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ANNUAL MEETING.

The regular annual meeting of the Oregon Audubon Society was held Sept. 14 with about 30 members present. Reports were made by officers and committees, and other business conducted, of which only a brief abstract is here possible. Officers elected for the coming year and committee chairmen are listed on the programs which are included with this issue.

The Treasurer reported \$291.23 on hand, of which \$146.63 is in the general fund, the rest in special funds: \$32.95 in the Warbler fund, \$100.00 in the Museum fund, etc. Active membership dues were paid by 156 members, sustaining by 9. There were 56 new members. The record was approved by the Auditor, Mr. Weeks.

Mr. N. G. Seaman, reporting for the Sanctuary development, noted the installation of the W.S. Raker Memorial Fountain as the most notable item of new construction: it was promoted by the "Lucy" Club. Mr. W. A. Eliot, Sanctuary Caretaker, made a detailed report of birds seen. 80 species were listed, 9 more than last year, including the Chat, Calaveras Warbler, Water Ouzel, Mallard, female Hooded Merganser, Canada Geese, Killdeer, Beal's Petrel (dead), Rough-winged Swallow and Yellow-throated Warblers. 1985 visitors were registered, from 19 states and many foreign countries.

Mrs. T. H. Brown, in charge of Bird Record Compilation, reported very satisfactory work from her committee, and a half-dozen of her observers made reports on their districts. Much valuable and interesting information has already been acquired and assembled in tabulated form.

Mr. Leo F. Simon for the Program Committee reported holding 31 public meetings the past season, 7 of them open meetings for discussion. For the coming season it was decided to meet at the Public Library, in Library Hall, on Fridays at 8:00 P.M. By paying 50¢ per night for an attendant, we may stay after the usual closing time. \$10.00 was pledged at the meeting for this purpose.

Mrs. Eliot, Historian, requested photos and clippings from the members, for the records; a complete file of the "Warbler" is at the Sanctuary. No general report

was made for Field Trips or the Junior Audubon Work, due to absence of the chairmen. The Editors reported issuing six "Warblers" at a cost of \$10.90 to \$11.70 per issue, defrayed by special contributions. Largest issue has been 270.

Mr. B. A. Thaxter as chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented a list of nominees. There were no other nominations, and his list was elected. The new President, Mr. E.F. Averill, took the chair; in his speech he mentioned one project especially for the future, the need for a Natural History Museum in Portland. Mr. Braley of DePoe Bay was asked to take the floor, to present a proposition for the sale of his Museum to the Society. As is well known, his collection of birds and eggs is one of the finest on the Pacific Coast. He said that now the carrying on of it is a burden, and that he would sell it to the Society for \$15,000, a fraction of its cost, \$5,000 down and the balance in 10 years. Mr. Jewett is chairman of an Audubon Committee which is endeavouring to work out some way of financing some such project.

JUNIOR AUDUBON WORK.

Mrs. A.L. Campbell, who has directed the Junior Audubon work since 1938, as well as for several years at an earlier date, found the work taking too much of her time, and has turned it over to others. Her excellent work was acknowledged in "BIRD LORE", with the comment that she "has enrolled 11,525 Oregon children, as well as many in Idaho, Montana and Wyoming".

Mrs. Susie Nicholson will take care of the Audubon Birthday dinner and other "Lucy" work, and Mrs. Christine Morgan becomes chairman of the Junior Audubon work. The Junior work will be somewhat lighter than in the past, as only Oregon will be handled here now, and the number of leaflets issued has been reduced. Mrs. Morgan handled much of the secretarial work last season, and is familiar with the Junior work.

In September, Mrs. E.H. Whitney gave a tea at her new home, in honor of Mrs. Campbell, and to further interest in birds in the public schools. A large number of nature teachers were present.

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Portland Bird Record

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Christmas Bird Census

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TWO BIRD BOOKS WORTH HAVING

Birds of the Pacific Coast

By Willard Ayres Eliot

\$3.50

An authoritative, up-to-date text for amateur bird lover and ornithologist, by a director of the Oregon Audubon Society. A brief account of the distribution and habitat of 180 birds common to the Pacific Coast states and to British Columbia.

