

NOTES AND NEWS

Fall NEBBA Meeting—The annual meeting of NEBBA was held 15–17 September 1978 at Arcadia Wildlife Sanctuary, a Massachusetts Audubon Society Sanctuary in Easthampton, MA. At the Council Meeting on 15 Sept., 15 councilors and officers were present along with a number of visitors. Reports were read and approved from the Treasurer, Investment Committee, Editor of *Bird-Banding*, Mist Net Committee, and Bergstrom Research Committee. Details of these and any other aspects of the Council Meeting may be obtained from the Secretary, Ms. Howard.

The President was asked to form a Membership Committee which will seek means to increase membership. The 1961–70 Ten-year Index is now ready for printing; it should be available early in 1979. Probably the most momentous action was a unanimous decision of the Council and Officers to change the name of the journal from *Bird-Banding* to *Journal of Field Ornithology*. The change will become effective with Volume 51, No. 1, the Winter 1980 issue. No change in cover, format, or of the journal's emphases or content are anticipated with the name change. "A Journal of Ornithological Investigation" will continue to appear under the journal's new name as will "Formerly *Bird-Banding*."

At the Business Meeting (60 people present) on 16 September, the Nominating Committee's report of a slate of officers for the next year was accepted, and the following were elected:

<i>President</i>	Dr. Robert P. Yunick	<i>Councilors</i>	Elissa Landre
<i>Vice-president</i>	Mrs. Elise Lapham		Dr. George A. Clark, Jr.
<i>Secretary</i>	Deborah V. Howard		Dr. William H. Drury
<i>Treasurer</i>	Margaret Bon		Robert Shaw

A change in Bylaws (Article XV) was approved—the fiscal year of NEBBA will expire on 31 December of each year. Dr. Leon Kelso was unanimously elected Honorary Member of NEBBA (see separate account in this issue). Susan Drennan will replace George Clark as Chairman of the Bergstrom Research Committee.

Spring NEBBA Meeting—This annual meeting will be held at the Audubon Center, Greenwich, CT on 11–13 May 1979. Kathleen Anderson of Manomet Bird Observatory will be the program chairman.

Review Editor—After several years of faithful service, Dr. Bertram G. Murray, Jr. has resigned as Review Editor of the Recent Literature section of *Bird-Banding*. NEBBA extends its sincere gratitude to Dr. Murray for his contributions to this section. Dr. Edward Burtt, Jr. is the new Review Editor. He has already assembled a large review staff (see inside back cover), and we anticipate a fine continuation of this indispensable section of the journal.

International Symposium of the Vultures—This symposium, sponsored by the Western Foundation of Vertebrate Zoology, will be held 23–26 March 1979 at the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History. Information about the program may be obtained from SANFORD R. WILBUR, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1199 East Ojai Avenue, Ojai, CA 93023.

Jack-Pine Warbler Back Issues—As a service to ornithologists wishing to build or improve their libraries (either personal or institutional), *The Jack-Pine Warbler* is having a one-time sale of back issues. The sale will end 15 April 1979. There are two options:

1. You may purchase one copy of every available back issue from 1928 (*The Jack-Pine Warbler* began publication in 1926) to 1977 for \$15.00 plus postage. At the time of this writing, this includes 168 issues beginning with Fall 1928 and including complete volumes from 1938 to 1977 with the exception of 1951–1954 (six issues exhausted). Twenty issues, however, are represented by fewer than 10 copies (these are mostly prior to 1938 and between 1950 and 1954). Sets will be assembled on a first come, first served basis; later orders will receive fewer issues. If stocks are depleted below 125 issues, prospective purchasers will be notified.

2. Individual issues (1927-1977) may be purchased for \$.20 apiece with a \$1.00 minimum (postage extra).

Regular prices are \$.50-1.00 per issue (1928-1976) and \$2.50 (1977-1978). Both plans offer substantial savings. Single copy sale prices are all below one half price. Maximum savings, however, are available on sets; early purchasers will be saving more than \$70.00 per set and later purchasers only slightly less.

Your may order from MICHIGAN AUDUBON SOCIETY BOOKSHOP, 7000 North Westnedge, Kalamazoo, MI 49001. You will be billed.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

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 nonbreeding), etc. Any reprints or unpublished accounts would be appreciated. Please send to KATHRYN HERSON, *Biology Department, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI 49008*.

Wing-tagged Turkey Vultures—Sightings of and information about Turkey Vultures marked with blue, orange, or white wing tags, each with a letter and number, would be appreciated. The tags are about 3 × 6 in and are fastened to the patagium with a numbered, cattle ear tag. Birds are tagged on either the right or left wing, both dorsally and ventrally. Data requested include: tag color, letter, number and tag on left or right wing, date, time and place of sighting, activity of the bird and its proximity to other birds. Please send sighting data to: BIRD BANDING LABORATORY, *Office of Migratory Bird Management, Fish and Wildlife Service, Laurel, MD 20800* and/or SHEILA PARNES GABY, 6832 S.W. 68 St., S. Miami, FL 33143 (or call 305-665-2291).

Obituary—The scientific and ornithological worlds are saddened by the death in December 1978 of Alexander Wetmore. A gentleman and a scholar, Dr. Wetmore earned worldwide renown for his research on avian systematics and paleontology, his published papers spanning nearly 80 years.

HONORARY MEMBER

LEON H. KELSO

At the Fall NEBBA meeting on 16 September 1978 at Arcadia Wildlife Sanctuary, Northampton, MA, Dr. Leon Hugh Kelso was elected an Honorary Member. This award was made as an expression of gratitude for Dr. Kelso's many incisive reviews in the Recent Literature section of *Bird-Banding*. He first became a member of the review staff in 1964, and in nearly every issue since that time, he has contributed to the review section. The majority of his reviews have come from the Russian literature, often personally translated from journals and books scanned in the Library of Congress. Subjects have been varied, from zoogeography to physiology, ecology, plumages, migration, and the like. His personal research interests have long been with owls, and he is a co-author of the recent "Working Bibliography of Owls of the World."