

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The proposed agreement with the Auburn University Library has been completed and will become a great help to Ornithology in Alabama. Be sure to read the following article by Dr. Julian Dusi, who has been appointed Library Committee Chairman, to fully understand its needs and benefits.

Official duties will keep me quite busy over at Sumpter Farms, Geiger, Alabama, most of the Winter. I'll be working on the deer trapping and transporting program. We have trapped about 30 deer so far and expect to handle about 300-400 this Winter. The Department of Conservation is undertaking this program to plant deer in all parts of our great state so that more areas can enjoy seeing the interesting wildlife.

Of course, I will be watching birdlife on every opportunity and hope to have some interesting data for the next issue of ALABAMA BIRDLIFE. May we urge you to send in your observations also.

Dues for 1963 are due January 1. However, our new members who joined after October 15 will be considered paid through 1963.

Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year

BOB SKINNER

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An A.O.S. membership makes a nice Christmas gift!

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BIRDS HAVE TO EAT TOO!

THE ALABAMA ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY LIBRARY  
AT AUBURN UNIVERSITY

by Julian L. Dusi

The Alabama Ornithological Society Library at Auburn University has been established as a service to the membership and Society and to further the study of ornithology in Alabama.

Through the agreement, any member of the Society will be able to use books or journals from this library by applying to his local library for their use through interlibrary loan service. The Library will grow through gifts of books and journals from the membership and from exchanges of Alabama Birdlife for other journals. The Library of Auburn University will house the stock of back issues of Alabama Birdlife, giving them the safe permanent storage that has been so long needed.

Under the agreement, a local Library Committee representative is necessary to coordinate its workings. President Robert W. Skinner has appointed the writer to this post. As a first step in this duty, the soliciting of books and journals for the library must be done. Many of us have books and journals pertaining to ornithology which we are using very little. Presenting these to the Library will help it to grow rapidly and be of greater service to us all. Gifts should be sent to me at the Department of Zoology-Entomology, Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama.

Following is the agreement in the form that is in the process of being signed by the principal parties:

PROPOSED AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ALABAMA  
ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY AND THE LIBRARY OF  
AUBURN UNIVERSITY IN THE  
ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ORNITHOLOGICAL LIBRARY

This Agreement, made this 20th day of November, 1962, between the Alabama Ornithological Society and the Auburn University Library:

Witnesseth, as follows: