

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



On the 22, 23, 24, and 25th of April, 1971, our Alabama Ornithological Society will be hosts to the Wilson Ornithological Society on Dauphin Island. We welcome this erudite society to Alabama.

To honor:

W. H. Gunn, Toronto, President

Pershing B. Hofslund, Duluth, 1st Vice-President

Kenneth C. Parkes, Pittsburg, 2nd Vice-President

George A. Hall, Morgantown, Editor

Jeff Swinebroad, Gaithersburg, Secretary

and

William A. Klamm, Lakewood, Treasurer

Alabama says welcome to all of you and your people.

All reports from Wilson officials and from Dr. M. Wilson Gaillard, General Chairman of the combined meetings and Thomas A. Imhof, Co-Chairman and Field Trip leader, indicate this will be a record meeting for both societies: record attendance and record program quality.

Of greatest interest of course to our membership will be the presentations of our members and other outstanding ornithologists of our area with whom we are all well acquainted. Our Henry M. Stevenson of Florida State will be the first to appear on the program. Dr. Stevenson presents "The Recent History of Bachman's Warbler" at 11:10 a.m. Friday, April 24. Our Julian T. and Rosemary Dusi appear in the afternoon with their research on Cattle Egrets. Then probably the greatest interest will be centered around the Saturday morning program when Henry Stevenson will appear again with Dr. George Lowery and Dr. Robert Newman of Louisiana State in a symposium on migration that always is an interesting and baffling mystery.

We are ending our year with high excitement in a joint convention of major importance.

Walter F. Coxe, President