

NOTES AND NEWS

As with any magazine or journal the mailing list of which is over 2000, the problem of keeping the list up to date with the large number of changes of address is a never ending one. Unless a change of address is sent at least a month prior to the time you actually do change your address, we are normally unable to prevent the mis-mailing of at least one number of *The Condor*. Many popular news and literary magazines are well equipped to handle as many changes of address by a subscriber as the latter wishes to notify them of in advance, but such publishers do not take responsibility for recovery or remailing of issues mailed to the wrong address. The *Condor* mailing is of such size that the Treasurer can easily remail mis-sent copies and, in fact, our guarantee of postage for return of such copies is meant to aid in accomplishing this service. However, we believe it justifiable to institute the following policy with subsequent mailings: When an official change of address notification has been received by the Treasurer at any time prior to the issuance of a given number of the journal, the society will remail copies without charge; all other copies, including those on which the Post Office has indicated the new address, will be held by the Treasurer or the printer and mailed to the intended recipient upon his request and upon receipt of fifteen cents per copy in stamps or coin by the Treasurer. Changes of address indicated by the Post Office will, of course, be made in our files so that subsequent mis-mailings will be avoided. In addition, we request that members or subscribers who make regular address changes back and forth between two places of residence establish only one of these addresses as the mailing residence for the journal. If this is impossible, each change of address must be requested at the time it is desired, since a system whereby pre-set changes on a regular basis are arranged cannot be handled with our limited clerical staff.—JOHN WILLIAM HARDY, *Treasurer*.

The Fourteenth International Ornithological Congress will convene in Great Britain in 1966. Plans are being developed for a Study Cruise north of Scotland aboard a liner from July 16 to 23, and for the Scientific Meeting in Oxford from July 24 to 30. Members may apply for either (1) both the Study Cruise and the Oxford meeting, or (2) the Oxford meeting only. Applications for the Study Cruise will be dealt

with in the order in which they arrive. The official announcement and application forms with full details are now available for distribution from N. TINBERGEN, *The Secretary-General, International Ornithological Congress, c/o Department of Zoology, Parks Road, Oxford, England*.

The Division of Biological and Medical Sciences of the National Science Foundation announces that the next closing date for receipt of basic research proposals in the life sciences is May 1, 1965. Proposals received prior to that date will be reviewed at the summer meetings of the Foundation's advisory panels and disposition will be made approximately four months following the closing date. Proposals received after the May 1, 1965, closing date will be reviewed following the fall closing date of September 15, 1965. Inquiries should be addressed to the BIOLOGICAL AND MEDICAL SCIENCES DIVISION, *National Science Foundation, Washington, D. C. 20550*.

To learn more about the migrations of seabirds, ornithologists of the Smithsonian Institution have captured and marked over 300,000 birds in the Central Pacific. Over 60,000 of these birds have been marked with 4-inch colored plastic leg streamers. Anyone coming into the possession of a banded dead bird in the Pacific Ocean area is asked to cooperate by returning the band, together with the time and place of recovery, as instructed on the band. For live birds, only the band number together with the time and place of capture need be sent to the directed address, after which the bird should be liberated so that further travel may be traced. Anyone sighting a bird with a colored leg streamer anywhere in the Pacific Ocean area is asked to cooperate by recording the name or description of the kind of bird wearing the streamer, the color of the streamer, the date seen, and the latitude and longitude or approximate location of the sighting. All information on birds with colored leg streamers should be sent as soon as possible to the Division of Birds, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. 20560. Each cooperator will be informed where the banded or color-marked bird was tagged.

We note with deep regret the death in Compton, California, on March 2, of Chester C. Lamb, veteran collector and field naturalist, at the age of 83 years.