

NOTES AND NEWS

Report of elections at the annual meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union held at Toronto, Canada, on September 8-12, 1947, is as follows: officers as before; new council members, A. H. Miller, H. L. Stoddard, and J. T. Emlen, Jr.; new fellows, O. S. Pettingill, Jr., H. B. Conover, F. H. Allen, J. W. Aldrich, and L. L. Snyder; new members, Mrs. Elsa G. Allen, Frank Bellrose, Jr., H. W. Brandt, C. H. D. Clarke, D. R. Griffin, C. R. Mason, B. L. Monroe, R. A. Moser, R. S. Palmer, H. S. Peters, R. H. Pough, G. B. Saunders, Gustav Swanson, J. T. Tanner and L. McI. Terrill. The 1948 meetings will be held in Omaha, Nebraska.

Harvey I. Fisher of the University of Hawaii and Frank Richardson of the University of Nevada have exchanged university appointments for the school year 1947-48. Fisher is now located at the University in Reno, Nevada.

COOPER CLUB MEETINGS

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

President Howard Robertson called the business session to order at 10 a.m. on May 30, 1947, at the Los Angeles Museum, Exposition Park, Los Angeles, and appointed two committees as follows: proxy committee, Hildegard Howard, Alden H. Miller, Sherwin Wood; nominating committee for members of the board of directors, John Appleton, Luther Little, Kenneth Stager.

The meeting was then adjourned until the next day.

The second session on May 31, 1947, was called to order at 9:40 a.m.

Stating that the amending of the Articles of Incorporation at the Annual Meeting of 1946, in Berkeley, was not legal since written notice had not been previously posted, Mr. Howard Robertson declared that at a meeting of the Board of Directors on May 2, 1947, a new amendment was duly adopted and members notified that it would be brought before the members at the Annual Business Meeting of 1947 for ratification.

Before reading the amendment, Mr. Robertson asked for a report of the Proxy Committee to ascertain whether or not a quorum was present. Alden Miller reported that 581 members were represented in person or by proxy, out of a membership of 1155. The President declared a quorum existent.

The resolution was then read approving the action of the Board of Directors in amending Article V of the Articles of Incorporation of the Cooper Ornithological Club, to include among the stated members of the Board of Governors of

that Club "also such persons as will have served for one year or longer as President of the Northern Division and/or the Southern Division of this Corporation." A motion to adopt this resolution was made by Loye Miller, duly seconded and unanimously carried.

A further resolution was then read amending Article 3 of the By-Laws of the Corporation to include the same statement as to membership in the Board of Governors, and altering the statement regarding the required meetings of said Board. The section regarding the meeting of the Board is to be altered as follows (alteration consists in striking out a part of the former wording here shown in italics): "The Board of Governors may hold such meetings as it may determine, *provided that one meeting shall be held in Northern California each odd numbered year and one meeting shall be held in Southern California each even numbered year.*" Alden Miller moved that this resolution be adopted, Sherwin Wood seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed.

Luther Little then presented the recommendations of the nominating committee for membership in the Board of Directors. The list was as follows: C. V. Duff, W. I. Follett, Hildegard Howard, Jean M. Linsdale, Alden H. Miller, J. R. Pemberton, Howard Robertson, John McB. Robertson, A. J. van Rossem. Loye Miller moved that the nominees proposed by the committee be elected and that appreciation be extended to the previous Board members for their services. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Duff reported on a study made to provide a means whereby members could give more money to the Club. The following changes in memberships were suggested: addition of a sustaining membership at \$5.00 per year, and of a patron's membership for a \$500 donation; raising the amount for a life membership from \$75 to \$100, effective January, 1948. After some discussion, the matter was put in the form of a motion: "To instruct the Board of Directors to take such action as will result in an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws so as to increase the life membership to \$100, as of January 1, 1948, and to add to the classes of membership, patron and sustaining members." The motion was seconded and carried.

As the Southern Division was adjourned for the summer, the secretary of that Division, Miss Groner, read the following list of names proposed for membership: Henry Lewis Batts, Jr., 4930 Washtenaw Rd., Ypsilanti, Mich., H. Storrs Brig-