

## ORNITHOLOGICAL NEWS

The editor of *The Ring*, Dr. Wladyslaw Rydzewski, has compiled and published an "Index Ornithologorum," a sort of "Who's Who" of ornithology. It contains a listing of 711 names representing 59 countries. Each entry gives biographical information, occupation, address, and principal ornithological interests of the ornithologist. A special feature is a subject index in which the persons listed in the main body of the work are tabulated under the subject headings of their principal interests. This feature is intended to make possible world-wide contacts among persons holding the same interests. Copies of the "Index Ornithologorum" may be obtained by sending a check, bank draft, or International Money Order for U.S. \$3.00 to: The Editor of the Ring, Laboratory of Ornithology, Sienkiewicza 21, Wroclaw, Poland. Checks should be payable to The Polish Ornithological Society.

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As we go to press we are saddened to learn of the death on 21 March 1973 of E. Alexander Bergstrom, a Life Member of the Wilson Society, who edited *Bird-Banding* for 21 years.

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A 10-minute color film entitled "Kirtland's Warbler, Bird of Fire" is available for purchase, rent, or preview from: Walter and Myrna Berlet, 6998 Surrey Lane, Jackson, Michigan 49201. The film was produced by the Berlets with the consultation of W.O.S. member Dr. Nicholas Cuthbert.

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*Autumn Hawk Migration Monograph.*—Research and the writing of a comprehensive book detailing autumn hawk migrations in eastern North America is nearing completion. An exhaustive literature search has been conducted, and considerable amounts of unpublished data have been gathered from institutions and private individuals. Persons who have not yet forwarded unpublished data for 1971 or earlier are urged to do so immediately if they wish to have their work recognized and considered for inclusion in this monograph. Please send all information to: Donald S. Heintzelman, 629 Green St., Allentown, Pa. 18102.

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*Request for Information: Herring Gulls.*—Herring Gulls ranging in age and color plumage from first year through fourth year are being individually marked at Groton and Stonington, Connecticut sanitary landfill areas. The gulls are marked with dumb-bell shaped wing tags of different colors and carrying different number-letter combinations. The tags can be read with a spotting scope up to a distance of 100 yards.

Reports of sight records of these marked gulls would be greatly appreciated. Please include date, time and location of sighting, color of tag and letter-number series.

The purpose is to study the patterns of behavior at the dumps, dispersal from the sites and along the Connecticut shore line, as well as nesting and roosting locations.

Reports should be sent to: Frank R. Haeni, Chief Naturalist, Thames Science Center, Center Gallows Lane, New London, Connecticut 06320.