

The late Florence Merriam Bailey bequeathed to the Cooper Club her collection of bird art (see back cover of this issue for listing) and \$500, both for the Club's Endowment Fund. The grateful appreciation of the Club is herewith expressed for the aid she has thus given to our ornithological undertakings.

On approval of the Board of Directors, the Editor has invited a group of ornithologists removed from the center of principal editorial activity in Berkeley to serve as consultants and advisors with respect to manuscripts and Condor affairs. The following have agreed to serve on this advisory committee in 1951: David E. Davis, Herbert G. Deignan, Jean M. Linsdale, George Lowery, Jr., Ernst Mayr, and Robert W. Storer.

COOPER CLUB MEETINGS

SOUTHERN DIVISION

OCTOBER.—The monthly meeting of the Southern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held October 24, in Hancock Hall, University of Southern California, Los Angeles. The following names were proposed for membership: Mrs. Gladys M. Caprini, 1807 Sacramento St., Vallejo, Calif., by J. McB. Robertson; John Bowman Davidson, P. O. Box 276, Corona del Mar, Calif., by Mrs. J. Q. Burch; Paul A. Florian, 427 W. Colorado, Glendora, Calif., and Dr. Everitt Vincent Payne, 538 East "I" St., Ontario, Calif., both by K. E. Stager; and Francis Raymond, 1029 Cliff Dr. (P. O. Box 2371), Laguna Beach, Calif., by Wade Fox, Jr.

Dr. Robert T. Moore was unanimously elected to Honorary Membership.

Thomas R. Howell, Curator of the Dickey Collections, University of California at Los Angeles, spoke on "The Natural History and Relationships of the Western Sapsuckers."—DOROTHY E. GRONER, *Secretary*.

NORTHERN DIVISION

OCTOBER.—The monthly meeting of the Northern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held in Life Sciences Building, University of California, Berkeley, on October 5, 1950. The following were proposed for membership: Willard D. Hartman, Dept. of Zoology, Univ. of Calif., Berkeley, Calif., by F. A. Pitelka; Joseph J. Zucca, 618 Sanchez St., San Francisco 14, Calif., by Robert T. Orr.

H. L. Cogswell reported a Gray-backed Shearwater on September 10 off the Farallones, a Pectoral Sandpiper at Bay Farm Island on September 24, and a Prairie Falcon at Sears Point on September 30.

Gordon W. Gullion presented the results of his two years research on the behavior of the American Coot in the San Francisco Bay region, illustrating his talk with many very excellent Kodachrome slides.—HENRY E. CHILDS, JR., *Secretary*.

NOVEMBER.—The monthly meeting of the Northern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held in Life Sciences Building, University of California, Berkeley, on November 2, 1950. George Piternick, 2310 Ellsworth St., Berkeley 4, was proposed for membership by F. A. Pitelka.

Dr. H. C. Bryant, former president of the northern division, spoke briefly on bird migration at Grand Canyon National Park.

E. Lowell Sumner, speaker of the evening, discussed the wildlife of the Channel Islands National Monument.—HENRY E. CHILDS, *Secretary*.

DECEMBER.—The monthly meeting of the Northern Division of the Cooper Ornithological Club was held in Room 2503 Life Sciences Building, University of California, Berkeley, on December 7, 1950. The following were proposed for membership: Laurence J. Thompson, 225 Manhattan Beach Blvd., Manhattan Beach, Calif., James Whitehead, Mt. Tamalpais State Park, Mill Valley, both by Frank A. Pitelka; Clare M. Creighton, 1070 3rd St., Hermosa Beach, Calif., by A. H. Miller; Hubert R. MacCarthy, 1006 W. 19th St., North Vancouver, British Columbia, by H. E. Childs.

Dr. Pitelka reported for the Research Committee and announced that the project to be undertaken for the next year was to be devoted to nesting records of the Allen Hummingbird and the Bush-tit. He illustrated the use of such data with a graph showing the breeding seasons of hummingbirds in the Santa Barbara area where the Anna, Allen, Black-chin, and Costa hummingbirds occur.

President Kelly appointed John Chattin, Frank Pitelka, and E. Lowell Sumner, Jr., to the nominating committee.

Mr. Curl reported the Clark Nutcracker, Evening Grosbeak, and Townsend Solitaire at Fremont Peak State Park on November 11.

Dr. Charles G. Sibley spoke on his recent field experiences in western Mexico and showed Kodachrome slides taken on the trip.—HENRY E. CHILDS, JR., *Secretary*.