NEWS AND NOTES

FRANK M. CHAPMAN FUND

The Frank M. Chapman Memorial Fund gives grants in aid for ornithological research and also post-doctoral fellowships. While there is no restriction on who may apply, the Committee particularly welcomes and favors applications from graduate students; projects in game management and medical sciences are seldom funded. Applications are due on 15 September and 15 February. Information 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 Street, New York, N.Y. 10024.

SALT-EATING BIRDS

A list of birds that eat salt is being prepared. Correlations will be sought taxonomically, between seasons, habitats, condition of the bird (breeding or non-breeding), etc. Any reprints or unpublished accounts would be appreciated. Please send to Kathryn Herson, Biology Department, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49008.

RESEARCH ON PANAMANIAN BIRDS

Ornithologists are invited to join a group to Panama led by Dr. William D'Arcy, from July 6–22. Its purpose will be to investigate changes in the status of certain species. The research is sponsored by EARTHWATCH, a non-profit organization, and is made possible by members of the public who share the work and the costs. The tax-deductible share of costs for this trip is \$725. For more information about this and other research expeditions, write EARTHWATCH, Box 127, Belmont, MA 02178 or call (617) 489–3030.

M. DALE ARVEY

M[artin] Dale Arvey, President of the COS Council, died on 29 January 1979, age 63. He had been a professor of biology at several universities and was chairman of the Department of Biology of the University of North Carolina, Charlotte, since 1972. A fuller account of him will be published later. Responsibility for leading the Council has been assumed by Ralph J. Raitt, Vice-President.

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