

## NOTES AND NEWS

The American Ornithologists' Union will meet in 1962 at Salt Lake City, Utah, with the University of Utah and the Utah Audubon Society as host organizations, and the Utah Nature Study Society a probable sponsoring organization. The scientific sessions will be held Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 21-23 August, on the campus of the University of Utah. The business sessions will be held on Monday, 20 August, at places to be announced later. Field trips are planned for Friday, 24 August, and possibly also Saturday, 25 August. The Annual Banquet will be held on Thursday evening, 23 August.

Our meetings, originally planned for the final week of August, have been advanced by one week, owing to conflict with the combined meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (Western Division) and the American Institute of Biological Sciences, already set for 26-31 August at Corvallis, Oregon. Note then that the dates 20-24 August are final and official for the sessions of The American Ornithologists' Union.

Applications for a position on the program should be submitted not later than 25 June. A formal "call for papers" will be circulated well before the deadline.

This will be the Union's first meeting in the Great Basin region.

Through the generosity of the Marcia Brady Tucker Foundation, Inc., we are again in a position to award funds to assist promising young ornithologists to attend the annual meeting of the Union. The amount granted will depend upon distance to be travelled and personal need. Any member may nominate candidates. It is not required that awardees present papers at the meeting, but since some may wish to apply for a position on the program, it is important that nominations be in hand *not later than 28 May 1962*.

Please send to the Secretary (Dr. Lawrence H. Walkinshaw, 1703 Wolverine Tower, Battle Creek, Michigan) the following information: (1) name, age, and address of the nominee; (2) education and experience of the nominee; (3) a statement by the sponsor on the capabilities, special interest, and financial need of the nominee.

A sum of \$500 is available in 1962 for research grants from the Josselyn Van Tyne Memorial Fund. Any student of birds is invited to apply for part or all of this amount. Young men or women just starting their careers, or others not eligible for grants from government or other agencies, are especially invited to apply.

Ten duplicate copies of applications should be submitted for distribution to members of the Research Committee, who will determine how the funds will be distributed. The applicant should give a full description of the proposed research, the type of help required, amount of money desired, and the background and training of the applicant. A letter of support from one or more recognized ornithologists would be helpful.

Applications should be submitted not later than 1 June 1962, to S. C. Kendeigh, Chairman, Vivarium Building, University of Illinois, Wright and Healey Streets, Champaign, Illinois.

A study of the Bufflehead is under way, and information on the migration of that species is needed. Data required include first arrival dates, peak date of migration and peak numbers, and departure dates. Only birds actually believed to be migrants should be listed, but, where pertinent, other data on wintering or summering numbers should be included. If only infrequent visits are made to areas frequented by Bufflehead, the statement "present by (date)" is preferable to "arrival (date)," and "last seen (date)" to "departure (date)." Information is solicited particularly for the spring

migration of 1962, but it is hoped that interested observers will report any data they may have obtained in the past; requests for fall migration data will be made later. It is planned to color mark some Buffleheads in Maryland, New York, and Oregon during the winter of 1961-1962, and observers should take particular note of any Buffleheads bearing bright patches of red, yellow, or orange. Please send information on the Bufflehead to: A. J. Erskine, Canadian Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 180, Sackville, New Brunswick, Canada.

Ornithologists from other continents intending to work on African birds are invited to make use of the Percy FitzPatrick Institute of African Ornithology, University of Cape Town, as their base. Office or limited laboratory accommodation would be made available; use could be made of the Institute's reference library; access to the collection of the South African Museum could be arranged; and the advice of the staff on matters requiring local knowledge would be at the visitor's disposal. Anybody interested should write to the Director, Percy FitzPatrick Institute of African Ornithology, University of Cape Town, Rondebosch, Cape Province, South Africa.

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