abundant, only 175 years ago, were the birds we know only as rarities today. And a bit shocking and sobering.—O. L. Austin, Jr.

## NOTES AND NEWS

In connection with studies on the phenomenon of sudden death, Dr. Curt P. Richter of the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore 5, Maryland, would like to receive specimens of birds that die during the banding process provided they are in reasonably good condition. Such specimens could be sent to him in dry ice.

Oliver L. Austin, Jr., Bird-Banding's Review Editor, is now on his way to the Antarctic, as Air Force observer on Operation Deepfreeze, with May 1, 1956 the probable date of return. Meanwhile, we are fortunate in having the help of Dr. Donald S. Farner (Laboratories of Zoophysiology, State College of Washington, Pullman, Wash.), who handled the review section for more than nine years, down to 1952. Correspondence on reviews should be directed to Dr. Farner, as should publications for review except regular exchanges and books from publishers who include Bird-Banding on their regular review lists. It is simpler for us to forward such exchanges and books than to attempt to use a new address for a relatively short period.