

Parrot, this bird seems to lack the yellow collar characteristic of these "collared parrots" of the genus *Barnardius*.

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Greetings From A.O.U.

Mr. D. Dickison, hon. general secretary R.A.O.U., was delighted to receive the following from Dr. T. S. Palmer, secretary American Ornithologists' Union:—

It was a great pleasure to receive the announcement of the meeting of the Royal Australasian Ornithologists' Union held in Canberra, November 20-22. By a curious coincidence, the meeting of the A.O.U. was held in Charleston, S.C., at practically the same time, but was preceded by our business meetings on November 19. At the business meeting on Monday evening it was voted to send greetings to the R.A.O.U., and it was a great pleasure to receive, within 48 hours, your reply, which was duly presented to the session on Thursday morning.

Our public meeting was followed by an excursion on Friday to Dewees Island, one of the places near Charleston which for a number of years has been the field of observation for some of the local collectors.

I am taking this opportunity of sending you copies of the announcements and programme of the meeting, which will give you some idea of the variety of papers presented, as well as the excursion and other features. I trust that your meeting was as successful and largely attended as was ours at Charleston, and I shall be glad to see the report giving the full details.

Our next meeting will be held in Philadelphia, some time next November probably, although the exact date has been left to the Local Committee on Arrangements. I am wondering whether the dates of the two meetings will happen to coincide again.

Very cordially yours,

T. S. PALMER, Secretary.