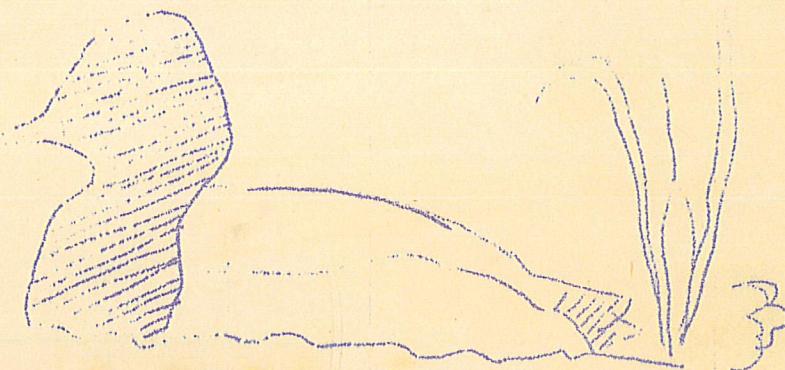


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PROGRAM FOR OCTOBER

October 11

Regular Meeting, Lecture Room, Charleston Museum, 8:00 p.m.

Birds- Color Slides. Speaker Stanley Langston

Sunday October 16

Short Field Trip: Wallace Pond- Sauldham Church Road

Meet Dupont Crossing 6:30 a.m. Leader, W. W. Coleman

BIRD MOVEMENT IN OCTOBER
(in the Charleston Area)

Arrivals

2 Gannet	9 White-crowned Sparrow	20 Lesser Scaup
Red-breasted Merganser	10 Red-necked Grebe	21 Ring-necked Duck
Brown Creeper	Golden-crowned Kinglet	Henslow's Sparrow
White-throated Sparrow	11 Common Sooter	22 Whistling Swan
4 Yellow-Bell. Sapsucker	Bonapart's Gull (Coleman)	23 Spng-eared Owl
Western Kingbird	13 Solitary Vireo	24 Surf Scoter
(Mrs. A. W. Bachman)	Savannah Sparrow	25 LeConte's Sparrow
Kirkland's Warbler	15 Red-throated Loon	Horned Grebe
Slate-colored Junco	Yellow Rail	26 Short-eared Owl
5 Green-winged Teal	16 Snow Goose	Snowy Owl
American Avocet	17 Common Loon	29 Hooded Merganser
7 Canada Goose	Robin	31 Canvasback
8 Purple Finch	18 Hermit Thrush	Greater Scaup
1st week Blue Goose	19 Rusty Blackbird	Pine Siskin

Departures					
6	Black & White Warbler	16	Eastern Kingbird	26	Chestnut-sided Warbler
7	Chuck-will's widow (B.R. Chamberlain)*	17	Wilson's Plover	27	Swainson's Warbler
9	Black Tern	19	Black Thr. Green Warbler	28	Upland Plover
	Acadian Flycatcher	20	Wh.-rumped Sandpiper		Least Tern
14	Roseate Spoonbill		Stilt Sandpiper		Cliff Swallow
	Summer Tanager	22	Wood Thrush		Parula Warbler
15	Wilson's Petrel		Blackburnian Warbler	29	Yellow Warbler
	Rough-winged Swallow		Northern Waterthrush		Kirkland's Warbler
	Hooded Warbler	23	Mississippi Kite	30	Pectoral Sandpiper
	Blue Grosbeak	24	Kentucky Warbler		Eastern Wood Pewee
	Lark Sparrow	25	Northern Phalarope		Sandwich Tern
16	Gull-billed Tern		Black-billed Cuckoo	?	Purple Gallinule
		26	Gr.-crested Flycatcher	?	Roseate Tern

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Migration Notes

Due to Mr. Williams' illness and death we have been obliged to abandon publishing our semi-annual records of early arrival and late departure of spring and fall migrants. We expect to set up a similar method of recording these dates before too long, so please hold on to any records you may have.

BILLS

Here's that ugly word again!. With this issue you will receive bills for next year's dues, regrettably \$2.00 each instead of \$1.00 as in the past. A few members have not paid 1965-1966 dues. They will be kept on the books until December. After that we will assume that they wish to withdraw from the Society and their names will be dropped from the mailing list. So, please pay up. We don't want to lose you. Send your remittance to I.S.H. Metcalf, 806 Condon Dr., Battery Point, Charleston or bring it with you to the meeting.

