

## News and Notes

### INCREASED SUBSCRIPTION

Members are reminded of the increase in the annual subscription from 30/- to 40/-. A note to such effect was published in *The Emu* for November, 1959.

### APPRECIATION

The Council desires to record its gratitude to the Melbourne members of the Union who rendered assistance in connection with the recent change of office—to the second floor of 386 Flinders Lane, Melbourne.

### OFFICIAL CHECKLIST

The 'Checklist' is now out of print, and orders for copies cannot be satisfied.

### CAMP-OUT, 1960

No additional information is available regarding the proposed excursion to New Guinea, but further details will be published when known. Notification of intention to attend should be given to the Hon. General Secretary as soon as possible. The Council has decided to proceed with the project in the belief that a number of members will take advantage of the opportunity of visiting New Guinea under conditions not usually applicable.

### CONTRIBUTIONS IN HAND

A considerable quantity of material has been held over on account of demands on space. It was intended that part 2 of this volume would be issued soon after the publication of this present part, in order to absorb such material, but the indisposition of the Hon. Editor at present, which might necessitate his seeking 'leave' from editorial 'duties' for a period, could affect that decision.

### NATURAL HISTORY MEDALLION

The medallion for 1959 has been awarded to Mr. K. A. Hindwood, an award that will be met with acclaim by all members of the R.A.O.U.

### INCREASED PRINTING COSTS

A considerable increase in the cost of printing *The Emu* has been imposed at a most unfortunate time for the Union—immediately after the increase in subscription, the advantage of which will largely be offset. Economies will be necessary, and, in particular, fewer illustrations will be published. Only 'first-class' photographs should be submitted.