ADDENDA and CORRIGENDUM

Some wader observations from New Guinea: Emu 66: 32.

An important paper by Hoogerwerf (Bull. Br. Orn. Club 84: 120-124, 142-146) was overlooked when writing this note. In it Hoogerwerf had already recorded the first New Guinea record for the Marsh Sandpiper Tringa stagnatilis and for various other species of wader.

Some distribution notes on New Guinea Highland birds: Emu 67.

Page 212. The impression is given, lines 11-12, that Orangerie Bay is in West Irian; it is in south-eastern Papua near the tip of the New Guinea mainland.

Page 214. Insert after line 4: A large population of Reed Warblers Acro-cephalus arundinaceus was also found in unbrowsed Elephant Grass which offered a habitat similar to that of tall reeds. H. L. BELL.

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Emu 67, page 249, Add the following:

Notices of Motion

Item 7a: Speaking in support of Items 7a and 7b, Mr Marchant stated that the A.C.T. Branch considered that the Union should have a policy and a programme for research work. Shortcomings in this direction had been reviewed critically but constructively. Mr Gellibrand read a statement authorized by Council which expressed general agreement with the proposals but considered that their scope should be widened. It recommended the appointment of a small but representative committee to examine the proposals. The motion was carried.

Item 7b: The following amendment was moved by Dr van Tets and seconded by Mr Rowley: 'that a committee under the chairmanship of Mr K. A. Hindwood and consisting of Dr H. J. Frith, Dr D. F. Dorward and Mr D. G. Thomas (or suitable substitutes in the event of any of these becoming unavailable) be set up to make recommendations before the next

Congress for:

(i) implementing the first motion and

(ii) any organizational changes within the Union

and that the report of this committee be submitted to all members of Council for presentation to the next Congress.

Another amendment was moved by Mr Everett and seconded by Miss D. O'Grady 'that the recommendations of the committee be referred to Council for consideration'. Mr Marchant said that the intention of the motion was that the committee's report would be submitted to all members of Council. Mr Cooper agreed that both amendments embodied the same intention. Mr Everett withdrew his amendment with the permission of the seconder. The amendment by Dr van Tets and Mr Rowley was carried. The motion as amended was then put to the vote and carried.

Items 7c and 7d: Mr Jack stated that these matters were primarily the concern of the Queensland Branch and invited Mr Roff to comment on the proposals. In response, Mr Roff stated that the Townsville Town Common was subject to certain grazing rights and it would be difficult to proclaim the whole area a wildfowl sanctuary. The future of the Common was at present under departmental consideration. It was resolved, on the motion of Messrs Everett and Drain, that the proposals be referred to Mr Jack in his capacity as the Conservation Secretary for Queensland.

Mr Jack announced details of the programme arranged for the following

day and thanked members and visitors for their attendance.

The meeting closed at 12 noon.