Sky-Watcher's Guide

Through no fault of our faithful sky-watcher, Miss Elizabeth Simons, our skies were vacant in September. Your editor, knowing she would be out of town most of August, took time by the forelock and wrote, uncorrected and got ready for mailing the September Squawk before she left. Miss Simons, coming back from vacation, prepared her September skies and mailed it in plenty of time, but, alas, the editor's mail was held for her at the post office until the 30th. and on that date also the editor, feeling very virtuous, put the carefully prepared issue in the mail. Hence no September skies. October will also be blank sky-wise as pressure of work will prevent Miss Simons preparing one before another temporary absence of the editor. Our apologies, please.

Programs and Trips.

On the next page you will find the full schedule of next year's activities. The executive committee believes that we have a most interesting program for the coming year.

Our schedule is printed in advance in order that you may pick out those programs and trips which appeal to you most. Mark the dates on your calendar and come to as many as you can. The place and time of departure for each trip will be printed in the Squawk of the month of the particular trip.

PROGRAMS AND TRIPS 1966-1967

1966

Sept. 15 Executive Meeting.

Oct. 11 Regular Meeting. Birds with color slides. Speaker Stanley Langston
Oct. 16 (Sun.) Short Trip - Wallace Pond - Sauldau Church Road. Leader Coleman

Nov. 8 Meeting. Bird Banding Results T. A. Beckett, III

Nov. 13 (Sun.) All day trip Kiawah Island. Leader H. W. Freeman

Dec. No meeting or trip

Dec. 31 (Sat.) Annual Bird Count

1967

Jan. 10 Meeting - Frogs. Speaker- Julian Harrison

Jan. 15 (Sun.) Long trip Camp Seewee and areas east of Cooper. Leader Beckett

Feb. 14 Meeting (preceded by Ex. Com. 7:30 p.m.) 8:00 p.m. Planetarium - Miss Simons

Feb. 18 (Sat.) Bull's Island. Leader E.B. Chamberlain

Mar. 14 Meeting. Bob Luns - Marsh lands.

Mar. 18 (Sat.) Short trip Ft. Dorchester- Bee's Ferry- Leaders Metcalf and Coleman

April 11 Meeting Wild Flowers - specimens- Speaker Mrs. W.M. MacLennan

April 16 Long trip Adam's Run etc. Leader Mrs. Leonard Glover

April 29 (Sat.) Spring Bird Count

May 9 Annual Meeting - election of officers. Speaker to be announced.

May 14 (Sun.) Short trip to Metcalf place "Landsend" John's Island.

June 13 Ex. Com. Meeting

"GREAT SOARING BIRDS"

This summer while re-reading some of Herbert R. Sass' little nature gems, in two of them entitled Great Soaring Birds and Sea Island Magic, I came across the following paragraphs. Read them and weep!

"Here in the Low Country is a sky alive not only with shifting shapes of cloud, but also with big birds ++++.

Up from the marsh close to our boat, rose suddenly a large flock of ibises ++++ a cloud of great long-necked birds, 5? of them in all, as big as geese and far more beautiful despite their grotesque naked necks and heavy bills, +++++ That was only the first flock of many ++++ for forty miles or so there was scarcely a minute when there were no ibis in sight."

Alas, who has seen even one Wood Ibis lately?

Since preparing the above paragraphs I have had a report from John Metcalf of a flock of about 50 Wood Ibis which he saw on a creek on James Island the last part of August, and Ted Beckett also reports that he has seen small flocks on John's Island and Bulls each time he has gone there throughout the summer, so perhaps they are making a comeback.

By-the-way, those of you who have never read any of Mr. Sass' delightful stories in three volumes, *The Way of the Wild*, *Adventures in Green Places* and *On the Wings Of a Bird*, now unfortunately out of print, have missed some of the most beautiful tales of nature.

W.M.C.

Most grateful thanks to my daughter-in-law, Mrs. Teague Coleman for cutting the stencil for this issue and thus enabling me to get it out nearly on time. Any mistakes are mine, not hers.