Emeline Lutz, Dr. Alfred Lewy, Mrs. Theron Colton, Mrs. M. D. Munn, Margery Wollett, P. L. Whiting, Belle Wilson, Minnie M. Newton, Earl G. Wright, Mrs. Alfred Lewy, Mrs. A. B. Crosby, Mrs. Frederick W. Blocki, Mrs. Oscar Hebel, Mr. and Mrs. J. Decker, Dorothy Event, Ethel W. Seed, Elizabeth Johnson.

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE. District of Columbia, 1; Georgia, 1; Pennsylvania, 1; Minnesota, 2; Tennessee, 4; Michigan, 6; Ohio, 6; Iowa, 7; Indiana, 8; Wisconsin, 8; Illinois (outside of Chicago), 31; Chicago, 37; Total, 112; Total outside of Chicago, 75. Total attending the banquet, 61.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR 1926

Dayton, Ohio, January 20, 1927.

## RECEIPTS FOR 1926

Cash in bank, January 1, 1926.....	\$ 251.18
Sustaining Dues .....	340.00
Active Dues .....	502.50
Associate Dues .....	405.00
Subscriptions .....	39.85
Contributions .....	128.35
Endowment Fund .....	25.00
Back numbers of WILSON BULLETIN.....	59.60
Reprints .....	2.25
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Total receipts .....	\$1,753.73

## DISBURSEMENTS FOR 1926

One-half expense of Kansas City meeting.....	\$ 24.12
Treasurer's office, postage and printing.....	17.32
Secretary's office, month by month.....	141.96
Verstegen Printing Co., December (1925), March, June, and September BULLETINS .....	1,084.20
Official stationery .....	17.50
Verstegen Printing Co., cover etching.....	9.62
Cuts for BULLETIN.....	71.94
Morningside College, addressing and Editor's expense.....	16.86
Verstegen Printing Co., 4,000 mailing envelopes.....	27.00
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	\$1,410.52
Endowment fund .....	25.00
Cash in bank, January 15, 1927.....	318.21
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Total disbursements .....	\$1,753.73

BEN. J. BLINCOE, *Treasurer.*



## REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR 1926

*To the Officers and Members of the Wilson Ornithological Club:*

Permit me to submit the following report of the activities of the Secretary's office for the current year to date.

A campaign for new members has been in progress throughout the year. In January a circular letter was sent to the entire membership of the club asking that each person send the Secretary names of prospective members. Only 181 replies were received, an unfortunately low percentage. To these people and to others whose names were secured from other sources, there were mailed 1,340 form letters containing information about the W. O. C., and an invitation to join. To date 125 new members have been added to the roll; 3 sustaining, 25 active, and 97 associate members. Several new subscriptions to the BULLETIN were secured by the Editor and one by the Secretary.

The new members are distributed by states as follows: Alabama 3, Arkansas 1, California 3, South Carolina 1, Colorado 3, Connecticut 1, North Dakota 3, South Dakota 1, Florida 1, Illinois 19, Indiana 5, Iowa 14, Kansas 5, Kentucky 1, Massachusetts 2, Michigan 12, Minnesota 4, Missouri 1, Nebraska 1, New Hampshire 1, New Jersey 1, New York 8, Ohio 12, Oklahoma 5, Oregon 1, Pennsylvania 4, Tennessee 3, Texas 1, Virginia 1, West Virginia 1, Washington 1, Wisconsin 2, District of Columbia 3.

The officers and others responsible for these new members are: H. K. Gloyd 39, T. C. Stephens 19, Gordon Wilson 5, W. I. Lyon 5, J. W. Stack 4, A. F. Ganier 2, Ben J. Blincoe 1, and from names given to the Secretary by various other members 51.

Our total membership to date numbers 620; honorary 4, sustaining 73, active 216, associate 327. In addition to these the BULLETIN has 38 subscribers and 27 exchanges, according to the Secretary's files.

