

ORNITHOLOGICAL NEWS

The 50th Annual meeting of The Wilson Ornithological Society will be held in Williamsburg, Va. on 1-4 May 1969. Accommodations will be well-booked in Williamsburg at that time of year, and members planning on attending the meeting should make their reservations at least 45 days in advance. A list of motel and other accommodations can be obtained by writing to Secretary Jeff Swinebroad (address on inside front cover) or to the Chairman of the Local Committee on Arrangements, Dr. Mitchell A. Byrd, Department of Biology, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va. The feature of the meeting will be a symposium on present and future research in ornithology arranged and chaired by H. B. Tordoff.

The color plate in this issue of *The Wilson Bulletin* was subsidized by the Oklahoma members of the Wilson Society and many other friends and former students of Dr. George M. Sutton in Oklahoma and nearby states. To these many people and to the organizers of the project, Mrs. Lovie Whitaker and Dr. Robert H. Furman, the Editor and the Society are deeply grateful.

Mr. George R. Mayfield is added to the list of persons who have belonged to the Wilson Society for 50 years.

FROM THE AOU

At its annual meeting in College, Alaska on 18 June 1968 the AOU elected the following officers:

John W. Aldrich, President
Eugene Eisenmann, First Vice-President
Donald S. Farner, Second Vice-President

L. Richard Mewaldt, Secretary
Burt L. Monroe, Jr., Treasurer
Oliver L. Austin, Jr., Editor.

During May through July, Ring-billed Gulls from three Great Lakes colonies were wing-marked with 1.5 inch-diameter "Safeflag" tags. Each colony is represented by a specific color. An attempt is being made to determine the dispersal pattern, migration route, and winter range for each population. Anyone observing such wing-marked gulls is asked to notify Dr. William E. Southern, Department of Biological Sciences, Northern Illinois University 60115. The following information is desired: date, exact location, marker color, and the observer's name. Assistance in this project will be greatly appreciated. Respondents will be provided with information pertaining to colony locations and the date of marking.

WANTED—Live goatsuckers (Caprimulgidae) of each species for research on thermoregulation. For holding and shipping information contact George T. Austin, Dept. of Biological Sciences, Nevada Southern University, Las Vegas 89109.