# **News and Notes**

#### APPOINTMENTS

Professor Ernst Mayr has been appointed Director of the Museum of Comparative Zoology at Harvard College in succession to Dr. Alfred S. Romer. Professor Mayr was appointed in 1953 to an Alexander Agassiz professorship at the museum and prior to that he was curator of the Whitney-Rothschild Collections at the American Museum of Natural History, New York.
Dr. J. A. Keast has resigned from the curatorship of

birds, reptiles and amphibia at the Australian Museum, Sydney, to become Professor of Vertebrate Zoology at Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada.

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### Japanese Banding Scheme

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