

AMERICAN ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION NEWS

At the 94th Stated Meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union held in Haverford, Pennsylvania, August 9-13, 1976 the following officers were elected:

President	Wesley E. Lanyon
President-Elect	Harrison B. Tordoff
Vice-President	Brina Kessell
Secretary	George E. Watson
Treasurer	John A. Wiens

Oliver L. Austin Jr. was reelected editor of *The Auk* for volume 94; John A. Wiens, editor-elect will assume editorial responsibilities for volume 95 in 1978. John William Hardy was reelected editor of *Ornithological Monographs*.

The Brewster Medal was awarded to Gordon H. Orians for his studies of the evolutionary ecology of birds. The Coues Award was given to Peter Marler for his work on the song dialects of birds.

Robert A. Hinde of England, Klaus Immelmann of Federal Republic of Germany, and Alfred W. Johnson of Chile were elected as Honorary Fellows.

Elected as Corresponding Fellows this year were Jurgen Aschoff of the Federal Republic of Germany, Heinrich Dathe of the German Democratic Republic, Valery Illyichev of U.S.S.R., Christian Jouanin of France, and Vinzenz Ziswiler of Switzerland.

In 1977, the American Ornithologists' Union will hold its annual meeting at the University of California in Berkeley, August 22-26. The 1978 meeting will be held in Madison, Wisconsin during August.

SMITHSONIAN FOREIGN CURRENCY PROGRAM

The Smithsonian Foreign Currency Program, a national research grants program, offers opportunities for support of research in Burma, Guinea, India, Pakistan, Poland (through 1976) and Egypt in the following disciplines: Archeology and related disciplines (including anthropology), Systematic and Environmental Biology, Astrophysics and Earth Sciences, and Museum Programs.

The Program's appropriation for Fiscal Year 1977 totals \$2,500,000 equivalent in the currencies of the above-listed countries. Grants in those currencies are awarded to American institutions for the research of senior scientists. Collaborative programs involving host country institutions are welcome and frequently required. Awards are determined on the basis of competitive scientific review. For further information write The Foreign Currency Program, Office of International Programs, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. 20560.

REPORTING COLOR-MARKED BIRDS

Banders in increasing numbers are advertising that reports of color-marked birds should be reported directly to them. Many of these records concern individual birds that can be identified or related to a standard band of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Certain recoveries are being lost because researchers fail to notify the Bird Banding Laboratory.

All reports that can be identified to F & WS band numbers and any color-marking sightings that are not of your own birds should be sent to the Bird Banding Laboratory, Office of Migratory Bird Management, Laurel, MD 20811. If you advertise

for reports, please request that all sighting reports be made directly to the Bird Banding Laboratory. The Laboratory will report back to the banders involved as rapidly as possible, and can report to other researchers as well.

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION OF ENDANGERED PHEASANT SPECIES

A chick Brown Eared Pheasant (*Crossoptilon mantchuricum*) was hatched this spring from parents kept in separate aviaries at the headquarters of the World Pheasant Association, Lamarsh, Suffolk, England. This is believed to be the first successful artificial insemination of pheasants in England. Only the Japanese are known to have achieved success with breeding pheasants by this method. The W.P.A. believes that the method may be the key to the survival of certain endangered species of pheasants.

MAJOR REFERENCE WORK FOR NATURAL HISTORY PUBLISHED

G. K. Hall & Co. announces the publication in book form of the *Research Catalog of the Library of the American Museum of Natural History: Authors*, New York.

The catalog represents one of the world's great natural history collections. Approximately 200,000 cards cover materials on such subjects as mammalogy, geology, general natural history, general zoology, animal behavior, ornithology, anthropology, entomology, paleontology, herpetology, ichthyology, mineralogy, invertebrates, and peripheral biological sciences. The Library is particularly rich in older historical materials, and 17,000 serial titles add to its strength and comprehensiveness.

The Library's extraordinary coverage of the natural history field is due to many special collections such as the John C. Jay conchological library, the Carson Brevoort library on fishes and general zoology, the ornithological library of Daniel Giraud Elliott, and the Marcou geology collection.

The Author Catalog covers all of the Library's research collections catalogued through the mid 1960s when the Library converted to the Anglo-American cataloging rules. It serves as an index to the literature of the natural sciences for a period when published indexes are not generally available, and offers access by personal, corporate and joint authors, compilers, editors, and illustrators of note.

The 13-volume Author Catalog will be available for \$875.00 in the United States and \$962.50 outside the United States until January 31, 1977. After that date, the price will be \$1095.00 in the United States and \$1204.50 outside the United States. The Catalog will be available for shipment from G. K. Hall (70 Lincoln St., Boston, MA 02111) in April 1977.

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