

Frank McKinney, since 1955 editor of *The Auk's* section on "Recent Literature," has resigned, with the conclusion of vol. 79, from this demanding and comparatively thankless position in which he has served three editors and the entire membership well. He deserves the thanks of the A. O. U. His task has now been assumed by John William Hardy.

The annual meeting of the Wilson Ornithological Society will be held at Charleston, South Carolina, 2-5 May 1963, with headquarters at the Fort Sumter Hotel. Members of the A. O. U. desiring further information or wishing to present papers should write to Pershing B. Hofslund, Secretary of the Wilson Ornithological Society, Biology Department, University of Minnesota, Duluth 12.

The annual meeting of the Cooper Ornithological Society will be held in Austin, Texas, 18-21 April 1963.

Robert J. Newman, Treasurer of the A. O. U. (Museum of Zoology, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge 3), wishes to announce that reserve stocks of the January, April, and July, 1962, issues of *The Auk* are perilously low. He will gladly provide a self-addressed mailing container and return postage to any member or subscriber possessing surplus or un-needed copies of these issues.

OBITUARIES

GEORGE CHRISTOFFEL ALEXANDER JUNGE, elected a Corresponding Fellow of the A. O. U. in 1939, died unexpectedly on 3 February 1962 at the age of 56 years. As Curator of the famous bird collections of the Leiden Museum, editor of *Ardea*, head of bird banding in Holland, and member and chairman of numerous committees, he has had a great influence on ornithology in the Netherlands. Although Junge published on various zoological subjects (particularly endocrinology and mammalogy), he was best known for a series of excellent systematic-faunistic studies on the birds of New Guinea, of various parts of Indonesia, and of the West Indies. His modesty, cheerfulness, and extraordinary helpfulness made him one of the best liked personalities in international ornithology. He will be missed and long remembered.—ERNST MAYR.

STERLING GENE CLAWSON numbered among his scientific enthusiasms a growing interest in birds, becoming a Member of the A. O. U. in 1962. On 4 August 1962 he was killed by lightning at Pascagoula, Mississippi, while engaged in his newly favorite pursuit—the study of nesting terns on the Gulf coast. Undoubtedly, he was visiting the tern colony where he met his death to inspect a nest of the Common Tern which we had found only a few days before.

Sterling was born on 11 July 1932, at Little Rock, Arkansas. He received his B.A. at Florida State University in 1956 and his M.S. at Auburn University in 1959. From then until his death he served as Wildlife Biologist in the Mississippi Game and Fish Commission, living at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi.—LOVETT E. WILLIAMS, JR.