Illustrated with 56 color plates by

R. Bruce Horsfall.

Birds of Oregon **\$5.00**

By Ira N. Gabrielson and Stanley G. Jewett, officers of the Oregon Audubon Society. The first comprehensive bird book of Oregon, one of the richest Western ornithological areas. With 200 photographs by the authors and by Dr. William L. Finley.

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Held by the

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OCTOBER 4, 1940, TO MAY 2, 1941

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Meetings Held in
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The Oregon Audubon Society is a corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Oregon. The object, business and pursuit of this corporation is as follows:

1. To use any and all lawful means for the protection of the wild birds and animals of the State of Oregon and elsewhere; and by literature, lectures and by all other available methods to disseminate knowledge and appreciation of the economic and esthetic value of wild birds and animals.

2. To acquire, own, hold, use, sell and otherwise dispose of, and convey, real and personal property; to accept and receive gifts, devises and legacies; and to borrow money and execute therefor its promissory notes, mortgages and other assurances.

3. To do any and all other acts and things which may be necessary, advisable or convenient for the purpose of more effectually accomplishing the purposes aforesaid, or any of them.

Membership in the Society is of three classes, as follows:

Active membership dues.....\$1.00 per annum
Sustaining membership dues..... 5.00 per annum
Life members25.00

FORM OF GENERAL BEQUEST

I give and bequeath to "Oregon Audubon Society," a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Oregon, the sum ofdollars."

FIELD TRIPS

Field Trips will be conducted at least once a week, beginning in March, usually starting at 7 a. m. Announcements will be made at the evening meetings, as well as in the press. These walks are for the benefit of members and friends who wish to become acquainted with the songs, habits and foods of birds.

Pittock Bird Sanctuary, Reed College Lake, Washington, Mt. Tabor and Columbia Parks are visited, as well as Tualatin Valley and the lowlands of the rivers. Leave your dogs at home.

PROGRAM — 1940-1941

Oct. 4. Game Birds of Oregon.....Ed. F. Averill
Oct. 11. Birds in British Poetry.....Harold S. Gilbert
Oct. 18. Titmice and Nuthatches.....W. H. Crowell
Oct. 25. Birding in the Great Plains Region.....Mrs. F. C. Blakeslee

Nov. 1. Some Common Water Birds....Leo F. Simon
Nov. 8. Evergreen Trees of Our State. Pictures and Exhibit.....Thornton T. Munger and Willard A. Eliot

Nov. 15. Habits and Calls of some of our Game Animals.....Ed. F. Averill
Nov. 22. Indian LoreEarl A. Marshall
Nov. 29. Rambles of a Naturalist in Central OregonLeo F. Simon

Dec. 6. Bird Recollections.....Dean Collins
The Oregon Journal

Dec. 13. Men of the Biological Survey.....Stanley G. Jewett, Regional Biologist

Dec. 20. Wild Life in the Yellowstone. (Movies).....William J. Smith

Dec. 27. Bird Observations in the Klamath Basin...Dean B. McBride, Lakeview, Ore.

Dec. 29. Christmas Bird Census.....W. H. Crowell
Chairman

Jan. 3. The Strangest Birds I Have Known.....Stanley G. Jewett, Regional Biologist

Jan. 10. Blackbirds, Orioles and Larks.W. H. Crowell

Jan. 17. Alaska in Color.....Orin E. Stanley

Jan. 24. Warblers and Vireos.....W. A. Eliot

Jan. 31. Hawks and Owls, Friends or Enemies.....H. M. DuBois

Feb. 7. Northwest Nature Trails.....Herbert S. Lampman, *The Oregonian*

Feb. 14. Swallows, Swifts and Flycatchers.....B. A. Thaxter

Feb. 21. Bird Movies in Color.....Ed. M. Harrison
Encinitis, Calif.

Feb. 28. Summer Vacationing in the South and the SouthwestMella White

PROGRAM — Continued

Mar. 7. Mysteries of the Tidepools.....Ruth Russell DuBois

Mar. 14. Woodpeckers, Crows and Jays.....Earl A. Marshall

Mar. 21. Wild Life in Movies.....Dr. William Lovell Finley

Mar. 28. "A Manual of the Higher Plants of Oregon"Dr. Morton E. Peck
Willamette University

Apr. 4. Australian BirdsRobert M. Bellis

Apr. 11. Thrushes, Kinglets and Wrens.....Harold S. Gilbert

Apr. 18. Little Adventures among the Six-FootedRuth Cooper Whitney

Apr. 25. Audubon Birthday Dinner . . . under the auspices of The Lucy Club.

