

NOTES AND NEWS

THE AUK must sorrowfully record the loss of Dr. Thomas S. Roberts, Fellow of the A. O. U., who died in Minneapolis, Minnesota on April 19, last.

IN THE last (April, 1946) number of *The Auk* there was a brief note of the death of Clinton G. Abbott, who had been the director of the museum of the San Diego Society of Natural History for the past twenty-four years. During his tenure of office he had built up the museum from a purely local institution to one of the more important organizations of its kind in the country. In appreciation of his character, and in acknowledgment of his services to the museum, the society has established a fund to be known as the Clinton G. Abbott Memorial Publication Fund, all contributions to which shall be invested, and the interest alone used to finance the enlarged publication program of the society. Friends and admirers of Clinton Abbott, wherever they may be situated, are invited to contribute. Checks should be made out to the San Diego Society of Natural History, marked "Abbott Memorial Fund," and mailed to Arthur C. Wells, Treasurer, c/o The San Diego Trust and Savings Bank, 540 Broadway, San Diego 1, California.

The Sixty-fourth Annual Meeting of the A. O. U.

The American Ornithologists' Union will hold its first full annual meeting since 1942 on September 2 to 5 in Urbana-Champaign, Illinois. This will be a regular meeting, with presentation of papers, a banquet, social gatherings, and field trips. Headquarters will be in the new Illini Union Building of the University of Illinois, where the business meetings on Monday, September 2, will be held. An excellent cafeteria is available, and conference or lounging rooms will be at the disposal of members and visitors.

Most of the public sessions will be held in Gregory Hall on the campus. This building is air-conditioned and will be comfortable even if the weather is warm. The main University auditorium will be available for an evening session with motion pictures. There will be an opportunity to inspect the equipment and research under way in the Vivarium Building and at the Illinois Natural History Survey. Field trips of both a half-day and a whole day's duration are being planned.

³¹⁴Reservations for rooms should be made immediately at either the Inman Hotel in ⁴⁴³¹Champaign or at the Urbana-Lincoln Hotel in Urbana. Guests who cannot be ¹²⁶accommodated by the hotels will be placed in rooms in private homes.

The meeting is sponsored by the Department of Zoology and Physiology of the University of Illinois, the Illinois Natural History Survey, and the Champaign County Audubon Club. The chairman of the Local Committee on Arrangements is Dr. S. Charles Kendeigh, Vivarium Building, Wright and Healey Streets, Champaign, Illinois.