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## NOTES AND NEWS

THE EDITOR is very pleased to report that Mr. Edward A. McIlhenny, who has so generously contributed to the publication funds of The Auk since early in 1942, has renewed his financial support of the journal. With the increased costs of publication and the continuing accumulation of manuscripts by members of the A. O. U., this assurance of additional working funds is most gratifying.

In addition, it is gratifying to note that various contributors to the present number of The Auk have supplied funds as well as manuscripts. Mr. William H. Phelps and Mr. Aaron Moore Bagg have underwritten the publication costs of their papers; Mr. W. L. McAtee has done the same for a portion of the memorial of P. A. Taverner; and Mr. Alexander Sprunt, Jr., and Dr. George M. Sutton have subscribed toward the costs of the plates accompanying their respective articles. This practical coöperation is greatly appreciated.

NOTICE has come to hand of another set of The Auk available for purchase. Mr. Fred M. Dille, Honorary Life Associate, of 822 Grand Ave., Nogales, Arizona, is willing to dispose of his set which is complete to volume 64, including five Ten-year Indexes, and which he values at \$250.00, not including transportation.

Mr. A. C. Bent writes that he has completed the manuscript of his 'Life Histories' of the Icteridae and Thraupidae and is ready to receive photographs and notes on the behavior of the Fringillidae. All members of the A. O. U. who have material of value concerning the species from the cardinals to the crossbills, inclusive—which will comprise the first volume on this family—are urged to send it to Mr. Bent.