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The Editor, *The Emu*.

Sir,—Referring to our Article on the Kangaroo Island Emu (*The Emu*, Volume XXVIII., part 1), we wish to state that the inverted commas should be placed after the word Museum on the 4th line of page 5, and not after the word Ostrich on the 6th line. The fact that the wings were copied from those of an Ostrich is our observation, and apparently had not previously been noticed.—Yours, etc.,

A. M. MORGAN.

J. SUTTON.

Meetings of Council of R.A.O.U.

The July meeting was held on Tuesday, the 10th, Dr. Leach occupying the chair. Arrangements for the holding of Congress at Canberra were discussed. Correspondence was received expressing satisfaction that the Federal Capital had been chosen, and supplying information which will help materially to make the function a success.

Capt. E. V. Sanderson, of New Zealand, wrote, resigning from the Union, because of the prominence given to collecting. The Council is composed of members of all shades of opinion, and it is claimed that collecting is not unduly favoured. It is felt that, with a more tolerant attitude on both sides, collectors and non-collectors can work together amicably for the betterment of the Union. Capt. Sanderson was asked to reconsider his resignation.

Mr. Bryant was appointed Assistant Editor.

At the August meeting, on the 14th, Mr. Ross acted as chairman. The Commissioner of Police at Hobart wrote,

stating that attention would be given to any raids likely to be made by collectors upon the Ground Parrots (*Pezoporus*) in Tasmania. The Chief Librarian, Melbourne, stated, in reply to a suggestion of the Council, that arrangements had been made for the Librarian to inspect the H. L. White library, with a view to purchase.

The Chief Inspector of Fisheries and Game enquired whether the Council recommended the issue of a permit to collect skins and eggs. It was decided to ask Mr. Arnold for further information as to the work he intended to do.

It was agreed to enter into a very satisfactory arrangement with Mr. Cayley for coloured plates for future issues of *The Emu*.

On September 11th, Dr. Leach occupied the chair. Further arrangements for Congress were considered, and any further action which may become necessary will be taken by a sub-committee. The fullest co-operation and assistance has been offered by the Federal authorities, and details as to the cost of transport and catering will be supplied to members.

The question of recommending the issue of a permit to Mr. Arnold was further discussed, and it was decided, on a majority vote, to recommend the issue of the permit desired.

A general discussion on the business to be submitted to the Congress showed several important matters awaited settlement. It was reported that a good delegation of members was likely to attend the Congress.

Annual Congress

The Annual Congress at Canberra, on November 20, promises to be very successful. A good attendance of members is assured, and those who have not had the privilege of seeing the Federal Capital Territory should hasten to take advantage of this unique opportunity of inspecting Australia's capital at its best.

Matters of importance to the economic welfare of Australia, to the protection of birds, to ornithology in general, and to the Royal Australasian Ornithologists' Union will be discussed.

The Federal Capital Commission, under Sir John Butters, is co-operating with the Union. Fuller details are being forwarded to members with the notice and business paper of the Congress, and the postal votes for the election of office-bearers.

Please note, that in order to join the New South Wales members at the camp at Port Stephens, the Congress has been fixed for November 20.

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