

BIRD NOTES

BEAUTIFUL FIRETAILS ON KANGAROO ISLAND—Mr. D. J. Vincent records this species (*Emblema bella*) on the northwest coast (*South Aust. Ornith.*, 26, 1971, p. 4). I have frequently seen Beautiful Firetails on the eastern end of the island, from Cuttle Fish Bay (about five miles east of Pennesshaw) to Cape Willoughby. They are noted principally in areas where stands of Sheoak (*Casuarina stricta*) and Bulloak (*Casuarina* sp.) occur. But I have found them nesting in tea trees, growing in water, some two miles from *Casuarina* stands. The species could not be termed rare in this area. A. F. C. LASHMAR.