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Behaviour of White-necked Heron.—On May 18, 1966, while standing near the bank of the Murray river at Corowa, N.S.W. I watched a White-necked Heron, Ardea pacifica, come into view and drop to the edge of the water. On landing it immediately put its bill into the shallow water and picked up a small stick which looked approximately 5-6 inches long. It opened its bill, the stick dropped into the water, and it immediately put its bill into the water again and lifted up another stick, which it dropped again. This was repeated sixteen times in quick succession, and there appeared to be at least three different sticks used, judging from their different shapes. The bird stopped and straight away flew twenty yards along the river's edge, and on landing started hunting for food.

I was standing still in clear view all the time, and presumably the bird saw me when it came into my sight.—Mrs E. M. McCUL-LOCH, 6 Bullen Avenue, Mitcham, Victoria.

## CORRIGENDUM

In the last issue of The Emu, Vol. 66, p. 328, in Plate 20 illustrating the paper, Australian Pigeons: their affinities and status, by Derek Goodwin, the bowing Streptopelia chinensis was reproduced at an incorrect angle. The outermost (lowest) toe of the bird should be approximately horizontal and its bill at an angle of about 70 degrees to the substrate.