

and contained one egg. On the 22d the nest was again visited and found deserted, and the eggs, four in all, appeared to have been frozen and were very much broken up.

This is a very premature nesting period for this species in this locality and it has excited my curiosity as to whether other observers have located similar nests. The only other instance on which I have located a nest of the Bluebird earlier than April 15, was on April 8, 1906. This later was found in an old apple tree in Bloomfield, N. J., and had three young birds about two days old when discovered.

LOUIS S. KOHLER, Bloomfield, N. J.

ADDITIONAL VERNACULAR NAME FOR THE FLICKER (*Colaptes auratus*).—It is known to native Floridians in this part of the state as "Cotton-backed Yellowhammer." The first part of the name is to distinguish it from the Red-bellied Woodpecker, which they sometimes call simply the "Yellowhammer."

G. CLYDE FISHER, De Funiak Springs, Fla.

PERSONALS

OUR MEMBERS HERE AND THERE.

Mr. Chreswell J. Hunt, the well known secretary of the Delaware Valley Ornithological Club, has moved to Oak Park, Ill., and will now have an opportunity to work in a new field. We give him the glad hand shake in the great Middle West.

Dr. B. R. Bales, who is not only an ardent ornithologist, but also quite a lepidopterist, intends to buy an automobile in order to cover long distances to various bird homes in his vicinity. He reports the taking of three Ring-necked Ducks at Circleville this spring, quite a good record for Ohio, proving the Dr. to be always on the go in spite of his busy professional life.

Now why did you forget to send your Field Notes to the Wilson Bulletin?. Yes, why!?

Professor C. R. Keyes of Mt. Vernon, Ia., at one time secretary of that wide-awake organization, the Cooper Club, recently joined our ranks. He has quite an article of decided merit on the Great Horned Owls in the New York Independent of April 21, 1910.

Mr. Ruthven Deane reports a number of Purple Martins picked up in an exhausted condition at Evanston, north of Chicago, after the severe storm of April.

Good Field Notes are the making of a magazine! Hence, send yours to the Wilson Bulletin.

The "Bloomington (Ill.) Pantagraph" and other papers contain lengthy articles on the good work done by our new member, Isaac E. Hess, the poet-naturalist of Philo, Ill., in regard to establishing a closed season of three years for poor Bob-white in Illinois. We are glad the newspapers are waking up, together with the people in general. Keep up the good work, Mr. Hess.

We understand that the extensive oölogical collection of our fellow member, W. Lee Chambers of Santa Monica, California, has lately passed into the hands of Hon. R. M. Barnes, another member of our club. Both of our members are well known to the ornithological world as first-class bird men of national repute.

Can't some of our Pacific Coast men give us some Field Notes from that interesting region?

Miss Laura Gano, who found Bachmann's Sparrow at Cincinnati, and Professor Amos W. Butler, the well known author of the "Birds of Indiana," a splendid book, are the first two ornithologists of the "Hoosier State" to become members of the Wilson Club. We are glad to see them in our midst. It is quality that counts, not quantity!

Some years ago we were promised an extensive list on the Birds of Texas (North American Fauna No. 25) by Harry C. Oberholser, so far it seems to have meandered into oblivion, to our regret, for we know of no man more capable and better equipped to do this work than our distinguished member, of whom we men of the "Buckeye State" are justly proud.

Mr. Norman A. Wood has informed us that two Kirtland Warblers had been taken at Catawba by Mr. Holt of Toledo, on May 16, 1909, and that he has secured one of them for his private collection. This is a fine record and should have been sent to the Wilson Bulletin long ago.

We have been patiently waiting for the "Birds of Michigan," which we have heard is under preparation by Professor W. B. Barrows and hope to soon see a copy of it. Professor Barrows is best known through his work on the birds of Uruguay and on the English Sparrow, both models in regard to accuracy and painstaking care, and we are sure his "Birds of Michigan" will rank deservedly high among ornithological works.

Now let's all "pull together" and make this magazine the best one the world has ever seen. Begin by sending in your Field Notes! Begin now!

W. F. H.