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Earle Greene's
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An Ornithological Logbook¹

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The Fifth Semi-annual Meeting of the Georgia Ornithological Society was held in Brunswick on April 15-16, with headquarters at the Oglethorpe Hotel. A business session, a banquet and field trip were participated in by the members and guests. The most outstanding event to me was the attendance at the banquet of Sir Wilfred Grenfell, that great humanitarian from Labrador, who was recuperating on St. Simons Island. The day before I ascertained, while looking for birds on the island, that he was staying with members of his family in one of the cottages. On meeting him and telling him about our forthcoming banquet, the nurse shook her head when I asked if he would be our guest. However, he looked at me and said, "I will be there" and sure enough he was and made a short talk on his work among the fishermen and Eskimos and something about the birds in Labrador. As President I presented Dr. DeLoach as Toastmaster. George Dorsey charmed us as usual with his songs and calls of birds. Although I have heard a number of imitators, I consider George as tops in his line. More than sixty members and guests were on hand from many parts of the state. With Mrs. Berrie and her committee as hosts, this gathering was one of the best I attended.



Image from
old postcard
found on the
web. – Steve
Holzman,
January 2017

¹Out of print, but a few copies can be found [online](#).