

NEWS AND NOTES

45TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE C.O.S.

The 45th Annual Meeting of the Cooper Ornithological Society will be held at Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona, 9–12 May 1974. Paper sessions are scheduled to start on 9 May in the afternoon. Announcement of the schedule and arrangements, and a call for papers will be mailed to members in January 1974. The sponsoring organizations are Northern Arizona University and the Museum of Northern Arizona. Russell P. Balda, Department of Biological Sciences, Northern Arizona University, is chairman of the local committee and David Ligon, Department of Biology, University of New Mexico, is chairman of the scientific program committee.

NOMINEES FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Nominating Committee appointed by President William H. Behle, consisting of Keith L. Dixon (Chairman), Harriet P. Thomas, and Laszlo J. Szijj, proposes to the Cooper Ornithological Society electorate for three-year terms on the Board of Directors of the Cooper Ornithological Society: *William R. Dawson*, *Oliver P. Pearson*, and *Edgar N. Stone*. These nominees are proposed to replace retiring directors Tom J. Cade, Eugene Eisenmann, and John Davis. Procedures for election of directors may be found in the C.O.S. Bylaws (Condor 69:613–620).

C.O.S. COMMITTEES 1973–1974

Investment Committee: Harold F. Mayfield, Chairman; Oliver P. Pearson; Edgar N. Stone.

Funds Soliciting Committee: Don Bleitz and Ed N. Harrison, Co-chairmen.

Committee for Nomination of Directors: Keith L. Dixon, Chairman; Harriet P. Thomas, Laszlo J. Szijj.

Membership Committee: Keith L. Dixon, Chairman; Gerald Collier, Richard T. Holmes, William J. Maher, Storrs L. Olson, Robert B. Payne, Gary D. Schnell, John A. Wiens, H. Warrington Williams, Mary F. Willson.

Committee on History and Archives: Lois Chambers Stone, Chairwoman; Enid Austin, Robert I. Bowman, Wilson C. Hanna, Thomas R. Howell, James G. Miller, Sidney B. Peyton, Raymond Quigley, Jr.

Local Committee on Arrangements for Annual Meeting: Russell P. Balda, Chairman; Stewart W. Aitchison, Gary C. Bateman, Steven W. Carothers, George E. Goslow, Jr., Christian E. Grue, Susan Henderson, Celia Haigh Holm, Clarence D. Johnson, James R. Wick.

Program Committee for Annual Meeting: J. David Ligon, Chairman; Carl E. Bock, Dale A. Zimmerman.

MEMBERSHIP DUES AND SUBSCRIPTION RATE

The Board of Directors of the Cooper Ornithological Society voted that, effective 1 January 1974, membership dues will increase as follows: regular members, \$15.00 per year; student members, \$8.00 per year; sustaining members, \$25.00 per year. The subscription price of *The Condor* will increase to \$20.00 per year. These increases are necessary if the Society is to keep pace with the rapidly rising costs of publishing *The Condor*.

AOU: NEW OFFICERS, BREWSTER AND COUES AWARDS

At its meeting in Provincetown, Massachusetts, 8–12 October 1973, the American Ornithologists' Union elected the following officers: Donald S. Farner, President; Harrison B. Tordoff, First Vice-President; Charles G. Sibley, Second Vice-President; George E. Watson, Secretary; John A. Wiens, Treasurer.

The William Brewster Memorial Award for the most important work on birds of the Western Hemisphere in the past ten years was given to Rudolfo Amando Philippi B., Alfred W. Johnson and J. B. Goodall for their research on the birds of Chile.

The Elliott Coues Award for important contributions having a significant effect on the study of birds in the Western Hemisphere was awarded to John T. Emlen, Jr. for his pioneer investigations on the behavioral ecology of birds.

THE I.C.B.P.

The International Council for Bird Preservation has funds for research and conservation of endangered or vulnerable species. Proposals may be submitted to the Office of the President, I.C.B.P., Room 336, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. 20560, U.S.A.

I.C.B.P. is currently revising the *Red Data Book*. Vol. II, Aves, on agreement with the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (I.U.C.N.). Published or unpublished reports on the status of endangered or vulnerable bird species are urgently requested at the above address.

ALDEN H. MILLER BIBLIOGRAPHY

A complete bibliography of Alden H. Miller has been recently compiled as follows: Mayr, Ernst. 1973. Alden Holmes Miller February 4, 1906–October 9, 1965. *In* Biographical Memoirs, National Academy of Sciences. Columbia University Press (New York), p. 177–214. The bibliography proper is included in pages 200–214.

LOUIS AGASSIZ FUERTES AND MARGARET MORSE NICE AWARDS

Fuertes Awards are devoted to the encouragement and stimulation of young ornithologists. One particular desire is the development of research interests among amateur ornithologists and students. Any kind of ornithological research may be aided. Recipients of grants need not be associated with academic institutions. Each proposal is considered primarily on the basis of possible contribution to ornithological knowledge. Although grantees are not required to publish their studies in *The Wilson Bulletin*, it is hoped that they will submit their manuscripts to the editor of *The Wilson Bulletin* for consideration.

Most of the statements applicable to the Fuertes Awards are also applicable to the Nice Award. However, the Nice Award is limited to applicants not associated with a college or university. It is intended to encourage the independent researcher without access to funds and facilities generally available at the colleges. High school students are eligible.

