

apparently changing, or at least, widening their New York State range. —Any comments from EBBAS? We'd like to print a paper on this topic by B. S. Bowdish, whom we quoted briefly in May NEWS —Come across, Bowdish!"

WHY NOT!

This Editor found it impossible to attend last April's Annual Meeting of EBBA. There were papers given there which we'd like to condense and publish in EBBANEWS. Ben Coffey's for instance, on banding Chimney Swifts. And Mr. Astle's remarks. And if anyone reading this note has written a paper (whether published or read somewhere, or not) which could appropriately be condensed in EBBANEWS, please will its author send it in here! —Why not!

Dry Spring!

It occurs to the Editor that the unprecedented (at least in N. Y. State) Spring drought may have had some unexpected or unusual effects upon bird-nesting, bird-rearing and populations. Has any member some contriḡ to send in on this topic? Not a drop of rain during June in southern New York and most of New Jersey. At Winterton, N. Y. we had one brief thunderstorm downpour that rescued the Editor's vegetable garden at the last moment. But its area was very small. Connecticut still suffers.

TREASURER WOOD REPORTS 320 MEMBERS

According to Treasurer Wood EBBA has 320 members; meaning paid-up and not in arrears on dues members. Will all our other "members" please pay-up!

INFORMATION WANTED ON EASTERN HOUSE WREN

Information Wanted: Does any member know from personal observation whether a female Eastern House Wren sings (somewhat like a male) at times during the breeding and nesting season? Send in a postal card. —Include on it also any observation or data on this bird which you think does not appear in the bird books.

NEXT ISSUE

Next issue will be called (and so labelled, we pray) the August Issue. —And be distributed before August 25 at the latest. —We pray.

MAHNKEN WRITES . . .

—And Mahnken writes that U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service issued a one - page memo to banders last April —"With many directions." Editor can't locate this one. It must be quite important because of those Directions. Will someone please loan Editor this memo so that it can be digested in EBBANUS next issue! —I do mean loan.

REPORT ON OUR FINANCIAL CONDITION, APRIL 21, 1949

The treasury has a balance of \$436.43, \$83.00 more than a year ago. Annual itemized financial report appears in the January issue of the EBBA NEWS.

The total number of members is 320, which is 104 more than a year ago. The number who joined since January 1st is 36.

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