EDITORIAL

There still seems to be some misapprehension among Wilson Club members in regard to the significance of the several classes of membership. To make the matter quite clear we may say that only in the case of Honorary Members does the Club make any attempt to recognize achievement in ornithology or service to the organization. The other classes of membership simply give the bird student who appreciates particularly the work of our Club a chance to give it stronger backing to the extent that he is able. A number of our members have already generously increased their membership this year, thus strengthening our organization and enlarging the scope of its work. We hope that other members planning help in this way will write to our Treasurer in time for him to make the necessary correction in the complete membership list which is to be published in the September Bulletin.

We have had such an enthusiastic response to our suggestion in the March *Bulletin* that we propose to begin in an early issue publishing information on current research projects in ornithology. In the beginning at least, we should like to emphasize the more extended studies of single species. We now solicit such information. Please include all studies not yet published but do not report projects which are merely planned or barely begun. For the information of the Editor only, please indicate when the work was begun.

OBITUARY

CLAUD B. TICEHURST, noted British ornithologist and editor of *The Ibis*, died on February 17, 1941. His early work was mainly concerned with British birds but showed a remarkable breadth and originality. Following his service in India during the World War, he published extensively on European and African birds and became a leading authority on the birds of British India.

ELMER T. JUDD of Cando, North Dakota, died on February 27, 1941. Mr. Judd worked in the field on North Dakota birds with Louis B. Bishop, William Hoyt, Arthur C. Bent, Norman A. Wood, and others and was himself an authority on the birds of the state.

ORNITHOLOGICAL NEWS

The Wildlife Society has made its annual award for the outstanding paper of the year 1940 to Dr. Paul L. Errington, Mrs. Frances Hamerstrom and F. N. Hamerstrom, Jr., for their research bulletin on "The Great Horned Owl and Its Prey in North Central United States." The award is in the nature of an engrossed scroll and a citation in *The Journal of Wildlife Management*. (Science, 93, April 11, 1941: 346).

C. Gordon Fredine, formerly game and fish consultant with the Minnesota Department of Conservation, has been appointed Assistant Professor of Wildlife Management at Purdue University where he will be engaged in research upon wildlife problems.

Maurice Brooks will teach this summer at the University of Minnesota Biological Station at Itasca Park.

S. Morris Pell has been appointed manager of the Huron Mountain Club, west of Marquette, Michigan.

The Boston Society of Natural History announces that original, unpublished essays on any subject in the field of ornithology are eligible for the Walker Prize competition for 1942. For details apply to the Secretary, 234 Berkeley Street, Boston, Massachusetts, after August 15, 1941. Manuscripts are due on May 1, 1942.