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ATLANTA BIRD CLUB lists officers for the new year as follows: President, Mr. Jay G. Brower; Vice President, Mr. Robert Overing; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Verne E. Hill; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. D.N. Stevens; and Treasurer, Mr. C.N. Einhorn. A worthy slate of officers, sure to do an outstanding job.

"LADY O" HONORED - At the December meeting, the Atlanta Bird Club showed its respect and affection for "Lady O" (Mrs. James C. Oliver) by presenting her with an Honorary Life Membership in the club. Congratulations to this honored one who is so beloved by all who know her.

CHATTAHOOCHEE VALLEY NATURAL HISTORY CLUB is this year presenting Audubon Wildlife Films for the first time. Income from ticket sales by the night of the first presentation surpassed the cost of the entire series. This shows hard work and a well-done job on what is a real contribution to the area.

WILDFLOWER PILGRIMAGE - The Fifteenth Annual Spring Wildflower Pilgrimage to see the Great Smokies in full bloom is set for April 22-24. Guided motorcades and hikes, lectures, flower identification tours, early morning bird trips will high-light the spring event. Botanists from several colleges in the area will conduct the tours. For more detailed information, write: The Naturalist Service, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Gatlinburg, Tenn.

ROME OFFICERS FOR 1965 - The Floyd County Audubon Society elected new officers at the January meeting as follows: George A. Dorsey, President; First Vice President, Mrs. Harlan Starr, Sr.; Second Vice President, Mr. Wilson Lovett; Secretary, Mrs. W.A. DuPre; Treasurer, Mrs. Byron Eberhart, Sr. With such able leadership the club is sure to have a successful year.

VOICE OF AUDUBON - Among the seemingly endless variety of uses of the telephone today is "Voice of Audubon" in Boston, which acts as a kind of bird-watcher, telling callers just which birds have been seen locally.

MONARCH BUTTERFLY MIGRATION - At the fall meeting of GOS in Thomasville, near the Light House at St. Marks, one of the groups of birders came upon a massive confrontation of thousands of migrating Monarchs. "Lady O" of Atlanta reports: "The roadside, grasses, and goldenrod were great masses of animated blobs of brown! They were everywhere -- in the cars, in the air, on the ground! ...An added interest was any number of Cattle Egrets, entirely oblivious to traffic, with outstretched necks and bills in a frantic effort to stab a butterfly, which they succeeded in doing, time and again. This was a memorable experience."

WISCONSIN CAMP DIRECTOR MOURNED - Georgians, and campers from many other states, who have attended the Audubon Camp in Wisconsin, were grieved to learn of the death on December 26, 1964, of Robert W. Hanlon, Camp Director since 1961 and Bahamas Consultant for the National Audubon Society. Bob was outstanding in his position as Camp Director, and his enthusiasm and able leadership made each experience at Hunt Hill memorable for all campers. A splendid picture of Bob appeared on the inner cover of Audubon Magazine for September-October.

GOS MEMBER WRITES BOOK - A delightful book, entitled "Birds Around Us," was written by GOS member Mrs. C.H.Muller (formerly Marjorie Stuart) of Decatur. This interesting book has been published by Whitman Publishing Company, as one of the "Learn About" series for children. Mrs. Muller, formerly a member of the Oklahoma Ornithological Society, and of the Oklahoma Academy of Science, is now a librarian at Georgia Tech.

"TROUBLED WATERS" is the title of a thirty-minute 16mm color film, narrated by Henry Fonda, and produced by the Senate Public Works Committee to tell the story of water pollution. Prints are available on a loan basis, and can be secured by writing to the Senator Edmund S. Muskie, Chairman, Sub-committee on Air and Water Pollution, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. (Note--program committee chairmen might take notice).

A PERSONAL NOTE - Dear GOS Friends: This is my first personal note to you since I became editor of "Chirps" with the first issue in December of 1960. It has been real fun gathering news about so many of you and passing it on. There have been many pleasant and some very sad events to be reported but, for the most part, it has been accounts of happy occurrences which I trust have made interesting reading, and have helped us keep in touch with one another. Now I am no longer resident in Georgia (it is hard to realize this at times!). Near the end of October I moved from Rome to Knoxville, Tennessee, to be near my brother and his family. I have already become active in the Knoxville Chapter of TOS, where I am making nice friends. I was a participant in the Smoky Mountains Christmas Bird Count, and have been on several very interesting field trips. I am attending the Audubon Wildlife Films here. But, so much for me, now back to "Chirps." I am still a part of GOS -- heart-wise (always) and dues-wise (ask Kitty). I plan to be with you as often as possible at GOS meetings. I leave it to the officers and to you as to the future of "Chirps," but, please---let's keep it going! I shall be glad to serve (with your continued help, which is now needed more than ever) until such time as you see fit to make other plans. Please send news letters, bulletins, and notes to me at my new address. To all of you who have been so helpful to me in performing this very pleasant task, I convey my sincere appreciation. If any of you are ever in this area -- please remember my latch-string is always out to any GOS member. I do hope to see some of you at the Wildflower Pilgrimage in the Smokies.

Good birding to you all!

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REPORT OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER

Miss Louise Nunnally, editor of the sprightly CHIRPS, has left Georgia and moved to Knoxville. If her bulletin is not a part of this mailing, you will know why.

CIRCULATION OF THE ORIOLE:

12 subscriptions dropped in 1963; 36 in 1964 (one death.)

We hope there will be few ornithological drop-outs this year.

The exchange list is now up to 35, and we are grateful to W. Porter Kellam, of the University of Georgia, for a workmanlike job in handling exchanges.

Not counting the exchanges, we have subscribers in 23 States, the Canal Zone, District of Columbia, New Zealand and Canada.

PAID SUBSCRIBERS:

	<u>10/1/62</u>	<u>2/15/65</u>
Life members (\$50)	8	9
Library (\$2)	19	27
Regular (\$2 or \$3)	160	201
Sustaining (\$5)	17	28
Exchanges (Free)	<u>39</u>	<u>35</u>
	243	300

We have reached the magic number of 300, but there is the danger that a few may not renew for 1965. Local bird clubs were asked to help us solicit members for G.O.S. by furnishing prospects, but only the Atlanta Bird Club cooperates.

AVAILABLE - Back copies of THE ORIOLE - 50 cents, postpaid.

Pocket Check List of Georgia Birds - 50 cents, postpaid.

Birdlife of Savannah River Delta - \$1.50, postpaid.

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