

ORNITHOLOGICAL NEWS

At the 93rd Stated Meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union held in Winnipeg, Manitoba, August 25-29, 1975 the following officers were elected: President, John T. Emlen; First Vice-President, Wesley E. Lanyon; Second Vice-President, Kenneth C. Parkes; Secretary, George E. Watson; Treasurer, John A. Wiens.

Alexander Wetmore was elected Honorary President.

The Brewster medal for meritorious work on birds of the Western Hemisphere was awarded to Jürgen Haffer. The Coues Awards for contributions that have had important impacts on the study of birds within the Western Hemisphere were given to Walter Bock, Richard F. Johnston, and Robert K. Selander.

Bernard Rensch of Germany was elected as an Honorary Fellow and Phillip A. Clancy (South Africa), Kai Curry-Lindahl (Sweden), Eberhard Gwinner (Germany), Colin Pennycuik (United Kingdom), and William H. Phelps, Jr. (Venezuela) were elected Corresponding Fellows.

In 1976, the American Ornithologists' Union will hold its annual meeting at Haverford College, Haverford, Pennsylvania, August 9-13.

EBBA RESEARCH GRANT

The Eastern Bird-Banding Association is offering again a research grant of \$250 to an undergraduate or graduate student in ornithology who is using bird banding as part of the project. The applicant must be attending a college or university within the United States. Applications (in triplicate) and other supporting evidence should be sent before 1 March 1976 to the Chairman of the Memorial Grant Committee: Bertram G. Murray, Jr., Dept. of Science, Rutgers Univ., New Brunswick, NJ 08903.

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 2 Fuertes Awards have been made, in some years, one. Amounts have been between \$100 and \$200. One Nice Award is made annually, in the amount of \$100.

Interested persons may write to Stephen M. Russell, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona 85721. Completed applications must be received by 15 April 1976. Final decisions will be made by the Council at the annual meeting of the Society, 3-6 June 1976.

FRANK M. CHAPMAN FUND

The Frank M. Chapman Fund gives grants-in-aid for ornithological research and also post-doctoral fellowships. Applications are due on 15 February and 15 September. In-

formation 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 St., New York, N.Y. 10024.

PEREGRINE FALCON BIBLIOGRAPHY

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is compiling a bibliography with abstracts of English language literature, both books and periodicals, 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: Dr. Richard D. Porter, I.F. & R.E.S. Shrub Lab, 735 North 500 East, Provo, UT 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.

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

Color-marked birds of prey.—Research personnel at the Snake River Birds of Prey Natural Area would like your help in recording birds-of-prey movements. They have placed color-coded vinyl wing markers and/or yellow "paint" on juvenile birds to help determine post-fledging movements. Wing markers and tail paint may show only on the dorsal surface of the birds. Ninety-three birds (Golden Eagles, Prairie Falcons, Red-tailed Hawks, and Ravens) were marked this year and the program will continue until 1980. If birds so marked are observed, please note the following information: 1, species of bird and how marked; 2, location of sighting (state, county, distance from nearest landmark); 3, date of sighting; 4, observer's name and address; and 5, activity and condition of the bird. Please send this information to: Dean Bibbes, District Manager, Boise District, Attn: Mike Kochert, Bureau of Land Management, 230 Collins Road, Boise, ID 83702.

INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION ON ZOOLOGICAL NOMENCLATURE ANNOUNCEMENT— A.N. (s.)97

Required six months' notice is given of the possible use of plenary powers by the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature in connection with the following name listed by case number: (see Bull. Zool. Nom. 32, part 3, 22nd September, 1975).

2108. *Thamnophilus ruficollis* Spix, 1825 (Aves, Formicariidae): proposed suppression.

Comments should be sent in duplicate, citing case number, to the Secretary, International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, c/o British Museum (Natural History), Cromwell Road, London, S.W.7 5BD, England. Those received early enough will be published in the Bulletin of Zoological Nomenclature.

A WORD TO MEMBERS

The Wilson Bulletin is not as large as we want it to be. It will become larger as funds for publication increase. The Society loses money, and the size of the *Bulletin* is cut down accordingly, each time a member fails to pay dues and is put on the "suspended list." Postage is used in notifying the printer of this suspension. More postage is used in notifying the member and urging him to pay his dues. When he does finally pay he must be reinstated in the mailing list and there is a printer's charge for this service. The *Bulletin* will become larger if members will make a point of paying their dues promptly.