

NOTES AND NEWS

The 11th International Ornithological Congress, Sir Landsborough Thomson presiding, will be held in Basel (Switzerland) from May 29 to June 5, 1954.

During the week of the Congress, 5 days will be devoted to meetings and 2 to excursions. Before and after the Congress (May 25 to 28 and June 7 to 19) excursions will be arranged to enable members to become acquainted with the Swiss avifauna, especially of the Alps and Lower Alps. The Congress fee is 30 Swiss francs (\$7.00 at the current rate of exchange).

The prospectus, containing registration form and detailed information, will be distributed this summer. Applications to attend, and to contribute scientific papers, should be sent in before February 28, 1954, and addressed to: XI International Ornithological Congress, Zoological Garden, Basel, Switzerland. Inquiries concerning the Congress may also be sent to this address.

Dr. Ernst Mayr, Curator of the Whitney-Rothschild Collection, American Museum of Natural History, has been appointed Alexander Agassiz Professor of Zoology in the Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University. Mr. James C. Greenway, Jr., has been appointed Curator of Birds in the Museum, succeeding the late James L. Peters, and Mr. Raymond A. Paynter, Jr., has been appointed Assistant Curator of Birds.

Dr. Charles G. Sibley has accepted an appointment to teach ornithology at Cornell University. He will succeed Dr. Arthur A. Allen, who is retiring.

Although not listed on the program for the Seventieth Stated Meeting, Mr. James B. Dixon of Escondido, California, participated in the panel discussion on the comparative biology of the genus *Empidonax*. He spoke on the nests and habits of western species of the genus and illustrated his remarks with excellent slides taken in California.

Membership of Committees for 1953:

Committee on Endowment: Betty Carnes (Mrs. Herbert E.), *Chairman*. Eugene Eisenmann, Ira N. Gabrielson, Douglas S. Miller, A. W. Schorger.

TREASURER'S REPORT, FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1952

INCOME TO ACTIVE FUND ACCOUNT

Dues	
Fellows.....	\$ 274.75
Members.....	702.05
Associates.....	9,778.29
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	\$10,755.09
Subscriptions.....	1,329.62
Sale of back issues of "The Auk".....	470.89
From authors for reprints.....	256.36
Miscellaneous sales past year and Canadian accumulation.....	247.78
Advertising.....	389.00
Donations to Active Publications Fund.....	984.00
(This includes \$650.00 from E. D. Palmer Memorial Fund)	

Income from

General Endowment Fund.....	\$ 1,504.01
Ruthven Deane Fund.....	342.95
Educational Fund (dues for 25 Student Members).....	100.00
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	\$16,379.70
Less returned checks.....	28.25
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<i>Total Income—1952</i>	<u><u>\$16,351.45</u></u>

SPECIAL FUNDS

Brewster Memorial Fund

Balance of 1951 income.....	\$ 18.47	
Income from investments.....	554.95	
Cost of 1951 medal and postage.....		18.79
Honorarium to Dr. Kendeigh.....		536.16
Balance in Checking Account.....		18.47
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	\$ 573.42	\$ 573.42
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Educational Endowment Fund

Balance of 1951 income.....	6.65	
Income (1952).....	102.32	
Committee Expenses.....		4.69
To Active Account, 25 Student Members.....		100.00
Balance in Account.....		4.28
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	\$ 108.97	\$ 108.97
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Bird Protection Endowment Fund

Balance of 1951 income.....	\$ 55.59	
Income (1952).....	70.42	
Donations to the Fund.....	30.45	
International Union for the Protection of Nature, 1951 and 1952 Dues.....		20.00
International Committee for Bird Protection, 1951 and 1952 Dues.....		10.00
Natural Resources Council.....		15.00
Letters and Printing.....		47.66
Balance in Account.....		63.80
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	\$ 156.46	\$ 156.46
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Endowment Fund

Previously collected, to be invested.....	\$ 404.25
8 Life Members 1952.....	800.00
7 Partial Payments of \$25.00 each.....	175.00
Donations to the Fund.....	270.00
From Canadian Account.....	1,558.30
Additional payment of one Patron.....	900.00

To Investing Trustees.....	\$ 4,100.00
Balance in Account.....	7.55
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	\$ 4,107.55 \$ 4,107.55

DISBURSEMENTS

Manufacturing and distribution of "The Auk".....	\$10,540.92
Reprints from "The Auk" for A. O. U.....	23.98
Editor's Expenses.....	500.00
Secretary's Expenses.....	500.00
Treasurer's Expenses.....	487.12
Associate Certificates.....	40.60
Expense 1951 meeting, paid after meeting.....	194.14
Expense 1952 meeting, paid before meeting.....	267.45
Letter to members about Zoological Record.....	42.75
Postage to Zoological Society of London.....	4.81
Letter Service, Plates, Changes and Filing.....	351.39
Stationery, all offices.....	263.17
Purchase and express on back issues of "The Auk".....	50.33
Mailing back issues of "The Auk" from Omaha and Lancaster.....	142.58
Mimeographed Price-list of back issues.....	14.87
Telephone and telegraph.....	24.29
Bank charges and refunds.....	44.81
All 1952 dues notices.....	202.12
Donation to Zoological Society of London for 1951 and 1952.....	50.00
Endowment Committee Expense.....	130.46
Research Committee Expense.....	22.95
Membership Committee Expense.....	216.51
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TOTAL EXPENDED 1952.....	\$14,115.25

Total Income 1952.....	\$16,351.45
Expended over Income 1951.....	348.14

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Total Expended—1952.....	\$14,115.25
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In Active Account, September 30, 1952.....	\$ 688.06	
Amount in Active Account.....		\$ 688.06
Balance of Endowment Fund income.....	\$ 7.55	
Balance of Educational Fund income.....	4.28	
Balance of Bird Protection Fund income.....	63.80	
Balance of Brewster Fund income.....	18.47	
Balance in Aves Section.....	3.00	97.10

Bank Balance September 30, 1952.....	\$ 785.16
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Special Publications Fund (including \$1,200 from Active Account according to action of Finance Committee).....	\$ 6,212.58
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R. ALLYN MOSER, Treasurer.