The total membership distribution by states is here given: Alabama 10, Arkansas 4, California 24, North Carolina 1, South Carolina 5, Colorado 8, Connecticut 5, North Dakota 6, South Dakota 6, Florida 9, Georgia 6, Idaho 1, Illinois 72, Indiana 14, Iowa 68, Kansas 7, Kentucky 21, Louisiana 1, Maine 1, Maryland 3, Massachusetts 14, Michigan 40, Minnesota 8, Mississippi 3, Missouri 17, Nebraska 13, New Hampshire 2, New Jersey 9, New York 33, Ohio 68, Oklahoma 14, Oregon 4, Pennsylvania 18, Tennessee 24, Texas 10, Utah 1, Virginia 5, West Virginia 6, Vermont 3, Washington 2, Wisconsin 19, Wyoming 1, District of Columbia 17. Foreign: Canada 13, Brazil 1, Philippines 1, China 1, Cuba 1.

During the current year our roll has been decreased as follows: deceased 6, resigned 21, dropped for non-payment of dues 6, dropped because whereabouts are unknown 3. (Since the Nebraska Ornithologists' Union ceased to be connected with the W. O. C., 39 of these members have been discontinued).

Analysis of these figures readily indicates that there is much room for extension of efforts in the Middle West and South. It is to be hoped that all members of the organization will take an active interest in strengthening our ranks in these localities.

As shown by the Treasurer's report, a list of all expenses of the Secretary's office has been sent to him each month.

I wish here to express my appreciation of the co-operation of the other officers of the Club in carrying on the campaign for new members. I also wish to acknowledge the assistance given me by my wife, Mrs. Leonora K. Gloyd, without whose help in the clerical work my activities in connection with the membership drive would have been much more limited.

Yours very sincerely,

HOWARD K. GLOYD, *Secretary.*

COPY OF THE TRUST AGREEMENT AS ADOPTED AT THE CHICAGO MEETING AND  
RE-WRITTEN BY THE COMMITTEE UNDER INSTRUCTION

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this.....day of.....  
A. D. 1927, by and between the Wilson Ornithological Club, a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of....., having its principal place of business at....., party of the first part, and the Illinois Merchants Trust Company, a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the state of Illinois, having its office in Chicago, Ill., as TRUSTEE, party of the second part, *Witnesseth:*

WHEREAS, the said party of the first part is desirous of collecting an Endowment Fund for educational purposes, more especially the promotion and dissemination of ornithological knowledge, the income from which Endowment Fund is to be especially used for the editing, printing, and mailing of the WILSON BULLETIN, a publication issued by the Wilson Ornithological Club, and for other educational purposes not inconsistent therewith,

NOW THEREFORE, said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable considerations, has paid over and delivered to said party of the second part the sum of.....

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same upon the uses and trusts for the purposes following, that is to say:

FIRST: To receive and hold the same and to collect the income therefrom; to sell, assign, exchange, encumber, improve and convey the said trust property, or any part thereof; to sell, alter and change the investment thereof from time to time and to collect and receive all dividends, interests, rests, issues, and profit therefrom; to invest and reinvest the principal and proceeds thereof, it being understood and agreed, however, that all investments and all sales, assignments, exchanges or encumbrances are to be made by and with the consent and approval of the Endowment Fund Committee of the Wilson Ornithological Club, which Committee is to consist of three members appointed by the President of the Club, one member for one year, one for two years and one for three years and at the expiration of each respective term aforesaid, a member shall be appointed for three years or until his successor shall be appointed; any vacancy in the Committee being filled likewise for the unexpired term of the member who has vacated and the President shall annually inform the party of the second part as to the personnel of the Committee. Said Trustee shall have full power and authority to bind the trust estate without making itself individually liable, and to perform any and all other acts which it may deem proper for the carrying out of the purposes of this agreement.

SECOND: To charge to the Fund all costs, charges, and expenses of said trust estate and the management thereof, including a fee of  $\frac{1}{2}$  of 1 per cent.

per annum on the first \$50,000 principal of such fund and  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 1 per cent. on all the principal in excess of \$50,000, until and unless the amount of the fee be changed by agreement between said Trustee and the Wilson Ornithological Club as represented by its President and Treasurer, the signature of these two officers to be taken as binding said Wilson Ornithological Club as to said compensation.

