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**The Audubon Society Encyclopedia of North American Birds.**—John K. Terres. 1980. Alfred A. Knopf, New York. 1,130 p. \$60.00. This massive book is a one-volume library on North American birds and ornithology. Arranged alphabetically, it contains biographies of 847 species, 625 major articles about bird life and bird biology, definitions of 770 ornithological terms, and short biographies of 126 naturalists and explorers whose names are associated with North American birds. The entries are crammed with information, yet written in a clear, non-technical style. They are linked by a system of cross-references and documented with citations from an enormous bibliography of the scientific and general literature. The work is generously and instructively illustrated with drawings, diagrams, maps, and color photographs. Although this encyclopedia is intended chiefly for lay students of birds, professional ornithologists will also find it highly useful as a reliable and comprehensive reference.

**Taxonomy and Geographical Distribution of the Furnariidae (Aves, Passeriformes).**—Charles Vaurie. 1980. Bulletin of the American Museum of Natural History, Volume 166, Article 1. New York. 357 p. Paper cover. \$24.70. "This monograph brings together for the first time a great deal of previously scattered information about the taxonomy, geographical distribution, general behavior, habitat preferences, nesting behavior, and morphological variation of the 34 genera and 214 species of the Neotropical family Furnariidae." Vaurie's classification of the ovenbirds into genera and three subfamilies was based in large part on his assessment of differences in the structure of their nests. The manuscript for this work was virtually complete at the time of the author's sudden death in 1975. Recognizing its potential value, François Vuilleumier finished and polished it, taking scrupulous care to distinguish his comments from Vaurie's own writing. Three appendices were added in order to enhance the usefulness of the monograph. This is an exceptionally complete and well-produced work, for in addition to the text it contains many keys, tables of measurements, distribution maps, and ten color plates. It is an important contribution to taxonomy and an outstanding demonstration of evolutionary radiation and convergence. Ornithologists should be grateful to Dr. Vuilleumier and his colleagues for bringing the work to completion.

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**Handbook of the Birds of India and Pakistan. Vol. 2. Second edition.**—Salim Ali and S. Dillon Ripley. 1980. Oxford University Press, Delhi. 347. p. \$34.00. Continuing the revision of this series (noted in *Condor* 78:574, 81:416), this volume incorporates information about movements and ranges of species that has accumulated since 1969, when the first edition was published. It covers the Galliformes, Gruiformes, and Charadriiformes through the Crab Plover. A few taxonomic changes have been made and four new color plates have been painted by John Henry Dick to replace those in the first edition.

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**A Birder's Guide to Florida.**—James A. Lane. 1981. 160 p. Paper cover. \$7.00. Source: L & P Press, P.O. Box 21604, Denver, CO 80221. Just what the title says, this booklet is a compendium of everything that a birder in Florida might want to know, other than field identification. Two-thirds of it are devoted to a detailed guide to birding places, arranged by region and city. The remainder covers pelagic trips, notes on birds of particular interest, a seasonal checklist, and lists of other vertebrates, campgrounds, organizations, and helpful publications. Maps, photographs, and index. A useful vade mecum, more detailed than books with wider coverage.

**Strictly for the Chickens.**—Frances Hamerstrom. 1980. Iowa State University Press, Ames, Iowa. 174 p. Fran Hamerstrom has written here an informal account of her life with her husband, Frederick, and their experiences while studying Greater Prairie Chickens for half a century in central Wisconsin. Her humorous anecdotes focus on people, yet in between she conveys a good deal of information about the birds. The story is illustrated with sketches by the author's daughter and photographs from the family album: the opening and closing pictures of the Hamerstroms together are a joy.

**Fifty Common Birds of Oklahoma and the Southern Great Plains.**—George Miksch Sutton. 1981. University of Oklahoma Press, Norman. 113 p. Paper cover. \$6.95. A softbound edition of the book first published in 1977 (noted in *Condor* 80:253).

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