

To the Members of the Iowa Ornithologists' Union.

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We are nearing the close of our second year and find the interest in our Union increasing, for we have now 108 members, many of whom are new this year.

We are sorry that there are still twenty-five of our first year members who have neglected to renew their membership, and we feel reluctant to drop their names from our roll: we are sure that it is only through carelessness that the matter was not attended to, rather than a lack of interest in the Union. We are still willing to accept renewals for this year and for the next.

We also especially urge members to send in names of persons, interested in birds, who might care to become members of the Union.

Your attention is called to two meetings of importance to all bird lovers, to be held in the month of November.

The first meeting is the annual meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union, to be held in Carnegie Museum at Pittsburg, November 11-13 inclusive, and those who are able to attend will enjoy a very fine program.

The second meeting is the annual meeting of the Wilson Ornithological Club to be held in conjunction with the Inland Bird Banding Association, at Nashville, Tennessee, on the 28th and 29th of the same month. This meeting is of especial interest to our members as it is, in a measure, our meeting, and it is hoped that as many as can do so will plan to be there.

The Articles of Affiliation of the Iowa Ornithologists' Union with the Wilson Ornithological Club have been sent to the officers of the Wilson Club for their approval and signature, and this will constitute the formal acknowledgment of the affiliation. These Articles were drawn up by the President of the Union, and approved by the Executive Council, and while we are not bound, as individuals, to become members of the Wilson Club by paying the dues of that Club, it would, of course, be fine if every member of the Union wished to do so. We do feel, however, that we are strengthening our Union by becoming affiliated with the larger Club.

Let us all work for a larger and better Iowa Ornithologists Union.

Yours truly,

Mary L. Bailey, Secretary.