

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

We hope to make the President's Page a regular feature of *The Kingbird*. The annual meeting is far too short for completing all our business, let alone getting to know the members and their viewpoints. In this, our first letter, we should like to urge each one of you to write us your ideas or complaints so we might serve the Federation better and widely. Two or three years ago most member clubs sent us reports concerning sanctuaries or refuges supported or used by the organization. In this day and age when conservation and preservation of our natural resources and areas looms more and more in importance, we feel that the clubs in the Federation are doing a very good job indeed. When we travel to some part of our State we are sure that, nearby, there is a sanctuary which we can visit and enjoy the birds and other wildlife. Often all we know of the sanctuary is its name, location, and management. We would like to know more than impersonal statistics. Both the editor of *The Kingbird* and I think the pages of this journal would be an excellent place for an account—historical, natural, and physical—of these refuges. Surely each club has some member of members who could write such an "invitation" to their sanctuary for the members of the Federation—which club will be first?

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