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We are pleased to announce that Dr. R. M. Strong, a Founder and Past President of the Wilson Ornithological Society, has been named our fourth Patron through the gift of an anonymous donor.

It is indeed a pleasure for me, especially as a neophyte editor, to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to members of the editorial board—George A. Bartholomew, Andrew J. Berger, William W. H. Gunn, William A. Lunk, Robert A. Norris, Kenneth C. Parkes, Raymond A. Paynter, Jr.—and to H. Albert Hochbaum and O. S. Pettingill, Jr., for their excellent cooperation in critically, seriously, and promptly reviewing material intended for publication in the *Bulletin*.—H.L.B.

FROM THE A. O. U.

Notice has been received of the following results of elections at the August meeting (77th stated) of the A. O. U. at Regina, Saskatchewan: President, George H. Lowery, Jr.; First Vice-President, Dean Amadon; Second Vice-President, Austin L. Rand; Treasurer, Charles G. Sibley; Secretary, Herbert G. Deignan; Class of Fellows—John Davis, Thomas R. Howell, A. Starker Leopold; Class of Elective Members—H. Lewis Batts, Jr., Pershing B. Hofslund, C. Stuart Houston, Richard F. Johnston, Martin H. Moynihan, Robert K. Selander; Corresponding Fellows—F. W. Merkel (Germany), Derek Goodwin (Great Britain), Frantiček Turček (Czechoslovakia), V. C. Wynne-Edwards (Great Britain); Editor of The Auk, Donald S. Farner.

The Brewster Memorial Award went to Alexander Wetmore for more than 50 years of distinguished work in avian paleontology and systematic ornithology.

The 1960 meetings will take place in Ann Arbor, Michigan, from August 23 to 26.

The Rockbridge Alum Springs Biological Laboratory will soon be open for research students or others interested in working in the several branches of the natural sciences. A number of experimental field research projects have been going on for several years during building construction, and during the packing and removal of specimens and library from Florida to Virginia.

W. O. S. members who are capably interested in entomology, forestry, horticulture, or the practical and working side of conservation, and who are desirous of a paying position may write to Harold H. Bailey, c/o the laboratory, Route 2, Goshen, Virginia, for further information.

The Division of Biological and Medical Sciences of the National Science Foundation announces that the next closing date for receipt of basic research proposals in the Life Sciences is January 15, 1960. Proposals received prior to that date will be reviewed at the the spring meetings of the Foundation's advisory panels, and disposition will be made approximately four months following the closing date. Proposals received after the January 15, 1960 closing date will be reviewed following the summer closing date of May 15, 1960. Inquiries should be addressed to the National Science Foundation, Washington 25, D. C.