



decided at a later date. Invitations by member clubs for this meeting are to be sent to Mr. Eisenmann as soon as possible.

The Council meeting was adjourned at 12:05 noon.

The general session opened at 1:45 p. m. with Robert F. Deed, President of the *Rockland Audubon Society*, the host club, giving the welcoming address. John C. Orth, Park Naturalist at Bear Mountain welcomed the Federation members to Bear Mountain Park. President Eisenmann responded on behalf of the Federation.

The session continued with the presentation of the following papers: "Remarks on the Scientific and Popular Names of Birds" by Dean Amadon of the American Museum of Natural History and *The Linnaean Society*.

"Nocturnal Vocal Activity in Diurnal Song Birds" by Richard C. Rosche of Cornell University, Ithaca.

"Some Techniques in Studying Bird Songs" by Peter Paul Kellogg of Cornell University.

"Bird Population of the Albany County Barrens" by Edward D. Treacy of Highland Falls.

"Highways and Birdways of Schuyler County" by Mrs. Annah M. Robinson of *Watkins-Montour Bird Club*.

"Opportunity Unlimited for New York Birders" by Allen H. Benton of *Schenectady Bird Club* and Robert S. Arbib, Jr., of *The Linnaean Society*.

"Let Us Have a Federal Hawk Law" by Stanley O. Grierson of Katonah.

"Spring and Fall Hawk Migration in New York State" by Richard F. Meyers of Ithaca.

Symposium: "Problems Involved in Establishing a Uniform System of Keeping Regional Records."

Moderator: Eugene Eisenmann.

Robert S. Arbib, Jr.: "Problems in Classification and Censorship".

Frazer R. Turrentine: "Territorial Coverage Problems".

Harold D. Mitchell: "Uniformity in Record-Keeping".

H. Everest Clements: "Bird-Spotter Telephone System".

The annual dinner was held at 7:00 p. m. in the Banquet Hall at Bear Mountain Inn. John M. Price served as toastmaster.

The speaker of the evening was Charles E. Mohr, Director of the Audubon Center at Greenwich, Connecticut. His subject was "Why Birds Leave Home", a story of ecological succession which was illuminated with color slides.

About 75 members in seven parties participated in the annual field trip on Sunday, May 24. Weather was perfect, ranging from 46 degrees at 5:00 a. m. to 72 degrees maximum, and sunny all day. Parties covered roughly the same areas, but lists varied from the mid-70s to the upper 80s in number of species. Migrants were almost entirely absent. Species of particular interest included Turkey Vulture, all three *Empidonax* flycatchers plus the Olive-sided, Caroline Wren, Tufted Titmouse, Lawrence's Warbler, Worm-eating Warbler, Blue-winged Warbler, Hooded Warbler, an unusual number of Orchard Orioles, and Cardinal. The composite list for the morning totaled 110 species; two species were added in the afternoon.

Frances H. Irving, Recording Secretary

PROPOSED 1954 BUDGET OF THE FEDERATION

Per Treasurer-elect H. Everest Clements

The Kingbird	\$470.00
Work of the Conservation Committee	125.00
Work of the Membership Committee	5.00
Office of the President	6.00
Office of the Vice President	3.00
Office of the Recording Secretary	10.00
Office of the Corresponding Secretary	5.00
Office of the Treasurer	50.00
Fidelity Bond on Treasurer	5.00
Annual Meeting Expenses	30.00
Publications and Research	25.00
Unallocated Funds	25.00
Total	\$759.00

The following is a talk given by the writers at the convention of the Federation of New York State Bird Clubs, held at Bear Mountain Park, May 23, 1953.