May 2. Oregon Wild Flowers in Color.....C. L. Marshall

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RETIRING OFFICERS

At the last election, two of our officers who have served the Audubon Society long and faithfully, insisted upon retiring. Mr. Crowell, who became President in 1936, and Miss Arlie Seaman, Recording Secretary a large part of the time since 1916, both asked to be relieved, though they have continued on the Board of Directors. Mr. Crowell was the third President of the Oregon Audubon Society; he followed a ten-year tenure of Mr. W. A. Eliot. Dr. Wm. L. Finley was the first President, from incorporation of the Society in 1909, to 1926, and continues as Honorary President.

Before incorporation, Dr. Emma J. Welty was Secretary; afterwards, Miss Elizabeth Watson, her intimate companion, from 1909 to 1916 and again from 1920 to 1927. In the interim, Miss Seaman served and Mrs. Bruce Horsfal. Misses Madge and Johanna Cramer filled the position one year, Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson for two. Miss Seaman occupied the post continuously since 1931, and the minutes indicate that she also acted as Corresponding Secretary for some time.

BIRD RECORDS.

Mrs. Brown's reporters have been doing excellent work in noting arrivals and departures of our regular birds, but they have also embellished the records with quite a few notes of rare or unusual visitors.

July 29, Wm. Tilford located a Cuckoo in the Slough bottoms; several members went out to see it. He also saw a Barn Owl the same day. At Ramsey Lake in Sept. he and Mrs. Blakeslee found the Northern Phalarope and Pectoral Sandpiper. Leo Simon saw a Western Grebe on the Willamette River in September, and he and Mrs. Simon, a pair of Eared Grebes on Crystal Springs Lake in October. Sept. 22 Mr. Williams, reporter for the West Side lowlands, found a Lincoln's Sparrow. At the Pittock Sanctuary, a Townsend's Solitaire was seen Sept. 21. On Sept. 17 David Marshall saw a Duck Hawk at Mt. Tabor, and later Mrs. T.H. Brown saw one at Oswego.

Meier & Frank Co. have again published our program, 2000 copies, free. Many are being mailed, with an invitation from our President to join the Society.

WARBLES.

The Los Angeles Audubon Society have offered to exchange their WESTERN TANAGER for our AUDUBON WARBLER. Their President, Miss Laura Greeley, invites our members to visit their headquarters in Plummer Park, 7377 Santa Monica Blvd.

We also receive the SEATTLE WREN and the BULLETIN OF THE MASSACHUSETTS AUDUBON SOCIETY, which are kept on file at the Pittock Sanctuary. You will find them well worth looking into.

BIRD LORE calls attention to the fact that feathers are again in fashion, and that quills from South American birds as well as some of our own are slipping into the millinery shops. There are legal feathers, and each purchaser has a right to demand "positive assurance that the feathers on her hat are within the law".

Thirty new members have joined the Society since the last Warbler went out in May, ten from DePoe Bay and Newport.

The W.S. Raker Memorial Fountain was dedicated May 30th, in the presence of a large gathering of Audubon members and friends. Mr. Gilbert introduced Dr. Finley, who made the dedicatory address. A group of Campfire girls dedicated the Placque, and sang their "Daddy Raker" song.

The Directors met June 29th at the Finley home at Jennings Lodge; transacted routine business, appointed a nominating committee, heard Mr. Crowell announce that he must retire, had a picnic dinner on the river bank. Then Mr. Ed. M. Harrison of Encinitis, California, back in the Finley house, produced two reels (1600 feet each) of colored movies of birds, just finished, which left his audience as nearly speechless as such an audience may be. We saw the yellow-headed blackbird, avocet, cinnamon teal, Canada goose, mallard, ring-billed and California gulls, Caspian tern, heron, egret, magpie, pelican, condor, perfect pictures in wonderful color. Mr. Eliot seized upon him at once for the lecture program, and he is due to appear for us again Feb. 21. Don't let anything keep you away.

Did you see that our Stanley Jewett was made a fellow of the American Ornithological Union? Fellowships are limited to 25; Jewett is the second from the Pacific Coast.