

## NOTES AND NEWS

The Standing Committee for Ornithological Nomenclature of the International Ornithological Congress has been appointed as follows: J. Dorst, Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris; E. Eisenmann, the American Museum of Natural History, New York; F. Salomonsen, Universitets Zoologiske Museum, Copenhagen; K. H. Voous, Zoologisch Museum, Amsterdam; and C. Vaurie (chairman), the American Museum of Natural History, New York.

This committee is purely advisory, but ornithologists who wish to make a proposal for action to the International Commission for Zoological Nomenclature may submit, if they wish, such proposals to the Standing Committee for its consideration. This Committee may, at its discretion, inform the International Commission of its opinion. The Standing Committee endorses the principle of the Preamble of the Code of Zoological Nomenclature that well-established names should be preserved. Proposals for this committee should be sent to the chairman in quadruplicate.

The Louis Agassiz Fuertes Research Grant, established in 1947, is devoted to the encouragement and stimulation of young ornithologists. One particular desire is the development of research interests among amateur ornithologists. Any kind of ornithological research may be aided. Recipients of grants need not be associated with academic organizations. Each proposal is considered primarily on the basis of possible contributions to ornithological knowledge.

An anonymous donor gave \$500 to found the fund; later donors have provided some \$600. The Council of the Wilson Ornithological Society has added funds as necessary to provide at least one \$100 grant annually.

Since its inception, the Fuertes Research Grant has been awarded to 19 persons, many of whom have continued their research work.

Application forms may be obtained from Harvey I. Fisher, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois. Completed applications must be received by March 1, 1964.

The next closing date for research proposals to the National Science Foundation is January 15, 1964. Action on proposals will be reported no later than four months after that date.

In the past year the editors of *The Condor* have had the assistance of a number of persons in appraising manuscripts offered to the journal. The members of the editorial advisory committee have as usual contributed importantly to this, but in addition the aid of the following is gratefully acknowledged: Richard C. Banks, Eugene Eisenmann, William J. Hamilton III, Richard T. Holmes, A. Starker Leopold, Peter R. Marler, Robert B. Payne, Oliver P. Pearson, Frank A. Pitelka, and Francis S. L. Williamson.

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The annual index, of vital service to all users of *The Condor*, has again been prepared by Jane R. Durham.

Subsidy has been provided for articles appearing in the current issue which are greater than twenty pages in length.

Significant books received at the Editor's office in recent months include the following:

*Animal Species and Evolution*, by Ernst Mayr (Harvard University Press); an especially comprehensive, erudite and stimulating work.

*A Study of Bird Song*, by Edward A. Armstrong (Oxford University Press).

*Functional Anatomy of the Feeding Apparatus in Waterfowl*, by Donald C. Goodman and Harvey I. Fisher (Southern Illinois University Press).

*The Birds of the British Isles*, twelfth and concluding volume, by David A. Bannerman (Oliver and Boyd).

*The Migrations of Birds*, by Jean Dorst, English Edition (Houghton Mifflin).

*Animal Dispersion in Relation to Social Behavior*, by V. C. Wynne-Edwards (Oliver and Boyd).