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The time has come for G. O. S.
To try out something new,
So here's a note with bits of news
To interest each of you -

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU - all the folks in the Milledgeville Audubon Society who recently celebrated the Thirtieth Anniversary of their club with a lovely dinner party and program. A beautiful booklet, the cover designed by Dick Parks, was published for the occasion and gives a most interesting account of the history and activities of this group.

THE CALLAWAY GARDENS on the week-end of November 12-13 was the setting of an enjoyable bird meeting planned by a group from the Atlanta Bird Club. Several birders from Rome, Sandersville, and West Point joined in the fun. Thanks to Winn Shaughnessy for all that he did to add to the pleasure of the week-end. He and Harold Peters led the field trips and a total of fifty-one species was recorded. Winn's station wagon with the wording on the doors - Callaway Gardens - Bird Study Program - attracted much attention.

THE ATLANTA BIRD CLUB, on completion of the 1960 Christmas Census, is publishing a Twenty Year List which can soon be secured from Rufus Godwin.

BILL GRIFFIN AND DICK PARKS are now preparing a revised list of birds of the Atlanta area. Good work, fellows.

THE OKEFENOKEE BIRD CLUB met with the Jacksonville Audubon Society the week-end of November 19 for birding at St. Mary's, Crooked River, and Point Peter. The group came up with a total of seventy-four species and reports a grand time.

CONGRATULATIONS TO DICK PARKS who has recently signed a contract to illustrate the new book "Birds of Alabama" which is now being written by Tom Imhof. Dick did it again when the cover of the July issue of "Wildlife in North Carolina" depicted his drawing of the spotted sandpiper.

ROMANS ALTA STEVENS, DOTTIE AND PHIL HAM had some very interesting experiences birding along with their travels in Europe during the late summer and fall. The Rome club has already seen and enjoyed pictures taken by the Hams and now looks forward to a program by Alta giving an account of her trip.

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ADA TOOMBS AND DON SINGLETARY, both of Atlanta, continue most enthusiastic about their experiences in National Audubon Camps last summer. Ada attended the Maine Camp and Don the Audubon Camp in California. Congratulations to Don who is the new President of the Atlanta Bird Club.

BEGIN NOW - make plans to attend one of the National Audubon Camps during the coming summer. Perhaps Santa put this trip in the toe of your Christmas stocking!

HAROLD PETERS really covers the miles! He attended the Fifty-sixth Annual Meeting of the National Audubon Society in New York, has been to Saskatchewan, North Dakota, Texas, and New Mexico on a study of sandhill cranes. Fay has been along and enjoyed some of these trips.

JERE CATER, of Warner Robins, had some wonderful experiences at the National Boy Scout Jamboree at Colorado Springs during last summer.

LOUIS FINK, who does a fine job editing the Atlanta Bird Club Bulletin, had a real field day while doing some intensive birding on Lake Erie near Cleveland, Ohio, in early October.

THE FLOYD COUNTY AUDUBON SOCIETY and the Atlanta Bird Club are looking forward to the next Audubon Screen Tour by Cleveland P. Grant in February. In Rome he will present "Land of Early Autumn" and in Atlanta "Heart of the Wild."

THE CHRISTMAS CENSUS is over and the New Year is upon us so to all groups everywhere - best wishes for Good Birding in 1961.

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