

**BIRD CLUB**  
 Chandler Cox read an article on the Lark Sparrow at the Bird Club on Saturday. The lark sparrow is one of the most common and most attractive of American birds. It is found in grass country everywhere except in the Alleghenies and on the Atlantic coast. No one can travel

through America west of the Alleghenies without seeing the lark sparrow. And no one who has ever known this sparrow will ever forget how handsome he is with his chestnut and white head, one black spot on a white breast and a white-edged tail. He runs ahead along the dusty road, he rises out of the June meadows, he walks across the lawns of towns, he perches on rocks and Spanish bayonet and sagebrush and all kinds of bushes.

His absence from the Atlantic coast states is the only fact that prevents his being one of the best known birds of America. He is known not only for his beauty, but also for his friendly habit of nesting near farm buildings and villages.

If nothing else made the bird a favorite, his melodious, long, varied song, heard almost continuously, would make him beloved. The song is described as "one continued gush of sprightly music, now gay, now melodious, and then tender beyond description—the very essence of emotion." At intervals the singer falters as if exhausted by exertion and his voice becomes scarcely audible; but suddenly reviving in his joy it is resumed in all its vigor until he appears to be really overcome by the effort.

He is 6 1/2 inches in length. The nest is usually located on the ground in prairies sunk flush with the earth, carefully concealed, constructed of dried grass, weed stalks, lined with similar material. The eggs are 3 to 6 pure white or very pale bluish, or brownish white, with spots of sepia and black. The food of this sparrow is made up of seeds of weeds, grasses and grain and also of insects. It is considered to be one of the most valuable of the sparrows as a destroyer of grasshoppers.

Another article on "Feed the Birds this Christmas" was read. This year let's make the birds feel the effect, along with humanity, of the Christmas spirit. Food is scarce for them at this time of the year so why not give them a little extra attention? Hang up some boxes and gourds and fill them with food for a Christmas gift. This Christmas spirit will be received by the birds with the greatest pleasure. They want to be friendly. December being the last month in the year, let's make our birds happy. Give them a treat with a Christmas tree to make them think there is a real "Bird Santa Claus." By next spring, you will be surprised just how many visiting birds you will have had as your guests for Christmas and the following months.

**STABILIZATION CORP. BOUGHT ONE-SIXTH OF '47 TOBACCO**

Over 215,000,000 pounds, or approximately 16 per cent of the entire gross sales of the 1947 flue-cured tobacco crop, have been purchased by the Flue-cured Tobacco Cooperative Stabilization Corporation, L. T. Weeks, secretary of the corporation, announced this week.

These purchases represent sales from all bolls in the five flue-cured tobacco states through November 30.

"After British withdrawal of buying, substantial purchases by the Stabilization Corporation were made," Weeks said, "and during the week of December 1, total purchases amounted to over 26 per cent of the gross sales."

The Corporation has maintained its 90 per cent of parity support price from the beginning of the end of the marketing season and in the

opinion of Weeks, "If it had not been for the support programs operated through the Stabilization Corporation, market averages would have declined drastically."

By November 30, the Stabilization had paid for over 204,000,000 pounds of tobacco at a cost of \$67,000,000, or an average of 33 cents per pound, Weeks said. He explained that the 90 per cent parity support price is projected on a grade basis "with each grade reflecting its own 90 per cent of parity price."

"Practically all tobacco received by the Stabilization to date has been redried, placed in hogsheds and shipped to storage points," he said.

Membership since last year has increased from 80,000 to 297,214 farmers. The purchase of common stock at \$5 per share entitles a flue-cured tobacco grower to become a member of the Corporation and participate in its operations.

"This money becomes capital

stock funds," Weeks added, "and is invested in Government Securities. It is not used for the purchase of tobacco or to defray operative or administrative costs of the Corporation."

**LIFE PHOTOGRAPHER TO FILM LAKE MATTAMUSKEET**

A photographer from Life magazine is due at Lake Mattamuskeet for three days this week to make a series of waterfowl pictures, the State Advertising Division reports.

The Division also said that the January issue of PARENTS' magazine would carry an article entitled "North Carolina Discovers Its Children"; the February TRUE magazine would have a color lay-out on the Cherokee Indians, and the February FORD TIMES would have a story on North Carolina bear hunting. Both January and February issues of HUNTING & FISHING will

carry North Carolina outdoor stories, and the spring edition of HIGHWAY TRAVELER will feature Asheville.

Stories on the Blue Ridge Parkway have been ordered by both FORD TIMES and BUICK magazines, to appear in forthcoming editions.

Religious News Service is serving its clients with stills of The Salem Candle Tea made by the News Bureau at the same time Universal Newsreel made its movie of the event.

The great of the house was watching with amazement the contractor's small boy who was amusing himself by driving nails into the furniture. He said to the host: "Joe, isn't that an expensive hobby your son has?"

"Oh, it's not so bad," answered the contractor. "I get the nails wholesale."

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 When out on the lawn, there arose such a clatter.  
 She sprang to the door to see what was the matter.  
 The moon on the breast of the new fallen snow,  
 Gave the lustre of mid-day to the objects below.  
 When what to her wandering eyes, it seemed so strange,  
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 They carried it right in and sat it on the floor.  
 They spoke a few words and went straight to their work.  
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 Then back to the truck, they made a wild dash.  
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 "Pa" had been peeping through the kitchen door,  
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