

The United States National Museum has recently been divided into two separate Museums, the National Museum of Natural History and the National Museum of History and Technology, both bureaus of the Smithsonian Institution. The U. S. National Museum now consists only of the Office of the Registrar, Administrative and Exhibit Offices. Because all national biological and paleontological specimens (including those of the former Biological and Geological Surveys, and Fish and Wildlife Service) have been and still are accessioned through the Office of the Registrar, it is appropriate to continue the designation, USNM, for specimens in all Smithsonian Museums.

In June 1970, the Siam Society issued a memorial number of its Natural History Bulletin in honor of the late Herbert G. Deignan, an authority on the Birds of Southeast Asia, especially Thailand. He was secretary of the American Ornithologist Union from 1959 to 1961. The 200-page issue includes papers by friends and colleagues of Deignan's, covering subjects in which he was interested. Copies may be obtained for \$2.50 plus 50c Seamaile postage from the Siam Society, 131 Lane 21, (Asoke) Sukhumvit Road, P. O. Box 65, Central, Bangkok, Thailand.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

COMMON AND ROSEATE TERNS

In the summer of 1970 volunteers from Nova Scotia to South Carolina banded young Common and Roseate Terns (*Sterna hirundo* + *S. dougallii*) with a colored plastic band, on the leg opposite the aluminum band. Each province and state uses a different color so that observers can recognize birds from different areas.

Reports of these color-banded birds may yield information regarding the following questions. How far do birds banded from different areas along the coast as well as inland range from their breeding colonies during their post breeding dispersal? Do birds from different areas along the coast concentrate at particular places in the fall? How late are these species seen at different points along the coast?

Colors include: Nova Scotia, yellow; Maine, red and white horizontal stripe; Massachusetts, orange; Connecticut, green and white horizontal stripe; Lake Erie, New York, light blue; Western Long Island, N. Y., royal blue; Eastern Long Island, N. Y., black and white horizontal stripe; New Jersey, green; Maryland, white; Virginia, black; North Carolina, green and brown horizontal stripe; Great Gull Island, N. Y., color combinations using U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service band and three color bands, two bands on each leg.

Reports of color-banded terns, or of major concentration points for terns, should be sent to Miss Helen Hays, Great Gull Island Project, American Museum of Natural History, Central Park West at 79th St., New York, N. Y. 10024.

GOLDEN EAGLE

As a part of the study on Golden Eagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*) ecology, juveniles of this species were color-marked in southwestern Idaho to determine movement and migration patterns. Marked birds carry a crescent-shaped vinyl band around the humeral area of one or both wings. The colors used were red, pink, yellow, orange, dark green, white and blue. Information desired includes: color of marker on each wing; the date and location of the sighting; and the observer. Send any information to Michael N. Kochert, Idaho Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit, University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho 83843.

NEW PETERSON FIELD GUIDE: REQUEST FOR RECORDINGS

A gramophone record version, on fourteen 12-inch LPs, of the *Field Guide* is nearing completion and the first discs are expected to appear later this year. Sveriges Radio are the publishers, and Sture Palmér and Jeffrey Boswall the compilers. Recordings of the following species are still wanted, and anyone who can provide tapes of any of them is invited to contact Jeffrey Boswall, Birdswell, Wraxall, Bristol BS19 1JZ, Britain.

Species in main body of book

- White-headed Duck *Oxyura leucocephala*
 Levant Sparrowhawk *Accipiter brevipes*
 Pallid Harrier *Circus macrourus*
 Black Vulture *Aegypius monachus*
 Andalusian Hemipode *Turnix sylvatica*
 Houbara Bustard *Chlamydotis undulata*
 Greater Sand Plover *Charadrius leschenaultii*
 Sociable Plover *Vanellus gregarius*
 White-rumped Sandpiper *Calidris fuscicollis*
 Buff-breasted Sandpiper *Tryngites subruficollis*
 Slender-billed Curlew *Numenius tenuirostris*
 Pomarine Skua *Stercorarius pomarinus*
 Iceland Gull *Larus glaucooides*
 Ross's Gull *Rhodostethia rosea*
 Ivory Gull *Pagophila eburnea*
 Pallas's Sandgrouse *Syrhaptes paradoxus*
 White-winged Lark *Melanocorypha leucoptera*
 Black Lark *Melanocorypha yeltoniensis*
 Petchora Pipit *Anthus gustavi*
 Yellow-browed Warbler *Phylloscopus inornatus*
 Eye-browed Thrush *Turdus obscurus*
 Black-throated Thrush *Turdus ruficollis*
 Azure Tit *Parus cyanus*
 Rose-coloured Starling *Sturnus roseus*
- Accidentals*
 Cape Pigeon *Daption capensis*
 Capped Petrel *Pterodroma hasitata*
 Kermadec Petrel *Pterodroma neglecta*
 Collared Petrel *Pterodroma leucoptera*
 Magnificent Frigate-Bird *Fregata magnificens*
- Bar-headed Goose *Anser indicus*
 Black Duck *Anas rubripes*
 Falcated Teal *Anas falcata*
 Spectacled Eider *Somateria fischeri*
 Bufflehead *Bucephala albeola*
 Hooded Merganser *Mergus cucullatus*
 American Purple Gallinule *Porphyryla martinica*
 Caspian Plover *Charadrius asiaticus*
 White-tailed Plover *Vanellus leucurus*
 Sharp-tailed Sandpiper *Calidris acuminata*
 Eskimo Curlew *Numenius borealis*
 Great Black-headed Gull *Larus ichthyæetus*
 Lesser Crested Tern *Sterna bengalensis*
 Royal Tern *Sterna maxima*
 Bridled Tern *Sterna anaethetus*
 Noddy *Anous stolidus*
 Crested Auklet *Aethia cristatella*
 Spotted Sandgrouse *Pterocles senegallus*
 Needle-tailed Swift *Hirundapus caudacutus*
 Indian Sand Lark *Calandrella raytal*
 Bimaculated Lark *Melanocorypha bimaculata*
 Citrine Wagtail *Motacilla citreola*
 Isabelline Shrike *Lanius isabellinus*
 Siberian Accentor *Prunella montanella*
 Paddyfield Warbler *Acrocephalus agricola*
 Thick-billed Warbler *Acrocephalus aedon*
 Dusky Warbler *Phylloscopus fuscatus*
 Brown Flycatcher *Muscicapa latirostris*
 Tickell's Thrush *Turdus unicolor*
 Yellow-browed Bunting *Emberiza chrysophrys*
 Chestnut Bunting *Emberiza rutila*
 Pallas's Reed Bunting *Emberiza pallasi*
 Pallas's Rosefinch *Carpodacus roseus*
 Daurian Jackdaw *Corvus dauricus*