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46. Summer of a Million Wings, Arctic Quest for the Sea Eagle. H. Brandon-Cox. 1974. London (?) T. and C. Newton Abbot, 184 p. —Certain books are valuable if only for the reading pleasure they afford, and this is one of them. The author writes a dramatic, running account of his experiences during an arctic summer on the Norway coast, of the history of the species' decline, and of the avian drama as it unfolded. One example, "Gull after gull swooped to pluck up a struggling piping guillemot, or razorbill from the grass or from between the rocks. A vicious nip from the big yellow beaks of the black-backs, and the small bodies hung limp and lifeless as they were carried back to low stones by the water. With several gulps the killers swallowed their victims and were ready to hunt again." There are 14 chapters, of which the first two, "Bastions of the North" and "Return of the Birds," set the scene and start the action, and the twelfth and fourteenth, "The Long Flight" and "The Million Wings Depart," ring down the curtain. There are some striking photographs of the few Sea Eagles found.—Leon Kelso.

NOTES AND NEWS

The quality of a scientific journal is related to a number of factors one of which is an independent referee system. Over the past year numerous ornithologists and ecologists have given freely of their time and energies by refereeing manuscripts submitted to *Bird-Banding*. The Editor wishes to express his appreciation to these individuals: Kenneth P. Able, John W. Aldrich, Daniel W. Anderson, Kathleen S. Anderson, James Baird, Jon C. Barlow, Frank C. Bellrose, Jr., Charles H. Blake, Mary H. Clench, Nicholas E. Collias, Alexander Cruz, E. J. Fisk, J. William Hardy, M. Philip Kahl, Lawrence Kilham, Carmine Lanciani, Robert C. Leberman, Mary LeCroy, Horace Loftin, Peter Marler, M. Brooke Meanley, L. Richard Mewaldt, Bertram G. Murray, Jr., I. C. T. Nisbet, Robert W. Payne, Linda S. Prevet, Robert E. Ricklefs, William B. Robertson, Jr., Irvin R. Savidge, Albert Schwartz, William E. Southern, Robert M. Stewart, Walter K. Taylor, Max C. Thompson, Leslie M. Tuck, Jared Verner, Lovett E. Williams, Arthur J. Wiseman, and Glen E. Woolfenden.

Spring Meeting. A joint NEBBA/EBBA meeting is being planned for next spring. It will be held at the 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland, on 9-11 April 1976. A detailed notice will be sent well ahead of time to all NEBBA and EBBA members who live close enough to attend. Those wishing to present papers at this meeting (on Saturday afternoon, 10 April) should send an abstract and the amount of time needed to DR. JOHN WESKE, *P. O. Box 116, Sandy Spring, Maryland 20860*. The deadline for submitting the abstract is **1 March 1976**. A NEBBA Council Meeting is planned for 9 April.

Peregrine Falcon Bibliography. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is compiling a bibliography with abstracts of English language literature, both books and periodical, on the Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*). Authors who wish to have their articles included in this work should send two reprints, copies, or abstracts to the senior author, DR. RICHARD D. PORTER, *I. F. & R.E.S. Shrub Lab, 735 North 500 East, Provo, Utah 84601*. Articles in which the Peregrine Falcon is mentioned but is not the main subject, and articles in foreign languages with English summaries are also wanted.