FROM OUR PRESIDENT

During this time of financial stress, it is very important that bird study and nature work be not neglected. For those who can see and hear, nature offers solace, quiet, and sanity. Never was it more essential for people to keep their feet on the ground, and to have a means of getting away for a time from the toil and strife of everyday life. Never has it been more desirable to keep up the work of organizations like the Wilson Ornithological Club, and to exert every effort to encourage people to hold their faith in the natural world, and in the world of man as well.

With these things in mind your President has been writing personal letters to the membership urging that they contribute to the resources of the Club by raising the membership rank, or in other ways. The need is a real one, but it is temporary; and we will be glad to see our organization pass through the crisis in a creditable manner. Our chief duty concerns the publication of the magazine. Can you assist?

JESSE M. SHAVER, President.

FROM OUR SECRETARY

Today many scientific and educational projects are being curtailed or abolished because of financial difficulties. Conservation, bird study, and wild life interests in general are receiving setbacks. Because of this they need our attention more now than ever before. We have but one choice—to go on.

Some of our members have been forced to discontinue. Those of us who remain must go on with increased enthusiasm. We hope that each member may do something to increase our membership. The Secretary will be glad to receive the names of any prospective members, to whom he will then extend the invitation to membership. Our organization has weathered the storm of existence for forty-four years, and there is no question of survival; but we dislike to give up ground that we have laboriously gained. If you can help, perhaps this is the time.

LAWRENCE E. HICKS, Secretary,

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Annual	Meetings	of	the	Wilson	Ornithol	ogical	Club
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	Retiring
1914—Chicago. February 5. Chicago Academy of Sciences.	President
1914—Chicago. December 29-30. New Morrison Hotel	r. C. Stephens
1915—Columbus. December 28-29. With the A. A. A. S	Γ. C. Stephens
1916—ChicagoDecember 27-28. New Morrison Hotel	
1917—Pittsburgh. January 1-2, 1918 With the A. A. A. S	3.
1918—No meeting on account of the exigencies of war.	
1919—St. Louis. December 29-80. With the A. A. A. S.	
1920-Chicago. December 27-28.	
With the A. A. A. S	
The Field MuseumT.	
1923—Cincinnati. Dec. 81, 1928-Jan With the A. A. A. ST.	. 1, 1924. L. Hankinson
1924—Nashville. November 28-29-30 Peabody College	
1925—Kansas City. December 28-29 With the A. A. A. S).
1926—Chicago. November 26-27. Chicago Academy of Sciences	
1927—Nashville, Dec. 80, 1927-Jan. With the A. A. A. S	1, 1928.
1928-Ann Arbor. Nov. 31-Dec. 1, 1	928.
Museum of Zoology	
With the A. A. A. S	
With the A. A. A. S	9.
With the A. A. A. S	J. W. Stack