

PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT TO THE PRESIDENT
By Rebecca Cregar, Chairman

Since the Workshop Manual has become a part of the annual meeting program, you might be interested in its philosophy, and the Education Committee's suggestions for a more efficient way of handling the material.

The Workshop Manual was started by the original Workshop Committee (Chan Robbins, the late Hope Geis and myself). At the time we were too busy to set down any philosophy to guide its future development. Perhaps it would be profitable to do so now.

The Workshop Manual has attempted to do the following: Provide those who attend the annual meeting with material on the subjects at hand, so they do not have to take so many notes; provide some information for banders which is "collected" rather than scattered through banding literature; provide some information which, in authority, lies between banders' notes in EBBA News and what the Banding Office might include in its proposed banders' guide; and finally, provide material which is available to all banders throughout the country, not just those lucky enough to attend the annual meeting.

The Educationa Committee (Mabel Gillespie, Gilbert Raynor and myself) made the following recommendation, which was passed by the Council last April:

". . . It appeared to the committee that although the Workshop Manuals have been financially profitable, the duplication of its articles in EBBA News is costing EBBA money. To remedy this situation it is suggested that the March-April issue of EBBA News be the Workshop Edition. Extra copies could be printed and sold to the many non-EBBA members from all over the country and Canada who now buy the Manual -- thus creating more of a profit. Aside from financial considerations this would get the information to the members prior to the meeting and the amount of workshop or meeting material could be extremely variable to fit the changing needs of EBBA.

"Frank Frazier has been consulted about this idea and fully concurs. The responsibility for organizing the workshop material, how much and what, in time for Frank's deadline would be the responsibility of the Vice-President in charge of the annual meeting. Frank would then fill out the issue as he saw fit."

Since the suggestions regarding the organization of this issue leave much to be desired in the way of details, Frank and I are hard at work figuring out the best way to give all you readers of EBBA News and the Workshop Manual something you will find useful. We hope that you all will be as pleased with the new manual plans as we are.