

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE FOR 1947

This Committee conceives its purpose to be dual: to increase the resources of the Wilson Ornithological Club Library and to make sure that the Library's facilities are known to all Members of the Club. During 1947 the Committee has directed its efforts toward this end.

Although a number of Members have been very generous in their donations to the Library, special mention should be made of the recent contributions of two men: 51 books and 372 bulletins and reprints, donated by Lynds Jones; Beebe's monumental 4-volume "Monograph of the Pheasants" (1918-22), donated by Herbert L. Stoddard. Total donations to the Library, as reported in the four *Bulletins* of 1947, are: bulletins and reprints, 867; books, 76.

In the June 1947 *Bulletin* appeared an announcement of a Book Purchase Fund to which Members might contribute for the purchase of recently published books for the Library. Contributions to this fund in recent months have made possible the purchase of "Darwin's Finches" (1947), by David Lack, and "Modern Bird Study" (1945), by Ludlow Griscom.

The Committee would like to enlist the assistance of all interested Club Members in writing people who have books and reprints suitable for the Library.

The Committee acknowledges the help it has received from the Officers of the Club, particularly from the Editor of the *Bulletin*.

Respectfully submitted,

December 31, 1947

Harold F. Mayfield, *Chairman*.

THE WILSON ORNITHOLOGICAL CLUB LIBRARY

The following gifts have been recently received. From:

Elizabeth B. Beard—3 reprints	Robert M. Mengel—11 reprints
Ralph Beebe—16 magazines	D. S. Miller—11 magazines
Adrian C. Fox—2 reprints	Margaret M. Nice—1 book
Ludlow Griscom—61 reprints	Eugene P. Odum—7 reprints
Fr. Haverschmidt—7 reprints	Walter E. Scott—1 bulletin, 3 journals
Haven Kolb—7 bulletins	W. E. Clyde Todd—9 reprints
Amelia R. Laskey—9 reprints	Wilson Tout—1 book
George H. Lowery, Jr.—9 reprints	Josselyn Van Tyne—2 books, 2 bulletins
Robert A. McCabe—1 periodical (6 vol. set)	Lawrence H. Walkinshaw—2 reprints
Harold Mayfield—1 book	K. A. Wodzicki—7 reprints
Rosario Mazzeo—1 book	

Among the recent gifts are Trelease and Yule's "Preparation of Scientific and Technical Papers" (3rd ed., 1936); Fr. Haverschmidt's "Faunistisch Overzicht van de Nederlandsch Broedvogels" (1942); and a number of standard State and local lists, as well as the new "Lincoln County [Nebraska] Birds" by Wilson Tout (1947). Also included are several recently published non-technical books on birds: Malcolm MacDonald's "The Birds of Brewery Creek" (1947); J. J. Murray's "Wild Wings" (1947); H. H. Kopman's "Wild Acres" (1946); R. M. Saunders' "Flashing Wings" (1947); and Phyllis Barclay-Smith's "Garden Birds" (1946), with its splendid reproductions of some of the Gould plates.

With the Book Purchase fund, the Library Committee has purchased Griscom's "Modern Bird Study" (1945) and David Lack's "Darwin's Finches" (1947).

Information on the use of the Library will be found on the inside front cover of each issue of *The Wilson Bulletin*.

REPORT OF THE LOUIS AGASSIZ FUERTES
RESEARCH GRANT COMMITTEE

The Research Committee of the Wilson Ornithological Club has been functioning since its formation in March 1947 with appointments made by President Sutton. The first formal meeting of the Committee was held in Columbus on November 28, 1947.

An announcement of the Fuertes Research Grants, provided through the generosity of an anonymous friend of the Club, was made in the March 1947 issue of *The Wilson Bulletin*. Five applications were received in response to this announcement. These applications were reviewed by members of the Committee and rated on the basis of: a) merits of the project, b) prospects of successful completion of the project, c) displayed or reported ability of the applicant, and d) financial need of the applicant. After due consideration of several excellent applications the award for 1947 was granted to Mr. Leonard Mewaldt, a graduate student at Montana State University, in recognition of, and for use in, his studies of the life history of Clark's Nutcracker.

November 29, 1947

John T. Emlen, *Chairman*

NEW LIFE MEMBERS



DOUGLAS SCOTT MILLER, of Toronto, Canada, has been a member of the Wilson Ornithological Club since 1939. After spending three years overseas as a member of the Royal Canadian Air Force, he assisted in the Department of Lands and Forests Research Division and studied for a time at the University of Toronto. He is now in the Wildlife Division of the Department of Lands and Forests.



MARGARET D. FEIGLEY, a member of the Wilson Ornithological Club since 1944, teaches biology and social studies in the Skokie Junior High School, Winnetka, Illinois. She received the B.S. degree from the University of Minnesota, the Master's from the University of Michigan. She is an active supporter of several scientific societies and is particularly interested in the conservation of our bird population.