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A WORD TO MEMBERS

The Wilson Bulletin is not as large as we want it to be. It will become larger as funds for publication increase. The Society loses money, and the size of the Bulletin is cut down accordingly, each time a member fails to pay dues and is put on the "suspended list." Postage is used in notifying the printer of this suspension. More postage is used in notifying the member and urging him to pay his dues. When he does finally pay he must be reinstated in the mailing list and there is a printer's charge for this service. The Bulletin will become larger if members will make a point of paying their dues promptly.

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NEEDS OF THE WILSON ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY (See committee reports inside.)

More Members—We need to increase our number to at least 2000. We could do this with only a little effort through selective solicitation by our approximately 1500 current members, each one of whom undoubtedly knows someone willing to join the Society for mutual benefit. A larger membership would enable us to increase the size of the Bulletin.

Larger Funds-

Endowment: Life Memberships (\$100) and Patronships (\$500 minimum) are our chief sources for this fund.

Research: The Society's Fuertes Research Grant, to encourage ornithological research work by amateur and professional, was not made last year because of a lack of money in that fund. In order to make a grant for this year, money has to be taken from the General Fund of the Society.

Library: The Library Book Fund enables the Library Committee to keep the holdings up to date and to fill gaps in the collection.

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