

NOTES AND NEWS

THE Works Progress Administration announces that a museum honoring the memory of John James Audubon is being erected in the Audubon Memorial Park at Henderson, Kentucky. This will be a two-story gray stone building, situated high on a hill overlooking a majestic stretch of the Ohio River and is sponsored by the Federal Government, the State of Kentucky, the City of Henderson, the Henderson Historical Society and the Transylvania Society. The Norman style of architecture has been employed in the structure because of Audubon's ancestry, with a round tower having pigeon holes in the masonry in which the birds can nest (a doubtful advantage). A formal garden will be laid out in front of the building, with, in the center, the wheel from the old grist- and lumber-mill that Audubon built at Henderson. Near-by will be a French gatehouse. A complete collection of Audubon prints will be exhibited in a double frieze in the main gallery and there will be space on the second floor for mounted birds, as well as for books, portraits and other Auduboniana.

MR. E. A. McILHENNY has generously offered to open his extensive gardens and egret sanctuary to those wishing to study plants and birds. The situation on Avery Island, Louisiana, is, he believes, unequalled for its facilities elsewhere in the United States.

THE Hawk and Owl Society announces that it has begun a cooperative study of the Duck Hawk (*Falco peregrinus anatum*). It hopes not only to make a national census of this species but also to secure as much information as possible on various phases of its biology. For this purpose a questionnaire has been prepared, outlining certain matters on which data are desired. This may be procured by applying to either R. A. Herbert, 961 Fox St., New York City, or Joseph J. Hickey, Secy., Hawk and Owl Society, 2952 Marion Ave., New York City. The help of all ornithologists who may be interested, is earnestly solicited.

THE National Association of Audubon Societies also requests the cooperation of ornithologists in a project designed to increase our knowledge of hawks through banding. Handicapped as it is by lack of funds, the U. S. Biological Survey cannot issue regular banding permits to the number of persons who might be in a position to assist in this work, but has issued a permit and bands of sizes suitable for hawks to Mr. Richard H. Pough, 1775 Broadway, New York City, to whom application should be made, specifying sizes and number of bands desired. A card will go with each band issued, to be returned to Mr. Pough when the band is placed, and he will clear all records both with the Survey and with the bander when a return is recorded. It is hoped that many field observers, each undertaking what he can, will in the aggregate accomplish a great deal.

ACCORDING to 'Der Ornithologische Beobachter, L'Ornithologiste' (vol. 34, p. 31, 1936) a new ornithological station has been instituted on the shore of Boden Lake, Switzerland, for the study of migration especially, since this region and the Rhine valley lie in the path of hosts of migrants to and from Africa or form the winter quarters of many other species. The official title is 'Die ornithologische Beobachtungsstation Steinach.' It is financed through the generosity of Herr W. Rupp and is in charge of Dr. Bernhard Kobler and Lehrer Steiner.