In some years two Fuertes Awards have been made, in some years, one. Amounts have been between \$200

and \$100. One Nice Award is made annually, in the amount of \$100.

Interested persons may write to Frank B. Gill, Academy of Natural Sciences, 19th and the Parkway, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103. Completed applications must be received by 1 April 1974. Final decisions will be made by the Council at the annual meeting of the Society, 6-9 June 1974.

OBITUARY: TRACY I. STORER

Tracy I. Storer, Professor of Zoology, Emeritus at the University of California, Davis, passed away on 25 June 1973. He was a C.O.S. member for over 60 years; he joined the society in 1910 and was a life member. Dr. Storer was well known for his numerous contributions to zoology including his major role in the development of one of the most widely used textbooks in general zoology, his writings on many aspects of California natural history, and outstanding work in vertebrate field biology and in the economic relationships of vertebrates to man.

CONTINUE LIBRARY SUBSCRIPTIONS

University librarians, faced with budget cuts, are currently looking critically at their journal holdings with the thought of eliminating those that are not important to the present staff. To protect the C.O.S. against possible loss of subscriptions to *The Condor* we urge our members in university circles to talk to their librarians about the importance of our journal and request renewal. The more contact members have with their university librarian at this time, the more the Society can protect itself against subscription declines. Another suggestion is for all members to check to see whether your library does indeed subscribe to *The Condor* and if not "sell" a new subscription.

BACK ISSUES OF *THE CONDOR* NEEDED

The University of the South Pacific in Fiji is in need of back issues of *The Condor*. The University, begun in 1968, is growing rapidly with an enrollment of students from ten South Pacific countries. It cannot afford the cost of back issues of journals at this time, but it is prepared to pay packing and freight charges for any issues of *The Condor* through Volume 71. Correspondence should be sent to: T. C. R. White, Head, The University of the South Pacific, P.O. Box 1168, Suva, Fiji.

FRANK M. CHAPMAN FUND

The Frank M. Chapman Memorial Fund gives grants in aid for ornithological research and also post-doctoral fellowships. Applications are due on 15 September and 15 February. Information on form and content of applications may be obtained from the Frank M. Chapman Memorial Fund Committee, The American Museum of Natural History, Central Park West at 79th Street, New York, N.Y. 10024.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED

Among the publications recently received by the editorial office, the following are noted as having particular interest for avian biologists.

The Ecology and Evolution of Animal Behavior—Robert A. Wallace. 1973. Goodyear Publishing Co.,

Inc., Pacific Palisades, California. 342 p. \$11.95. This book was written as an elementary text in animal behavior both for biology and psychology students and for the layman who has had no prior training in biology. The author follows a more or less classical approach to ethology and frequently draws examples from studies in avian ethology.

Handbook of California Birds—Vinson Brown, Henry Weston, Jr., and Jerry Buzzell. 1973. Second edition. Naturegraph Publishers, Healdsburg, California. 224 p. \$8.95 clothbound, \$5.95 paper. This edition updates the original published in 1961 by including colored illustrations of more than 370 birds known from California. It is intended to be helpful to beginning birdwatchers in California, since it includes only birds known from that state. For the more experienced, it is intended to be a supplement to other field guides and to provide armchair quizzes of "name that bird" since the names of the birds appear in the corner of each colorplate so they can be easily concealed. Interesting details on bird anatomy, behavior, and habitats are included in the rather lengthy sections preceding the species descriptions. While the colorplates are aesthetically pleasing and include many supplementary illustrations of flight characteristics and winter plumage, some of the details are a bit hard to discern. This book will be another welcome addition to the collections of avid California birders.

Finding Birds in Trinidad and Tobago—Donald S. Heintzelman. 1973. Published privately by the author, 629 Green Street, Allentown, Pennsylvania 18102. 32 p. \$3.00. This booklet lists and describes the best birdwatching spots on the islands of Trinidad and Tobago, two Caribbean islands often visited by birdwatchers. Included with the site descriptions are the names of birds one may expect to see, and listings of nearby accommodations.

Cranes of the World—Lawrence Walkinshaw. 1973. Winchester Press, New York. 370 p. \$25.00. This book, written in an easily readable style, includes handsomely-illustrated (photographs) and detailed species accounts of the 15 species of cranes in the world. These accounts, preceded by general comments and a classification, contain information on a host of topics including descriptions of adults and young, several aspects of reproduction, behavior, migration, voice, plumages and molt, foods and distribution. While the book will appeal to the layman, the author has not sacrificed important detail based on a thorough review of the literature, and on the careful examination of museum specimens. Most important, the book reflects a lifetime of observing cranes in the field. Such an exhaustive effort has resulted in a truly valuable work that will be read by amateur and professional ornithologists alike.

Population Ecology of Migratory Birds. A Symposium. 1972. Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife Research Report 2. U.S. Government Printing Office: 1973 0-466-898. Washington, D.C. 278 p. This is a collection of papers given at an AIBS-sponsored symposium held at the Migratory Bird Population Station of the U. S. Department of Interior in 1969. The 11 papers, including a closing summary by J. J. Hickey, are presented by ornithologists from