

## ORNITHOLOGICAL NEWS

The Wilson Ornithological Society operated at a loss in 1963. This, together with a large December issue of *The Wilson Bulletin*, an extraordinary number of address plate changes due to zip code, and rising costs in general, presaged a deficit of approximately \$1500 at the end of the current year.

The Executive Council, meeting at Kalamazoo, voted an increase in dues commencing in 1965 to \$5 active, \$10 sustaining and \$150 life. These increases, plus an anticipated increase in endowment income, which will result from the highly gratifying response to appeals for new patrons and life members, augur well for the future financial stability of the Society. They do not, however, remove the 1964 deficit. Council, therefore, authorized your outgoing president to make an appeal to the membership for funds to carry the Society through its present financial squeeze. Such an appeal at the annual meeting resulted in more than half of the anticipated deficit being underwritten. This is a call to those who were not present for your participation. If you can be of assistance, please direct your contributions, which of course are income tax deductible, to the treasurer.—P. B. S.

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The Society's reserve supply of some recent issues of *The Wilson Bulletin* is inadequate. The supply of the March 1963 issue is especially critical, but we also need additional copies of the March 1962 issue and the June, September, and December issues of 1963. Members who do not keep all back issues on file will be doing the Society a real and important service by returning any copies of these issues to: The Josselyn Van Tyne Memorial Library, Museum of Zoology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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Membership in the Laboratory of Ornithology at Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, is available to all persons interested in supporting its research, educational, and cultural programs. Fees are \$10.00 for Supporting Membership and \$100.00 for Annual Patronship. All members receive the quarterly *Newsletter* and *The Living Bird* while Annual Patrons receive in addition such other publications as phonograph records, record albums, and booklets produced by the Laboratory during the calendar year.

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The AOU announces that *The Proceedings of the XIIIth International Ornithological Congress* is now ready for delivery. This is a two-volume work of more than 1,250 pages, bound in hard covers, and illustrated by a colored frontispiece, containing 110 papers presented or read by title at the International Congress held in Ithaca, New York in 1962. The price is \$20.00 (postpaid if remittance accompanies order). Order from: The Treasurer, American Ornithologists' Union, Museum of Zoology, Drawer MU, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

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The Asociacion Ornitológica del Plata announces that it is resuming the publication of its journal, *El Hornero*, with William H. Partridge as Editor. The Asociacion extends a cordial invitation to ornithologists interested in the bird fauna of this region and in Neotropical birds in general to join the association and to send in papers for publication in *El Hornero* on any aspects of the study of birds of the Neotropic Region. All papers will be published preferably in Spanish with English summaries. Membership dues per year are: Active Members, \$200 Arg. Pesos (about \$1.50 U.S. dollars), and Sustaining Members, \$400 Arg. Pesos (about \$3 U.S. dollars). *El Hornero* is sent free to all mem-

bers. Send papers and dues to: Asociacion Ornitologica del Plata, Av. Angel Gallardo 470, Buenos Aires, Rep. Argentina.

In conjunction with research concerning the population dynamics and demography of the Eastern Bluebird, Dr. Douglas James, Department of Zoology, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas, would like to know the names and addresses of everyone who has established a number of bluebird nesting boxes, and who are in a position to tell him the number of such boxes used by bluebirds each year. Persons interested in cooperating should contact Dr. James for details and copies of the census form.

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