

## NEWS AND NOTES

## INTERNATIONAL ORNITHOLOGICAL CONGRESS

The XVth International Ornithological Congress will be held in Canberra, Australia, from 12-17 August 1974. It will be sponsored jointly by the Australian Academy of Science and the Royal Australasian Ornithologists Union. Professor J. Dorst of Paris, France, is President and Dr. H. J. Frith of Canberra is Secretary-General. The scientific meetings will take place at the Australian National University, Canberra. For further information contact: The Secretary-General, XVth International Ornithological Congress, P.O. Box 84, Lyneham, A.C.T. Australia, 2602.

## LIAISON WITH OFFICE OF ENDANGERED SPECIES

Dr. A. Starker Leopold, Professor of Zoology and Forestry, University of California at Berkeley, has been designated as the liaison contact person with the Washington Office of Endangered Species, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. He will represent the views of the Cooper Ornithological Society on matters concerning the endangered species conservation program.

## THE INDEX ORNITHOLOGORUM

The Index Ornithologorum, edited by W. Rydzewski, has been published in *The Ring* 1973. Vol. VI, nos. 71-73, 112 p. It includes the name, address, and principal ornithological interests of ornithologists throughout the world, using both a subject index and a nationality index. Separate copies are available for \$3 from: The Editor of *The Ring*, Sienkiewicza 21, 50-335 Wroclaw, Poland. Checks should be made payable to the Polish Zoological Society.

## 45TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COS

The 45th Annual Meeting of the Cooper Ornithological Society will be held at Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona, 9-12 May 1974. Paper sessions are scheduled to start on 9 May in the afternoon. Announcement of the schedule and arrangements, and a call for papers will be mailed to members in January 1974. The sponsoring organizations are Northern Arizona University and the Museum of Northern Arizona. Russell P. Balda, Department of Biological Sciences, Northern Arizona University, is chairman of the local committee and David Ligon, Department of Biology, University of New Mexico, is chairman of the scientific program committee.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE XVth INTERNATIONAL ORNITHOLOGICAL CONGRESS

Copies of the Proceedings of the XVth International Ornithological Congress are available from the publisher, E. J. Brill, Leiden, at reduced rates to COS members. The price for members is Hfl. 80 plus Hfl. 7.25 postage; at the current rate of exchange Hfl. 87.25 is equivalent to \$33.50. The book retails for Hfl. 132. Orders, with checks or money orders payable to COS, should be sent to Dr. J. David Ligon, Secretary COS, Department of Biology, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, N. M. 87106. Orders and payment must be received no later than 1 December 1973.

## NEST-RECORD CARD PROGRAM

The North American Nest-record Card Program requests that all completed nest card records for 1973 be sent to the Program office. Nest-record cards for 1972 will also be accepted. The Program welcomes individual cooperators and groups or clubs that can act as a regional center. At this time it is seeking nesting information on several common species as a continuation of the environmental monitoring survey. Persons cooperating with the Nest-record Card Program may become members of the Laboratory of Ornithology and thus receive its publications and assist in developing its research, educational, and cultural programs. For further information write to: North American Nest-record Card Program, Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology, 159 Sapsucker Woods Road, Ithaca, New York 14850.

## PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED

Among the publications recently received by the editorial office, the following are noted as having particular interest for avian biologists.

**The Birds of Britain and Europe.**—Hermann Heinzel, Richard Fitter, and John Parslow. 1972. J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia. 320 p. \$7.50. This is a field guide to birds of Europe, North Africa, parts of the Middle East, and Russia to the Urals. It is illustrated with paintings of each distinct subspecies and maps showing seasonal distributions. A separate section is devoted to maps detailing the distribution of birds that regularly breed or visit the British Isles.

**The World of the Wild Turkey.**—James C. Lewis. 1973. J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia. 158 p. \$5.95. Written by a wildlife biologist, this is intended to appeal to a broad spectrum of the public. Ethological descriptions and comments are given in considerable detail using a nontechnical vocabulary. It concludes with a lengthy discussion on management, conservation, and the future of the turkey.

**Breeding Biology of Birds.**—Donald S. Farner, ed. 1973. Nat. Acad. Sci., Washington, D.C. 515 p. \$15.50 (paperbound). This is the proceedings of a symposium on breeding behavior and reproductive physiology in birds held in 1972. The primary purpose of the symposium was to provide a basis for communication between wildlife biologists and avian physiologists and ethologists. It serves as a forum for a presentation of current ideas and concepts by leading scientists.

**Alberta Vireos and Wood Warblers.**—W. Ray Salt. 1973. Provincial Museum and Archives of Alberta, Publication No. 3. 141 p. \$4.50 (paperbound). This gives a detailed analysis of the distribution, migration, and breeding of the 4 species of vireos and 30 species of wood warblers found in Alberta, Canada. Using an extensive bibliography and unpublished data, the author presents the information for each species concisely with maps, distribution charts, and color illustrations of fall plumages.