

than to those of an individual. Influenced by this principle of public ownership, Dr. Morton Prince presented the *Journal of Abnormal and Social Psychology* to the association last year. He was retained as editor, and President H. T. Moore, of Skidmore College, was appointed the assistant editor.

In January, 1927, the American Psychological Association will publish a new journal, *Psychological Abstracts*. It will be edited by Professor Walter S. Hunter, of Clark University, assisted by a number of distinguished cooperating editors from foreign countries. The journal will be international in character. It will consist of non-critical abstracts of articles and books on psychological and cognate subjects, which will appear as soon as possible after the original publication. These abstracts will be prepared by competent psychologists in America and Europe. They will be published in English and will average one hundred and fifty words each.

The scope of the journal is indicated by the accompanying classification of its material: General topics in psychology; sensation and perception; feeling and emotion; attention, memory and thought; nervous system; motor phenomena and action; plant and animal behavior; evolution and heredity; special mental conditions; nervous and mental disorders; social functions of the individual; industrial and personnel problems; childhood and adolescence; educational psychology; biometry and statistics; mental tests.

It is the intention of the association to make the abstract journal invaluable, not only to psychologists throughout the world, but also to all persons who are working in allied fields, such as physiology, psychiatry, education and biology. The price of the journal has been fixed for the present at six dollars. It will probably be possible in the near future to reduce the price, unless it seems more advisable to increase the size of the publication.

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ASSOCIATED COMMITTEES FOR WILD LIFE CONSERVATION

WITH the formation of the Associated Committees for Wild Life Conservation, representing the Massachusetts Audubon Society, the Massachusetts Fish and Game Protective Association and the Federation of the Bird Clubs of New England, Inc., a step has been taken in the direction of combining the efforts of these organizations in conservation matters of common interest to all three. It has been felt for some time by those who have urged this step that much duplication of effort could be avoided and greater results could be obtained by such joint action. Those who hunt birds with guns and those who hunt with

glasses are alike keen to uphold and enforce the laws protecting birds. All realize that it is essential to provide reservations and sanctuaries to protect wild life at all times if it is to escape serious decimation and in some cases complete extinction.

This joint committee will undertake such conservation work as can better be done by the combined efforts of the three component organizations than by any one of them or by all three acting independently. Each constituent organization will continue to work on the special matters which interest it alone, but it is felt that their combined efforts will greatly assist those causes to which all three are devoted. The associated committees do not ask for funds as a new organization, to the confusion of the public, but as a joint appeal, making it possible for all patrons of the parent organizations intelligently to support their activities.

The Associated Committees are unanimous in urging:

1. That laws protecting song, insectivorous and game-birds must be kept impartially enforced.
2. That reservations and sanctuaries are needed in which all wild life may live undisturbed.
3. That all enemies of our wild life—natural and human—must be kept under control and that the game-birds so far as possible should be propagated to increase the number, or at least to fill the places of those taken.
4. That the commonwealth should provide funds from the general tax levy to purchase, maintain and administer throughout the state suitable breeding, nesting and feeding areas for birds and animals.
5. That if future generations are to enjoy those things which delight the lover of the out-of-doors, be he sportsman or bird-lover, the work of conservation must be carried on actively to insure this heritage.

The personnel of the committee is: representing the Audubon Society, Francis H. Allen, Charles B. Floyd, Mrs. Robert B. Greenough, Ralph Lawson, Robert Walcott, George C. Warren and Mrs. Sydney M. Williams; representing the Fish and Game Association, Frank W. Hallowell, Robert A. Leeson, John C. Phillips, John L. Saltonstall and John E. Thayer; representing the Federation, Gorham Brooks, Laurence B. Fletcher, Edward H. Forbush, Harris A. Reynolds and Charles L. Whittle. Mr. John L. Saltonstall is chairman of the associated committees; Laurence B. Fletcher is secretary, and George C. Warren is treasurer.

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SECRETARY JARDINE has announced that he has recommended consolidation in one unit, to be known