

COMINGS & GOINGS

The R.V. Benjamin left this week for the Secas and Contreras Islands in the Gulf of Chiriqui, where GENE MONTGOMERY will be conducting a seabird census and IRA RUBINOFF will be looking at sea snakes and examining possibilities for conservation. They will be back Sept. 1st.

MARTIN MOYNIHAN will be leaving on September 4 for the South Pacific and India, in order to continue with his work on cephalopod behavior. The result of this research will be incorporated in a book he is preparing for Indiana University Press on communication among cephalopods.

OLGA F. LINARES will be leaving on September 4, to teach in the Department of Anthropology at Stanford University, where she will be giving two courses. One of the courses is an advanced anthropology graduate seminar on the organization of agrarian production in West African Society, and the other is a major's lecture course on recent advances in prehistory for the Human Biology Program.

FRANK MORRIS, will be leaving on Sunday, August 29 on official business to Washington, D.C. to attend matters relating to the year-end budget at the Smithsonian.

During this past week, CYNTHIA SAGERS and ROSEMARY DRAPACHO arrived from the U.S. to work on the Hubbell Mapping Project on BCI.

YOSIAKI ITÔ, from Nagoya University* will be arriving tonight. Dr. Itô will be staying for two months on BCI to conduct a study on social Hymenoptera and other eusocial or subsocial insects.

Also arriving tonight is SANDRA GILCHRIST, to begin her Smithsonian Postdoctoral year at STRI. She will be working at Naos.

SEMINAR NEWS

The luncheon seminar on Tuesday, August 31, will be given by Dr. Yosiaki Itô (see above), who will speak on:

Ecology and Behavior of
Social Wasps

This seminar will be at Ancon.

*Japan

INFORMATION WANTED ON INVERTEBRATE
EXTINCTIONS

N.M. Collins is currently compiling the Invertebrate Red Data Book as a part of the Species Conservation Monitoring Unit of the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN). He would like any records of invertebrate species that are in danger of complete, not local, extinction. This information can be sent to him at the following address:

219 (c) Huntington Rd.
Cambridge, CB3 0DL
United Kingdom

OTS GRANTS

Announcements have been received regarding grants that are offered by the Organization for Tropical Studies. These include 1) NOYES Fellowships for 6-12 months of field research in Costa Rica. Awards cover round-trip airfare, room & board, and an allowance to cover supplies, equipment, local travel and subsistence. Alumni of OTS courses or researchers at OTS Institution with pertinent tropical experience and currently active in a Ph.D. program, or having earned the Ph.D. degree within the past 3 years, are eligible to apply.

2) OTS Pilot Research Awards for participants in OTS Courses. These can be for post-course projects initiated immediately after OTS course or post-course projects postponed up to 12 months after course. Specifics are different depending on if project is initiated immediately after course or postponed as stated above. For further information on these and the Noyes fellowships please check bulletin boards at your facility.

