

collection, has been granted indefinite leave of absence, owing to the very serious illness of her mother.

Special reference must be made to the excellent work of the Organizing and Assistant Secretaries. The efficiency and the aptitude for sheer hard work which has been shown by Miss Gregorson and Miss Talbot-Ponsonby has been beyond praise, and the Council feels it must put on record how fortunate the Trust is to have the services of these two young ladies.

It has been found necessary to remove the Trust's offices from London to the New Grounds, in the interests of convenience and economy. Members are requested to note that letters should no longer be addressed to 8, Edwardes Square, although some booklets which carry this address are inevitably still in circulation. Wherever possible, however, the London address has been struck through.

The Council considers that from now onward a permanent paid Secretary to the Trust, within easy reach of the New Grounds, is essential. Mr. E. A. Scholes, who lives at Frampton-on-Severn, has therefore been appointed to act as Secretary and Accountant.

Appointment of Biologist

The Council believes that the appointment of a Resident Biologist is now essential in order to extend the scope of the scientific work at the New Grounds. It is hoped that a grant may be forthcoming in order to cover such an appointment, and also that it will prove possible to obtain the services of a promising scientist.

Honorary Wardens

The following Members have kindly consented to act as Honorary Wardens :—

C. P. A. Garnett, Esq.
B. King, Esq.
J. P. Paige, Esq.
Miss A. Pritchard.
A. Richardson, Esq.
J. Russell, Esq.
J. Savidge, Esq.
Miss C. L. Sansom.
K. H. Shackleton, Esq.
D. Weir, Esq.
G. T. Wilkins, Esq.

The Honorary Wardens will be acquainted with the movements of the wild geese and will be able to take parties to the observation huts and also round the enclosures. In this way they will augment the permanent staff and ease the situation on days when an unusually large number of visitors has arrived.

DIRECTOR'S LECTURES

In the past year the Director, Mr. Peter Scott, has addressed approximately 20,550 people at 48 lectures on the subject of the Trust and its work, and of the wildfowl problem in general. The total sum raised from these lectures, including fees and sale of literature, is £1,017.

Special mention of this was made by the President at the Annual General Meeting, when Lord Alanbrooke said that the Trust owed him a debt of gratitude for the valuable publicity he has given to it and for the tireless energy he has shown in furthering the interests of the Trust.

An important feature of these lectures has been the beautiful colour film made by the Secretary, Mr. Michael Bratby.