

**THE TEREK SANDPIPER
A CONFIRMED S.A. RECORD**

On December 12, 1967, in company with Mrs. L. Fagg and Miss G. Rouse I observed two birds of the above species at the I.C.I. Saltfields, north of Saint Kilda. Approaching No. 1 Pumping Station I stopped the car to observe a small group of waders standing in the shallow water of the salt pan. My attention was drawn to two waders running rapidly along the water's edge. Viewed through 7 x 50 binoculars the bird in focus compared in size with that of a Curlew Sandpiper, but had orange-red legs and a long, dark, upcurved bill. Both birds were very active, running with a crouched appearance in search of food. Observing these waders at close range for a considerable time I had no difficulty in identifying them as Terek Sandpipers (*Tringa cinerea*). Several colour transparencies taken with a 400 mm. telephoto lens further confirm this interesting South Australian record. See page 2.

The Terek Sandpiper is very well illustrated in *The Birds of Japan* by Keisuke Kobayasha (Plate 47, No. 313).

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PHOTOGRAPHS:

Bottom right: TEREK SANDPIPER (*Tringa cinerea*). See page 23.

From a colour transparency by Muriel R. Daley.