NOTES OF INTEREST

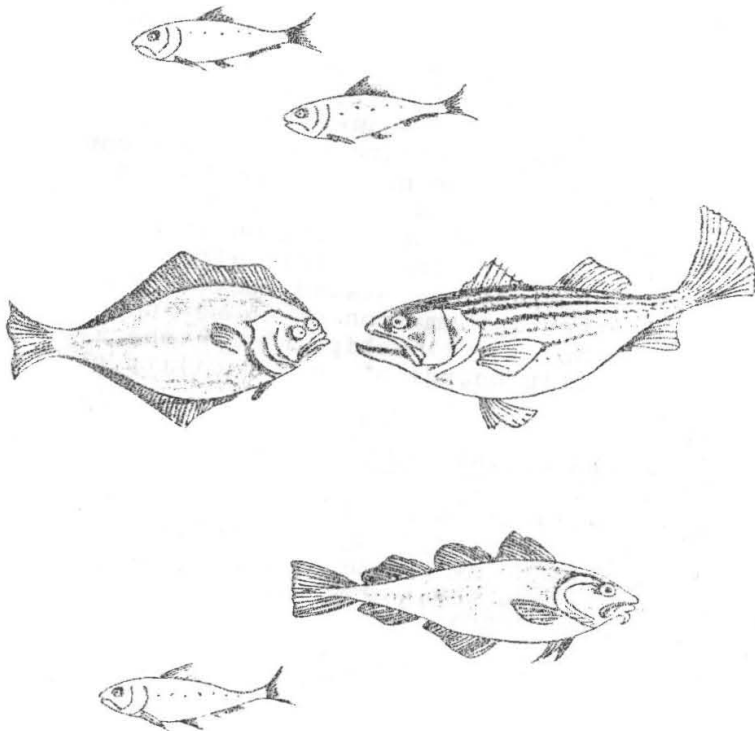
An article on the BCNM, "A jungle kept for study", by Ira Rubinoff and Nicholas Smythe appeared in the last issue of NEW SCIENTIST (of 19 August 1982).

Research done at STRI was well represented at the recent Annual Meetings in Raleigh, North Carolina, of the Society for the Study of Reptiles and Amphibians - Herpetologists League with 4 papers on iguanas by B. Bock, K. Troyer and S. Rand, and 2 on frogs by M. Ryan and K. Wells.

(MORE ON BACK)

The Ninth Congress of the International Union for the Study of Social Insects (IUSSI), held for the first time in the US, in Boulder, Colorado, from August 9-13, was attended by many past and present STRI researchers. The Proceeding of this Congress feature contributions by such STRI notables as Mary Jane West-Eberhard, Barbara Thorne, Nigel Franks, D. Roubik, D. Windsor, Raghavendra Gadagkar, Leslie Johnson, Lynn Siri. The next congress will be in four years, in Munich, Germany.

Panama's Minister of Agricultural Development, Frank Omar Perez, recently designated Everardo Bertoli as the new Director of RENARE (the National Directorate of Renewable Natural Resources). The new Director of RENARE, replaces Irving Diaz, who held this position for the last 10 years. Bertoli has been Assistant Director of the Instituto de Mercadeo Agropecuario, and has also previously held other government posts.



Handel Puck

"For centuries, man has fished these waters—apparently with no conception of our cumulative anger."

FOR SALE: Phillips 12" diagonal black & white T.V.set. Only 2 months old, and purchased as computer monitor with VHF. A real bargain at \$80.00. If interested please call 285-4182.

AVAILABLE FOR LABOR DAY WEEKEND

September 3-6, beach house at Gorgona. Sleeps at least 10 persons. \$125. If interested, please contact Vielka Vergel, 26-2178.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY

Monday, September 6 (Labor Day -U.S. will be a holiday for STRI employees.

DEPARTMENT OF CLARIFICATION
(FEDERAL DIVISION)

[Memo distributed to employees at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard]

HOLIDAY PAY

1. For holiday purposes, Sunday is always Sunday.
2. The first work day after "J" days is always considered Monday, and the last work day before "J" days is always considered Friday.
 - a. If a person's "J" days are Wednesday and Thursday Tuesday becomes Friday and Friday becomes Monday.
3. The first "J" day is considered Saturday and the second "J" day is considered Sunday, except where Sunday is involved.
 - a. Where we "J" a four day weekend, Friday becomes the man's Saturday, Saturday becomes the man's Sunday, Sunday is always Sunday. Monday becomes the man's Saturday.
4. If a holiday falls on a Saturday it is celebrated the preceding Friday, and if a holiday falls on a Sunday it is celebrated the following Monday.
 - a. If a person's "J" days are Wednesday and Thursday and the holiday falls on Wednesday, it would be celebrated on Tuesday which is really Friday, and if the holiday falls on Thursday it would be celebrated on Friday which is really Monday.