THIRD: To pay, use, and expend the net income from said trust estate in installments for the dissemination of ornithological knowledge and information as that purpose shall be accomplished by the editing, printing, and mailing of said WILSON BULLETIN, said installments to be paid quarterly to the Treasurer of the said Wilson Ornithological Club, and the receipt signed by such Treasurer, setting forth that he has received such installment for such purpose, shall be sufficient to relieve said Trustee from responsibility for such installment covered by such receipt. In the event that said Wilson Ornithological Club shall be dissolved, or cease to exist as an actual organization, said Trustee shall pay, use and expend said net income in perpetuity for the dissemination of ornithological knowledge and information through the medium of some publication published or distributed by the successor or successors of the present corporation if such can be determined, or if there be no successor or successors, then by some similar organization having more than a state-wide membership. But before using said income for the support of another publication said Trustee shall use reasonable care and diligence to satisfy itself that said WILSON BULLETIN shall have been definitely and permanently discontinued. Nothing herein shall be construed, however, as limiting or preventing said Wilson Ornithological Club from changing the name of its publication from the WILSON BULLETIN to some other name which said Club shall decide upon, it being expressly understood that this fund is primarily intended for the support of the publication issued by said Wilson Ornithological Club, or by its successor or successors, whether named the WILSON BULLETIN or otherwise.

FOURTH: It is understood and agreed that the Wilson Ornithological Club, its members or other persons, corporations, firms or organizations, with the consent of the Trustee, may from time to time deliver additional funds to the party of the second part, which shall be taken and held upon the same trusts and distributed in the same manner hereinbefore mentioned.

FIFTH: Said party of the second part may resign and discharge itself of and from the trusts hereby created at any time while said Wilson Ornithological Club shall remain in existence, giving thirty (30) days notice before such resignation is to take effect, and in case of a vacancy in the office of Trustee by resignation or otherwise, a successor or successors may be appointed by a resolution duly adopted by a majority of the then officers, councillors and Endowment Fund Committee of said Wilson Ornithological Club, but said new Trustee or Trustees shall be a responsible corporation authorized by law to transact trust functions; or in case a new Trustee shall not be appointed as herein provided within thirty (30) days after a vacancy shall occur, then said party of the second part may apply to any court of original general jurisdiction in said County of..... for the appointment of a new Trustee upon such notice as shall be in accordance with the rules and practice of the court, and such Trustee or Trustees appointed as hereinbefore provided, or by such court, being corporate under state law as above mentioned, shall accept such appointment by an instrument in writing duly signed, and upon the acceptance of such appointment, such Trustee or Trustees

shall thereby and thereupon become and be vested with all the powers, rights, estate, and interests granted to or conferred upon said party of the second part by these presents and charged with all the duties and obligations herein mentioned without any further assurance of conveyance whatsoever. It is further understood and agreed that upon the decision of a majority of the then officers, councillors and Endowment Fund Committee of the said Wilson Ornithological Club this trust agreement may be revoked and rescinded and a new contract entered into without delay to insure the conservation of the Fund.

SIXTH: Said Trustee shall render an annual report to the President and members of the Endowment Fund Committee of the Wilson Ornithological Club, showing the amount of the principal of the trust funds, the income thereof received during the past year, the donations received for said fund during the year, and the amount of payments therefrom for all purposes including payments made to the Treasurer of said Club; said report to be made in time to be exhibited at the annual meeting of said Club; said annual reports to be continued to be made to such society or club as may be concerned with the publication of any periodical succeeding the WILSON BULLETIN or succeeding the Wilson Ornithological Club, as hereinbefore provided.

SEVENTH: It is understood and agreed that, except by a vote of at least three-fourths ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of the entire membership of the Wilson Ornithological Club, the principal amount of the Fund may not be reduced or diminished other than by unavoidable losses or depreciation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said party of the first part has caused these presents to be executed by its President and Secretary and its corporate seal affixed, and said party of the second part, to evidence its acceptance of the trusts hereby created, has caused these presents to be executed by a Vice President, attested by an Assistant Secretary, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, the day and year first above written.

WILSON ORNITHOLOGICAL CLUB

By.....  
*President*

By.....  
*Secretary*

ILLINOIS MERCHANTS TRUST COMPANY

By.....  
*Vice-President*

Attest.....