June, 1959

A.O.U. Meeting, Regina, August 25-30

All members of the S.N.H.S. seriously interested in birds are reminded that the feature of 1959 will be the meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union in Regina, August 25-30.

PLACE:

Saskatchewan Museum of Natural History.

PROGRAMME:

Tuesday, August 25: Registration (afternoon and evening); business meetings (Council Members, Fellows, Elective Members only); Museum Open House 7:00-10:00 p.m. (films at 8:00, informal reception at 9:00).

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Thursday, August 27: Registration (all day); papers sessions (all day); picnic supper Wascana Park 6.30 p.m.; film programme at Museum 8:30 p.m. Friday, August 28: Papers sessions (all day); annual banquet 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, August 29: All-day field trip to north end of Last Mountain Lake, buses leaving Regina College at 7:00 a.m.

Sunday, August 30: Additional local field trip.

All activities (except the business meetings) are open to non A.O.U. members. There will be a registration fee of \$2.00, and an activities fee of \$3.00 (covering banquet, receptions at Museum and Art Gallery, field trips, etc.). The local A.O.U. committee hopes to have certain funds to assist student ornithologists and serious young amateur bird students to come from various parts of Canada to the Regina meeting. Chairman of the Students Grants Committee is Joyce Dew, Saskatchewan Museum of Natural History, Regina.

Further information about the programme is available in the A.O.U. circular of information which will be mailed upon request from the Museum.

Co-operative Bird Migration Study

For the past six years, hundreds of observers have been co-operating in a continent-wide study of the spring migration of a selected list of species of birds, carried out under the auspices of the U.S.A. Fish and Wildlife Service. This year the **Blue Jay** is again participating in the study, and members are asked to submit the records that they have been keeping of the 1959 spring migration. You will remember that information is requested on first seen dates and if possible dates of peak migration and final departure. The forty species on which information is desired this year are:

Whistling Swan Canada Goose Mallard Pintail Marsh Hawk Killdeer Common Snipe Mourning Dove Common Nighthawk Chimney Swift Ruby-throated Hummingbird Yellow-shafted Flicker Eastern Kingbird Great Crested Flycatcher Eastern Phoebe Eastern Wood Peewee Barn Swallow **Purple Martin** Common Crow House Wren

Catbird Brown Thrasher Wood Thrush Eastern Bluebird (male) Eastern Bluebird (female) **Red-eyed Vireo** Black-and-white Warbler Yellow Warbler Myrtle Warbler Ovenbird American Redstart **Red-winged Blackbird** Baltimore Oriole Scarlet Tanager **Rose-breasted Grosbeak** Indigo Bunting American Goldfinch Slate-colored Junco Chipping Sparrow White-crowned Sparrow White-throated Sparrow